



KENT ESTUARY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

*Our Lady of Lourdes, Arnside
St Charles & St Cuthbert, Grange
Christ the King, Milnthorpe*

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3rd SUNDAY of ADVENT Gaudete Sunday : 12th December 2021

This Sunday's Scripture

Gaudete or Rejoicing Sunday. The scriptures are hopeful. Rejoice because God is expected. He is on our side to fight for us against the evils that threaten us; He is near, in our midst; and he will be revealed to those who expect Him; He will be Good News because He will light up our lives with a new Spirit and a fire in our hearts. Rejoice!

Keeping Faith



Advent Preparations: We are going to set the scene for Christmas. We build the crib throughout Advent. The crib represents our hearts, and we are going to put Jesus at the centre of it. The weather is cold, so the local shepherds come to the crib for shelter. They represent the ordinary people, like us, who are all invited by a generous God to come close to Him. Let us come to the manger and try to make the Mass of Christmas the centre of our festivities, however inconvenient it may be. Also Mary and Joseph begin their journey, all converging on the one place foretold by the scriptures.

The Gift:

Sunday 12th December:

- Final Session: 10:30am-11:40am St Charles, Grange
- Session 5: 4.30pm-5.30pm Christ the King, Milnthorpe

This week's parish intercession is: Dear God, come to create a new world, where justice and peace may find a home.

Grange: Morning Prayer 10am Thursdays and Fridays: Prayer is followed by Rosary on Thursdays and by Adoration (Exposition) on Fridays.

Grange: Christian Meditation Prayer Group: (Contemplative Prayer)
Thursday 16th December 2.00pm – 3.00pm. All welcome.

Keeping Contact

Please Look at the Website for photographs of recent social events!

Streaming: I think the new streaming of Masses and services is now settling down reliably. Please visit our website: www.kentestuarycatholicchurches.co.uk and follow the instructions on the homepage for 'live streaming'.

Also available on the Bishops Conference guide to streaming:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/health-social-care/coronavirus-guidelines/online-mass-directory/>

Masses are broadcasted at 10am Monday to Saturday (see Mass list showing where); and Sunday 9.00am Grange; 10.30am Milnthorpe. The Christmas Masses 7.00pm Christmas Eve at Milnthorpe and Christmas Day 9.30 am at Grange will also be broadcasted.

IMPORTANT, PLEASE NOTE: We are changing our Internet Service Provider shortly. To contact Fr Philip for pastoral and personal matters, please now use the following email: kentestuarycatholicchurches@gmail.com. For all business matters, continue with ctkollcc@gmail.com

Keeping Charity

Please pray for the sick of our parishes:

Geoff Critchley, Michael Carter, Pam Gee, Stella Naylon, Josie Buckley, Margaret Vincent, Brian Mills, Eileen Parker, Christine McIvor, Chris Browne, Libby Stretton, Jenny Hodgkinson, Kathleen Lavin, David James, Angela Taylor, Philip Barry, Kath Barnes, Cathy Mayes, Ron Muskett, Martin Hunt.

Also please pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

S.V.P. Give Life this Christmas

We are appealing for funds for the starving babies of Sudan. It costs approximately £60 to feed a child for one year, but any amount is welcome. You will get a certificate which you can either keep, or give as a Christmas card/present. For more information, please ring Liz Lewis on 34017.

World Gifts: Have a CAFOD World Gift under the tree. CAFOD's virtual charity gifts help transform the lives of families living in poverty. Buy online at cafod.org.uk/worldgifts or pick up a catalogue.

Mission Boxes Grange: Eric will collect outstanding Mission Boxes this Sunday 12th December. Many thanks.

Parish World Gift:

Please help “Christ the King” raise money to buy a “Community Water Supply” from CAFOD World Gifts. This fantastic gift can help a remote, vulnerable community establish their own supply of clean, safe water. Let us use the season of Advent to show support for those in some of the World’s poorest communities.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS IN ST. CHARLES' CHURCH

(Poinsettias) Anyone who wishes to donate a poinsettia plant in memory of a loved one as part of the floral decorations in St. Charles' church, please bring to church on Wednesday 22nd, Thursday 23rd or Friday 24th December and leave in St. Joseph's chapel. There will be a remembrance list at the back of church for names of loved ones to be written. Thank you.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Arnside

Christmas Masses – for a donation, votive candles available in the name of family or friends, living or dead. All donations will be given to the Lancaster and District Homeless Action Service.

Arnside Advent Adoration – Tuesdays 2.30pm – 3.00pm.

CAROLS AND READINGS : 7pm on Tues 21st December at CTK, followed by seasonal refreshments.

Please invite a friend - wear something festive, especially children? (Suggestion with ref to covid: consider doing a flow test beforehand? Tests are quick, simple, and free from any pharmacy). If you NEED or CAN OFFER a lift please contact:

Greg (LOL) - 07776 252937 tagneygreg@gmail.com

Isabel (StCs) - 07773 927240 isabelshelly1@gmail.com

Deirdre (CTK) - 07468 535830 djtrueman56@btinternet.com

Paul Barton CDs – Paul, our organist at Christ The King, has recorded another album and is offering copies for a £10 donation to raise funds for the homeless /local foodbank. His latest album, ‘Always’, has a mix of popular, Latin American and classical music. See Paul after 10.30am Sunday Mass at CTK or call him on 07974 349955 if you're interested.

ST. CHARLES 100 CLUB

October: £20 Liz Pryzlucki £12 Pina Lewis

November: £20 Patrick Lowe £12 Lois Quinn

December: £20 Sheila Parry £12 Ann Thorpe

£12 subscriptions for 2022 now due by cheque please in favour of 'St. Charles Social Committee' to me by hand at Sunday Mass or to: 'Hilltop', Cardrona Court, G.o.S., LA11 7AW. Thank you for your continuing support. *Ken Taylor*

Grange, Christmas Tree Festival at St Paul's Church: Remains open from Friday 3rd December to Thursday 30th December. Well worth a visit!

Parish Diary:

Sun	12 Dec			3 rd SUNDAY of ADVENT
Sun	12 Dec	10.30-11.40am	Grange	The Gift Session 6 (final)
Sun	12 Dec	4.30-5.40pm	Milnthorpe	The Gift Session 5
Sun	19 Dec			4 th SUNDAY of ADVENT
Tues	21 Dec	7.00pm	Milnthorpe	Carols and Readings

CHRISTMAS MASSES:				
Friday	24 Dec	7.00pm Vigil Mass Milnthorpe		
Saturday	25 Dec	9.30am Grange		
Saturday	25 Dec	11.00am Arnside		
Sunday	26 Dec	9.30am Grange		
Sunday	26 Dec	10.30am Milnthorpe		
Sunday	26 Dec	11.00am Arnside		

MASSES AND INTENTIONS:

THIRD SUNDAY of ADVENT (Year C) : Gaudete Sunday

Sat Vigil	11 Dec	5.30pm	Arnside	Benson, Barton & Noble Families RIP
Sun	12 Dec	9.00am	Grange	People of the Parish
Sun	12 Dec	10.30am	Milnthorpe	People of the Parish
Mon	13 Dec	10.00am	Grange	Jane Tagney RIP
Tues	14 Dec	10.00am	Grange	Special Intention (LL)
Wed	15 Dec	10.00am	Grange	Private Intention
Thurs	16 Dec	10.00am	Arnside	Private Intention
Thurs	16 Dec	10.00am	Milnthorpe	Private Intention
Fri	17 Dec	10.00am	Milnthorpe	Private Intention
Sat	18 Dec	10.00am	Grange	Private Intention

FOURTH SUNDAY of ADVENT (Year C)

Sat Vigil	18 Dec	5.30pm	Arnside	Private Intention
Sun	19 Dec	9.00am	Grange	People of the Parish
Sun	19 Dec	10.30am	Milnthorpe	People of the Parish

Masses and other services streamed at times advertised.

- Masses as advertised. Sunday Masses as usual. No booking needed. Masses streamed from Grange Monday Tuesday Wednesday and Saturday at 10am and Sunday 9am; from Milnthorpe Thursday and Friday 10am and Sunday 10.30am.
- Confessions: Tues: 9.30am – 9.50am Grange; Thurs: 9.30am – 9.50am Arnside; Fri: 9.30am – 9.50am Milnthorpe. Also by arrangement with Fr. Philip.

NOTE: Because of rules applying in individual Homes, pastoral visits to Rest Homes and Nursing Homes may be restricted (except in an emergency).

Clergy: Parish Priest Fr Philip Smith Tel 015395 32731

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