Parish Diary for Saturday 18th to Sunday 26th of March 2017	
Sat 18th *Sunday Vigil Mass*	**Saturday of 2nd Week in Lent** 9.00am Morning Prayer/Confessions, Adoration of Blessed Sacrament for vocations. *NB First Confessions will take priority at 9.15am* 10.00am Mass (priest's intention: Mgr John Ryan) 6.00pm Mass/Alston (priest's intention for Niall Maguire, 627). Confessions 5.30pm.
Sunday 19th March	**THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT** 8.30am Mass (priest's intention: people of the parish) 10.30am Mass (priest's intention: Edward & Mary Rodgers, 405).
Mon 20th	**ST JOSEPH**
Tue 21st	**Tuesday of 3rd Week in Lent** **9am** Mass (priest's intention: Canon Gerard Wharton, 409) **11.00am Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament to 11.30am** *11.30am Clergy Deanery Conference in Haydock Centre* 6pm Reception of Margaret Beatham's Body into St Catherine's Church
Wed 22nd	**Wednesday of 3rd Week in Lent** **12.00noon Requiem Mass for Margaret Beatham** ***3.30pm Lenten course in Haydock Centre: Pivotal Players, GK Chesterton. part II*** ***7pm Lenten Journey with Jesus, theme Gethsemane, meet in Christ Church; CTiP*** *7.30pm Faith & Fellowship meeting in the Quiet Room*
Thu 23rd	**Thursday of 3rd Week in Lent** *3pm 'Journey into Faith' session in the Quiet Room.* 6.45pm The Rosary. 7.00pm Mass (priest's intention: John Hodgson, 414) *7.45pm Meeting of Parish Pastoral Council*
Fri 24th	**Friday of 3rd Week in Lent** *Priest visiting: Bampton, Croft RH.* 11.45am Morning Prayer. 12 noon Mass (priest's intention: Anne McCoy, 418) *followed by Simple Exposition with Chaplet of Mercy.* ***5pm Talk on Palestine by Mary Savage in the Haydock Centre***
Sat 25th *Sunday Vigil Mass*	**THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD** 9.00am Morning Prayer/Confessions, Adoration of Blessed Sacrament for vocations. *NB First Confessions will take priority at 9.15am* 10.00am Mass (priest's intention: Winnie Ward's intentions) *4.00pm Syro-Malabar Rite Mass: Fr Matthew Jacob from Preston* 6.00pm Mass/Alston (priest's intention for LISCF/May). Confessions 5.30pm.
Sunday 26th March	**FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT** 8.30am Mass (priest's intention: people of the parish) ***9.15am Preparatory meeting for First Holy Communion candidates and parents*** 10.30am Mass (priest's intention: Bernard Rowan, 417).

Special Collections Next Sunday 26th March—For Easter flowers for church

Pray for Helen Blenkinship, Tom Northgraves, Philip Stockdale, Pat & Des Prior, Mary Shields, The Fox Family, Margaret Bower, Maureen Poland & David Hall who are sick. Remember also Margaret Beatham whose Requiem Mass is on Wednesday, and Ludovicus Rigby, Derek Horseman, John Davidson, Joseph Chad Harrison, John Wood, George Reay, Leslie Barry, Andrew John Gee & James Slessor whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Last week's statistics: Attendance: Sat Alston 6pm 18 + Penrith Sun 8.30am 83+ 10.30am 118 = 219. Offertory £529.17, Alston £94.40 (2 wks), plus av wkly gift-aided S/O of £250 = £779.17.

Welcome

to the Catholic Parish of St Catherine, Penrith with St Wulstan's Chapel, Alston

19th March 2017. Third Sunday of Lent

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A talk on Palestine by Mary Savage of the Friends, Fri 24th March, 5pm

Mary has recently returned from a 3 week study/work tour of the region which was organised by the Quakers. During the tour, she met Israelis and Palestinians who are working for peace as well as a Jewish settler in the West Bank.
Mary is keen to share the knowledge that she acquired on this trip and is giving a talk in the Haydock Centre. Mary is a Quaker of 35 years standing and she worships at the Carlisle Meeting House where currently she is clerk of the Meeting. Please come along to what will be a very interesting talk. *Fr Jerome.*

The list for the sick and housebound

I will be starting a new list next week, so if you have included someone on the current list and wish for our prayers to continue, please enter this Sunday their details on the new list, together with your own name and telephone number. FrJ.

Request for help with hosting events/catering

Many thanks to those who responded to my request last week. It would be really helpful if there was a group of three or four people to share this important parish ministry. For instance, two have offered to manage the CTiP frugal Lenten Lunch in the Haydock Centre, Tuesday April 11th, 12noon to 1.30pm: either soup & bread or cheese & bread. One ecumenical Lenten penance!

Joining Cumbria in welcoming our Syrian refugees this Spring.

We are calling an exploratory meeting on Friday 31st March in the Haydock Centre at 6pm. This is an informal meeting to explore ideas. However, to help us focus there will be an introduction by Sarah Wilson who has spent considerable time running a Learning Centre in the refugee camp in Dunkirk. We will also share the most up-to-date information from Cumbria County Council who have the responsibility for the basic housing, etc. of our guests. There is much else, though, to make a real welcome. *Sarah Wilson & Fr Jerome.*

Visitors, *the family and toddler area is at the front of church before the Lady Altar. There is a Children's Liturgy at the 10.30am Mass. Refreshments are available in the Haydock Centre after the 10.30 Mass. For your pink gift aid offertory envelopes to be effective for a tax reclaim you must print your name, full address & postal code, and with your signature. Thankyou.*

St Catherine's Catholic Primary School

Congratulations to our Y3 pupils who represented school at the UDance Festival in Carlisle last week; Heidi, the school dog, and I were the audience for the dress rehearsal and we were very impressed!

Last week, I concluded my training as a member of the National School of Formation. It has been the most amazing professional development and I am very grateful to the Governors for allowing me the time out of school. As part of the training, we were asked to visit charitable projects around the country; I chose Fatima House & St. Chad's Sanctuary in Birmingham, who support refugees from all over the world and Corrymeela in Belfast who are Northern Ireland's oldest peace and reconciliation organisation. Both experiences were overwhelming, life-enhancing and have taught me a great deal in a very short amount of time. I have always counted myself very fortunate to work every day with children, talking about my faith and having regular prayer sessions. However, this training has made me realise how important it is to tend to our spiritual needs and feed our formation – my Lenten resolution! *Angela Hill, Headteacher*

Dementia and You Wed 17 May, 10am to 3.30pm Keswick Meeting House
A day of reflection and discussion on the theme of spirituality and dementia, which is open to anyone but booking is essential. The day is co-sponsored by the Cumbria Ecumenical Spirituality Group and the Dementia Reference Group both of which are part of Churches Together in Cumbria. The format of the day will be: Welcome & introduction by Cameron Butland & David Richardson. First Speaker, the Rev'd Lucie Lunn, 'Spirituality & Dementia'. Shared stories in groups; Meditation. *Please bring your own packed lunch. Then our* Second Speaker – Dr Elizabeth Anderson 'Where is God in Dementia?' Group discussion & plenary. Closing worship. Places are limited to twenty five people. Cost per person is £10, (bursary available on request). *To reserve a place please contact Cameron Butland on cdsa03@gmail.com or send cheque payable 'CTiC' to Bishop's House, Ambleside Road, Keswick, Cumbria CA12 4DD.*

Parish 'Passover Meal'
As part of our parish Lenten Preparation, there will be a Passover Meal again this year on Wednesday 5th April. Tickets on sale today: £7 for adults, £3 for children: 3 courses, including drinks. Please come along. *Fiona Roebuck*

Easter Flowers
We will be decorating the church with flowers for Easter and are asking for your support. To do this we will need to have a collection at each Mass next Sunday 26 March and also any greenery that you are able to let us have to be left outside the church on Thursday 13 or Friday 14 April. Many thanks, The Flower Team.

Carlisle Renewal Days – monthly days of worship, prayer and praise. Next date **Sat 25 March**. Major Mark Sellers from Carlisle. At St Edmund's Church, Orton Rd, Carlisle. All welcome. Starts 11am, finish 4pm. Tea and coffee provided but bring a contribution for lunch. Janice Wrench – 01768 868489.

APF Promoters
The Spring Missio magazines are in the message basket for you to distribute to your red box holders. Please empty boxes this month. *Teresa Matthews*

Independent examiner urgently needed
Our regular independent examiner can't audit our accounts this year. So, we urgently need a volunteer to take this on for our financial year ending 5 April 2017. Examination has to be completed by end June, accounts will be available mid-end April. Please contact Jane Plasom-Scott if you/someone you know can help or you would like further info. Jane.plasomscott@icloud.com 01931 712955

Spring Plant Sale , Sun 2 April 2017, after 10.30 Mass onwards.
This event is planned in support of our parish's sponsorship of the wonderful work of the Sisters of the Holy Spirit, 'Working among the Poor in Southern Zambia'. Would contributors please bring veg., flower and fruit plants for sale to the Haydock Centre between 1 and 3. 30 pm on Saturday 1 April. **Raffle Prizes** We would also be grateful for donations of raffle prizes during our plant sale. Items can be brought to the Masses on Sunday 26th March. There will be someone in the narthex to take these after each Mass. *Many thanks. The Monze Team.*

Messages in St Catherine's sacristy for: Brenda Smith, Dennis Carleton, Helen Reid, Denis Smith, Stuart Campbell, Gay Edwards, Paul Harper, Christine Wallace, Michael Mullett & Marie Borradaile

LITURGY for the 3rd Sunday of Lent, page 83 in Parish Mass Book.

Entrance Antiphon: My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor..

Gospel Acclamation: Belmont :"Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ"
'Lord you are really the Saviour of the world; give me the living water, so that I may never get thirsty.". Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon: For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life**.**

Hymns: *Entrance*: 'Oh let all who thirst' no.408. *Offertory:* 'Water of life' no.512. *Communion:* 'Godhead here in hiding' no 660. *Recessional*: 'God forgave my sins' no.849. *Belmont Mass*

Eucharistic Ministers	**(St Catherine's)**	**Readers**
8.30	**19/3** Peter & John K. **26/3** Monica & Bernard	**19/3** Andrew. **26/3** Jennifer.
10.30	**19/3** John P & Pauline **26/3** Vivien & Betty.	**19/3** Michelle. **26/3** Charles
Children's Liturgy:	**19/3** Louis. **26/3** Helen.	
Collection Counters:	**19/3** Brenda & Sue. **26/3** Michael & Neil	

Witamy bardzo serdecznie w parafii pw. Sw Katarzyny-Saint Catherine na naszej niedzielnej Mszy Swietej. Po niedzielnej Mszy Swietej o godzinie 10:30 zapraszamy wszystkich parafian na kawe i herbate. W kazda 1 niedziele miesiaca w naszej parafii jest sprawowawana Msza Swieta w jezyku polskim o godzinie 15:30. Odpowiedzielnym za duszpasterstwo w j.polskim jest ks. Roman Kossakowski 07706 696937. Osoby zainteresowane indywidaulana nauka konwersacji w j.angielskim proszone sa o kontakt z Ksiedzem Jerome pod numerem tel:01768 862273.