



KENT ESTUARY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

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

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Kent Estuary Catholic Churches.*

THIRD SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (B) : 24th January 2021

Amaze the Young People in your family, go ‘Zooming’! Keeping contact is vital. We have understood the value of electronic communication in the covid pandemic. Our parishes cover a huge area from near Newby Bridge in the West, to the M6 Motorway in the East and South to the Lancaster Cumbria border. We need as many people as possible to take the plunge and go videoconferencing (‘Zooming’). (See below)

The Holy Spirit is the hidden power behind the church and in your life of faith. It is vital that we become more familiar with His working and consciously use His power, or else the faith withers. You may have an experience of the Spirit, which is unrecognised. That’s why we are having a series of testimonies to faith to highlight how the Holy Spirit works. (see below)

The Website is being renewed and revitalised. It helps us ‘Keep Contact’ But we need your (helpful) comments). (see below) Please also note that those without the internet are not second-class parishioners. Your prayer and devotion is greatly valued. Do you get our weekly newsletter in printed form?

Keeping Faith

This Sunday’s Scripture:

Repent and believe the Good News; the kingdom of God is close at hand. We repent not only of a wrongful way of life, which leads us away from God, but also of anything that distracts or leads us away from giving true value to God and his rule in our lives, or leads us to distrust the goodness of God. Remember God wants the fullness of life for us.

Ordinary People & the Holy Spirit No. 3:

The Holy Spirit is often the overlooked person of the Trinity. Yet He is the power behind the church. Without the Spirit the church decays and people lose heart. All recent Popes have begged ordinary Catholics to be more open to the Spirit.

Testimony to the work of the Holy Spirit: My introduction to the Holy Spirit was 35 years ago. I was at an Evangelical Church in Ulverston. Some people were on the floor and I felt quite scared. I have never experienced that particular phenomenon of the Holy Spirit. However what I did experience was a strong but gentle breeze. It seemed to envelop me with a deep love and peace. Now, 35 years on when I pray to Him, He still comes as that peaceful, gentle breeze - comforting, guiding, and helping me with all the situations in my life.

Have You Experienced the Holy Spirit? Would you be prepared to share it? Please write to Marian at the Parish Office or e-mail it. We need to share our faith experiences to encourage each other on our faith journey.

Christian Unity. Jesus prays: Jesus shows his desire that all believers should be as one, just as Jesus is one with his Father. "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me". The Unity week ends Monday. Please pray for unity.

Keeping Contact: Do you know of any parishioner who has been overlooked? Please contact the parish office or Sheelagh Brown of the SVP 015395 83750.

Website renewed. What do you think of our newly re-organised website? It will run side by side with the older one for a short time (Don't confuse the two). The temporary reference of the website is <https://kentestuarywebsite.wixsite.com/catholicchurches> Please copy into your browser to view. Any (constructive) comments please refer to Eleanor at kentestuarywebsite@gmail.com It is work in progress.

Definition of a parish website: "A tool to help parishioners grow outside of their Sunday obligation and invite onlookers into a joyful Christ-centred community".

Keeping Charity

SVP. I have sent your donation for the Sudan babies to our twinnage officer, and have received from him a letter of congratulations, and a certificate. The exchange rate must be in our favour at present, as he tells me we have raised enough to feed 30 babies for the next twelve months. I am highly delighted, and so should we all be, for this beacon of hope in the midst of this current darkness. Who knows what these children will turn out to be when they are grown. There are so many possibilities you have given them by saving their lives at this stage. Well done to all who contributed. Liz Lewis

ST CHARLES 100 CLUB

Many thanks to all those who paid before the end of December and will be entered in the prompt payment bonus draw. Plus a polite reminder to those of you who have yet to pay! By cheque for £12 please in favour of St Charles Social Committee. Ken Taylor, Hilltop, Cardrona Court, G-o-S, LA11 7AW.

Please pray for the sick of our parishes:

Geoff Critchley, Nick Drake-Lee, Michael Carter, Pam Gee, Stella Naylon, Josie Buckley, Margaret Vincent, Brian Mills, Eileen Parker, Christine McIvor, Philip Barry, Chris Browne, Libby Stretton, Jenny Hodgkinson, Kathleen Lavin, Jean McQueen, Angela Nottingham, Alan Wild, Gerry Gibbons.

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

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Sat	23 rd Jan	5.30pm	Arnside	NO PUBLIC MASS
Sun	24 th Jan	9.00am	Grange	NO PUBLIC MASS
Sun	24 th Jan	10.30am	Milnthorpe	NO PUBLIC MASS
Sun	24 th Jan	11.00am*	(Broadcasted)	People of the Parish
Mon	25 th Jan	11.00am*	(Broadcasted)	People of the Parish
Tues	26 th Jan	9.30am	Grange	NO PUBLIC MASS
Tues	26 th Jan	11.00am*	(Broadcasted)	Vee Jones RIP
Wed	27 th Jan	11.00am*	(Broadcasted)	Benefactors (G)
Thurs	28 th Jan	9.30am	Arnside	NO PUBLIC MASS
Thurs	28 th Jan	11.00am*	(Broadcasted)	Benefactors (M&A)
Fri	29 th Jan	9.30am	Milnthorpe	NO PUBLIC MASS
Fri	29 th Jan	11.00am*	(Broadcasted)	Private Intention
Sat	30 th Jan	11.00am*	(Broadcasted)	Private Intention

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

Sat	30 th Jan	5.30pm	Arnside	NO PUBLIC MASS
Sun	31 st Jan	9.00am	Grange	NO PUBLIC MASS
Sun	31 st Jan	10.30am	Milnthorpe	NO PUBLIC MASS
Sun	31 st Jan	11.00am*	(Broadcasted)	People of the Parish

CORONAVIRUS

*** During the lockdown, no public Masses. The above Masses will be celebrated in private and broadcasted at 11.00am.**

Confessions: by arrangement with Fr. Philip. The present regulations prevent opening the church for confession in the usual way.

THE FOLLOWING ARE DISCONTINUED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

- **Celebration of Office and private prayer in the Church**
- **Rest Home & Nursing Home visits (except in an emergency)**
- **Private house visits (except in emergency)**

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