

St Mary's, Cleator & St Joseph's, Frizington

Christ is life, we exist to bring His life to our part of God's creation

23rd March 2025 - Third Sunday in Lent (C)

Masses - St Mary's, Cleator

Streamed on www.mcn.live and Facebook

Sat (22nd) 5.30pm: Frank Byrne

Sun (23rd) 10.30am: People of the Parish

Mon (24th) 9.10am: Morning Prayer

Feast of the Annunciation

Tue (25th) 9.10am: Ned Toole

Wed (26th) 7.00pm: Joe Dalton

Thurs (27th) 9.10am: Special Intention

Fri (28th) 10.00am: Requiem: Adrian Farrer

Sat (29th) 5.30pm: Louisa Cummings Botos

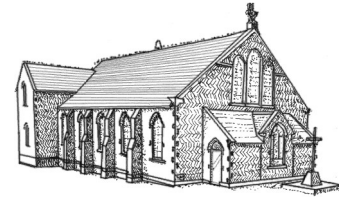
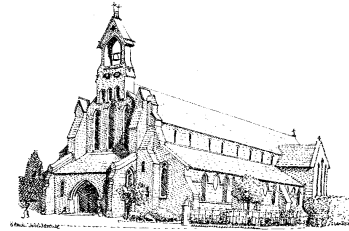
Sun (30th) 10.30am: Thelma Whittam

St Joseph's - Frizington

Sun (23rd) 9.00am: Sadie Wilson

Wed (26th) 10.00am: Mason Family

Sun (30th) 9.00am: Ellen Riley



Confessions

St Mary's: Sat 4.45pm - 5.15pm
St Joseph's: Wed 10.30am

Tea & Coffee after 10.30am mass in St Mary's Parish Room every Sunday. St Josephs after 9.00am mass every **first Sunday of the month**, all are welcome.

Your prayers are asked for: **Fred Mason Jnr**, and for all those in the parish who are sick or anxious. For all those who have died recently, and those in our **Book of Remembrance** and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Make a Good Lent - Lent is a time to give, give up and pray. Consider how you may increase your giving to those in need. Regain control of your life by fasting from unnecessary food. Pray more earnestly each day, consider going to weekday mass and Stations of the Cross.

Stations of the Cross St Mary's every Friday at 7.00pm.

Ecumenical Lenten Lunch - Soup and a roll, will be served in Cleator Moor Methodist Church Hall Wednesday's 12th, 19th, 26th March and 2nd and 9th of April 12 noon to 1pm. A minimum donation of £4 will be much appreciated. All donations will be divided between Cafod and Christian Aid. All are welcome.

A Day of Reflection on the Jubilee Year - Saturday 5th April 11am to 3.30pm at Our Lady & St Michaels Church Banklands Workington. Keynote speakers are Bishop Paul Swarbrick and Sr Margaret Atkins, with workshops led by CAFOD and Lancaster Faith and Justice Commission.

Foodbank - Thanks for the donations of £20 and £10.

Sunday Coffee Morning - The sum raised was £262.20

Parish Council - There will be a meeting on Wednesday 26th March at 6.00pm in the Parish Room.

Family Mass - Next Sunday's 10.30am mass will be a Family mass involving the children that are preparing for their First Holy Communion.

Prepare for your funeral - When the day comes for your funeral. (as it will for all of us!) Family members may not be sure what arrangements you would want. There are leaflets at the back of church that could be a great help.

School Governors - Our schools need good governors could you help?

The Priory Club

Tuesday 15th April

10.30am to 12.30pm

All welcome

£3 includes tea/coffee and biscuit

A Gift Aid tax reclaim will be submitted shortly to HMRC. Please notify us if you are no longer a taxpayer or you paid insufficient tax during 2024/25 to cover the tax, that will be reclaimed on all your donations given under Gift Aid to all charities during the tax year. At the present standard rate of tax of 20%, 25p is reclaimed for every £1 donated. If you have moved house during the tax year please ensure that you have notified us.

If you are a tax-payer please consider signing a gift aid form. The forms are available at the back of church. We can then reclaim the tax on your weekly donation at no extra cost to you. No investigation, no complications, all we need is your name, address and signature.

Parish Giving. If you can, it would be very helpful to set up a Standing Order payment monthly into our account. You can do this by contacting your bank direct and providing them with the details of our account listed below. Alternatively, you can download and complete the Standing Order form from our website www.stmarysandstjosephs.com under the Giving page and send it to your bank. If you do online banking, the quickest and most direct way is to donate with a bank transfer. Whichever way you choose to donate please add your surname and first name as reference to help our bookkeeper.

Our account details are;

Bank: HSBC Bank plc

Sort Code: 40-27-02

Account Name: LRC DTR St Mary & St Joseph

Account Number: 11334751

If you would prefer to pay by cheque please make it payable to St Mary's Church and send to St Mary's, The Priory, Cleator, Cumbria. CA23 3AB.

You can scan this QR code with the camera on your phone to make offerings to the parish, it will take you to the 'Donate' website where you can decide how much you want to give. Thank you.



You can also make your offerings online by going to the 'Giving' page

<http://www.stmarysandstjosephs.com/giving.html> on the parish website and clicking 'DONATE' button in the online giving section and following the instructions. Everything we do at St Mary's and St Joseph's is made possible by your giving. Thank you!



Centenary Prayer

God our Father, we thank you for all the graces and blessings You have bestowed on our Diocese since its foundation one hundred years ago on ground made fertile by the blood of the martyrs. Nourished by your Son, Jesus Christ, in Word and Sacraments, and led by your Holy Spirit, may we move forward with hope and trust, helping future generations to discover the "pearl of great price" which will bring them eternal life. And when time shall be no more, may our Diocese rejoice as the "mother of countless children," and be given her place in heavenly glory. This we ask of you who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen

Easter Egg Appeal 2025 - The Caritas Group are asking for Easter egg donations for our local Food Bank. The appeal ends on Saturday 12th April. There will be a collection box at the back of church. Thank you for your continued support.