

Diary

2nd -4th September This is St. Mary's weekend for 'Quarant Ore' 40 hours of exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. If you would like to donate an offering for flowers for the altar, please give it to Bill.

The Big Walk: 9th – 11th September

Our annual pilgrimage to join the diocesan pilgrimage at the Shrine of Our Lady, Cleator. A group of young people, aged 16 and over, will walk across the Lake district and through Ennerdale valley, praying and sharing their faith amidst some of the most beautiful scenery in the U.H. Places are limited, £70 per person.

Young Adults' Retreat: 28th – 30th October

A new venture for the youth service, an open retreat at Castlerigg for young adults (sixth form and older). An Opportunity for our young people to come together and discover more about their faith alongside others of their own age. £65 per person.

www.castleriggmanor.co.uk/yatm-events

The annual pilgrimage to the Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Cleator will be on Sunday 11th September. The principal celebrant and preacher will be Bishop Michael Campbell. Tea consisting of ham salad, homemade cake, tea or coffee will be served in the Civic Hall at Cleator Moor at a cost of £8.50 per head. Poster in the porch.

ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS

For 28th August 2016

No.223 J Watthey £ 150
No. 76 Jo Wright £75

LAST SUNDAY

Mass Attendance: **153**

8:30 – 61

10:30 – 92

Offertory: £519.62

Candles: £158.31

Books/Papers:

St. Anthony: £36.85

Building Fund: £55.97

World Needy: £39.29

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Week beginning 11th September

Church Cleaning

Kathleen McGinley Group

Children's Liturgy

Judith & Maureen

Refreshments after Mass

No named group



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Priest: **Fr. Michael Murphy**

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Sunday Mass 8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.

Weekdays except Mondays: 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer, 10 a.m. Mass

Tuesday: 6:40 p.m. Rosary, 7 p.m. Mass

Mondays: 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer, 10 a.m. Celebration of the Word

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): **Saturday 10:30-11 a.m.**

Adoration of the Holy Eucharist: **Saturday 10:30-11 a.m.**

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4th September 2016

God of all ages, you call the Church to keep watch in the world and to discern the signs of the times.

Grant us the wisdom which your Spirit bestows, that with courage we may proclaim your prophetic word and complete the work that you have set before us.

We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

Sunday 4th September 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m.	Barbara Brown (J.& A.M.)
	10.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
MONDAY 5th	11.00 a.m.	Funeral Mass for Phyllis Hadgraft
TUESDAY 6th	7.00 p.m.	Raymond & Mary Madij (A.M.)
WEDNESDAY 7th	10.00 a.m.	Dennis Halloran 31 st Wedding Anniversary (J.H.)
THURSDAY 8th Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	10.00 a.m.	Terence McCartney Birthday Memories for 31 st August (M.McC.)
FRIDAY 9th	10.00 a.m.	Jim & Wyn Bellamy Golden Wedding (J.&W.B.)
SATURDAY 10th	10.00 a.m.	Richard Jones Birthday Memories (C.& P.J.)
Next Sunday 11th 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m.	Catherine "Renie" Sharp (G.S.)
	10.30 a.m.	People of the Parish

Please remember in your prayers



»**all the sick**, especially: Anne Baines, Elsie Clapp, Patsy Coll, Catherine Dale, Marianne Delaney, Teresa Drake, Laura Finley, Peter Fogg, Marion Gerrard, Joseph Higgins, Mary Holden, June Jagger, Alison Lyon, Gerry McCaul, Michael O'Sullivan, Maria Romanowska, Trevor Sandford, Mary Schon, Joe Scott, Marie Slater, Mark Surelock, Winifred White,

»**the housebound and those in care**, especially: David Ball, Peggie Ball, Thomas Ball, Bessie Burns, Mary Davies, John Donnelly, Florrie Garrett, Brenda McCaul, Walter Myerscough, Marjorie Richardson, Doris Roberts, Monica Syms, P. Warwick



>>**those who have died recently**: Phyllis Hadgraft, Pastor Steve Bond, Anthony Garland

and also those whose anniversaries are this coming week: Agnes & Will Crookall, Robert Carter, Catherine Sharp, Coleman Kenny, Mary Wilson, William O'Neill, Mary Frances Lennox, Edna Benson, John O'Brien, Mary Prince, Jack Galvin, Wilfred Carter, Margaret Anthony

THE WORD AHEAD - Next Sunday's Gospel

Read **The Gospel for Sunday 11th Sept. 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Luke 15:1-32 Forgiveness

Reflect **After spending a few minutes considering this Gospel, continue by reading Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection.**

In today's Gospel St Luke recounts three particularly attractive stories about forgiveness. The first two form a typical Lukan pair. First he tells the story of the lost sheep, which also occurs in St Matthew's Gospel account. Luke, however, places the accent on the joy in heaven at the return of the sinner. Then, to the story of the man looking for his sheep, Luke adds the story of a woman looking for her lost coin. He is always careful to show that women have an equal part in the Kingdom with men. So he deliberately pairs Zechariah and Mary, Simeon and Anna, Jairus' daughter raised to life with the Widow of Naim's son, and so on. The main story today, however, is the Prodigal Son, told with all Luke's love, artistry and delicacy of character-study. In the full version of this Gospel, we hear of the wastrel son who goes back home simply because he is hungry; of the loving father perpetually on the look-out, running to meet the son, interrupting the carefully prepared speech and pampering the returned young dissolute; the disgruntled stay-at-home who invents slanders about the other's 'loose women' and is gently corrected by his father's reminder that he is 'your brother'. b

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

Did you know we are on Facebook? St. Mary's Church Fleetwood

Some videos of the Folk Group and the interior of the church. Thank you, Matthew Calendars and Mugs celebrating St. Mary's 150th Anniversary are on sale after Masses. Calendars £5, Mugs £4

There are new lists available at the back of church for **Eucharistic Ministers Raffle tickets for the Christmas Fair** are now on sale each weekend. Please take some to sell to family and friends.

Quarant Ore is a special time for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament which will be exposed after Mass on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Can you please ensure that the church is not left empty during the day and if you can spare 15 minutes for a visit please put your name on the list at the back of church.