

Parish Diary for Saturday 25 th March to Sunday 2nd of April 2017	
Sat 25th <i>Sunday</i> <i>Vigil Mass</i>	THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD 9.00am Morning Prayer/Confessions, Adoration of Blessed Sacrament for vocations. <i>NB First Confessions will take priority at 9.15am</i> 10.00am Mass (priest's intention: Winnie Ward's intentions) <i>4.00pm Syro-Malabar Rite Mass: Fr Matthew Jacob from Preston</i> 6.00pm Mass/Alston (priest's intention for LISCF/May). Confessions 5.30pm.
Sunday 26th March	FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT (Laetare Sunday) 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).
Tue 28th	Tuesday of 4th week in Lent 11.45am Morning Prayer. 12noon Mass (priest's intention: Margaret Beatham, 421)
Wed 29th	Wednesday of 4th week in Lent 9.15am Mass (priest's intention: Canon Gerard Wharton, 410) 3.30pm Lenten Course: Pivotal Players, St Catherine of Siena. Part I <i>6.30pm St Catherine's School Governors Meeting</i> <i>7.30pm Faith & Fellowship meeting in the Quiet Room</i>
Thu 30th	Thursday of 4th week in Lent <i>10.30 Meeting on Ignatian Spirituality at Preston—Fr J attending</i> 6.45pm The Rosary. 7.00pm Mass (priest's intention: Maureen Poland, 423). <i>7.45pm 'Journey into Faith' session in the Quiet Room of the Haydock Centre.</i> 7.00pm Lenten Journey with Jesus, theme The Market Place, Christ Church; CTiP
Fri 31st	Friday of 4th week in Lent <i>Priest visiting: Raiselands Croft, Pele Crt, Sandcroft, Merlin Crt.</i> 11.45am Morning Prayer. 12 noon Mass (priest's int. Betty & Sam Sowerbutts, 426). Immediately after Mass there will be Station of the Cross. 6.00pm Meeting re welcoming Syrian Refugees in the Quiet Room
Sat 1st <i>Sunday</i> <i>Vigil Mass</i>	Saturday of 4th week in Lent 9.00am Morning Prayer/Confessions, Adoration of Blessed Sacrament for vocations. 10.00am Mass (priest's intention: John Dawes, 419). During this Mass, we will celebrate the baptism of Raissa Sievra Varga 6.00pm Mass/Alston (priest's intention for LISCF/June). Confessions 5.30pm.
Sunday 2nd April	FIFTH 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: Patsy Cooney, 420) <i>After 8.30am Mass Spring Plant Sale in aid of Monze</i> 3.30pm Mass in Polish, Fr Roman Kossakowski SChr from Lancaster.
Pray for Raissa Sievra Varga who will be baptised on Saturday and Tara & Andrew Wardlaw, Mary Shields, Helen Blenkinship, Phillip Stockdale, Martin Lynch and Pat & Des Prior who are sick. Pray for Cath Pickering whose Requiem Mass and burial of her ashes is next week. Remember also Ivan Wawrykowycz, Eileen Stratford, Brian McVey, Ian Campbell and Margaret Stewart whose anniversaries occur about this time.	
Special Collections: This Sunday 25th Mar is for Easter Flowers. Next Sunday 2 Apr is an urgent appeal by CAFOD for the people of E Africa.	



WELCOME

TO THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST CATHERINE, PENRITH
WITH ST WULSTAN'S CHAPEL, ALSTON

26TH MARCH 2017. 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT. MOTHERING SUNDAY

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Christians Against Poverty (CAP)

CAP is a 20 year old voluntary or organisation to support those who seem to be in impossible financial difficulties. Its work is not to pay off whatever is the debt but, in both a professional and befriending way, to support the client to manage the situation.

There are two sides to its work. On the one hand professional advice is obtained with CAP negotiating with the banks, etc on behalf of the client. This financially professional body is based in Bradford. Individuals seeking the assistance of CAP give it authority to negotiate with creditors and organise the client's finances so as to make them debt free within 5 years or negotiate a managed insolvency.

On the other hand in the local regions, for instance in Penrith, there will be people who act as befrienders, that is who 'walk with the client' to encourage and support him or her to carry out the plan of action which has been professionally negotiated by Bradford. Then there are others, those 'bringing blessings', who give general & practical support to the client and the befriender, for instance preparing a Christmas hamper, or sending birthday greetings.

The emphasis is to reassure the clients they are not alone, and to encourage them to followed the financial plan negotiated by CAP to manage their finances. CAP is a Christian initiative. Although CAP in Penrith is only a year old nevertheless there have been two successes with two clients completing the process of clearing their debts.

Would you like to know more? Do have a word with John Poland or me. I do think this is one of the surest ways of working together ecumenically with other Christian bodies which our Church encourages us to do. *Fr Jerome.*

Supporting the Mission Hospital in Monze, Zambia.

Sr Juunza, the hospital manager, has just sent us a document outlining the project for a new neonatal unit for the hospital. I will distribute copies of this next week and arrange a meeting for our supporters to give more details of this and the hospital. May 15th is getting nearer for when I leave for Zambia! *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.

WELCOMING SYRIAN REFUGEES

As noted last week, four of us attended the key introductory meeting in February at Carlisle University with a further seven who have declared their interest in being involved. I have left a pack of useful information in the sacristy message box for each of these: *Fiona Roebuck, Mary Coen, Jennifer McLoughlin, Jane Plasom-Scott, Judith Bayley, Brien Mein, Angela Hill, Les White*. There are three extra packs of information for others who might be interested. **Remember the meeting to carry this work forward which is at 6pm on Friday 31st in the Haydock Centre** which is open to all people in Penrith who are supporting this work. Sarah Wilson is informing contacts outside the church circuits; I have sent invitations to the other churches in Penrith. If you are interested, DO COME. We wish to start coordinating a combined effort in this. *Fr Jerome*.

Reflections during Lent: 'The Pivotal Players', Wednesdays at 3.30pm

Why not join us for the 2 final sessions when we will be learning about St Catherine of Siena. There are still a couple of spare places so if you are able to come, have a word with me and I can give you the work book. *Fr Jerome*.

New List for the Sick and Housebound

The new list started this week, so if you have included someone on the previous 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. *Fr Jerome*.

The Summoning of Everyman, St. Andrew's Church, Sat, 1st Apr 7.30pm. Tickets from Ticketsource online and St Andrew's Parish Office. This is one of the greatest mediaeval Christian morality plays. See poster in narthex.

Easter Flowers

We will be decorating the church with flowers for Easter and are asking for your support with a Special Collection at each Mass this Sunday. We would also appreciate any greenery that you can let us have, to be left on the lawn outside the church on Thursday 13 or Friday 14 April. Many thanks, *The Flower Team*.

Spring Plant Sale, Sun 2 April 2017, after 8.30am Mass onwards.

A change to last week's notice. The sale will now commence after 8.30 am Mass. Do come along! 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. Many thanks. *The Monze Team*

Passover Meal on Wednesday, April 5th, 7pm

Tickets for the Passover Meal are now all 'spoken for' and we are collecting names for a reserve list. If you gave your name for tickets but haven't paid for them yet, please will you do it today to avoid having spaces at the Passover table (*Or tell us they aren't needed*) Next week, tickets not paid for will be sold.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

Palm Sunday April 8/9th. Saturday 6.00pm at Alston; 8.30am & 10.25am at Penrith. The Sung Mass with Procession of Palms begins in the Haydock Centre 10.25am

Tuesday: Penrith: *6pm Servers/Ministers practice for Maundy Thurs & Good Fri*

Spy Wednesday: 6.00 to 8.00pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confessions.

Holy Thursday: 11.30am. Mass of Chrism at Lancaster Cathedral.

7.00pm St Catherine's Mass of Last Supper with Watching till 11pm.

Good Friday: 10.00am. Stations of the Cross. 12noon Ecumenical 'Walk of Witness' starting outside Penrith Museum & outside 'The Friends', Alston.
3.00pm. 'The Lord's Passion' at both St Catherine's & St Wulstan's.

Holy Saturday: 11.30am. Polish traditional of blessing of Easter gifts, St Catherine's.
3.00pm Servers/Ministers practice at St Catherine's for the Vigil Mass.
9.00pm Vigil Mass of the Resurrection. [NOTE TIME OF VIGIL MASS]

Easter Sunday: 8.30am & 10.30am Easter Masses St Catherine's, 4.30pm St Wulstan's
3.30pm Easter Mass in Polish at St Catherine's.

Last week's statistics: Attendance: Sat Alston 6pm 18 + Penrith Sun 8.30am 73 + 10.30am 117 = 208. Offertory £615.32, Alston being £58, plus average weekly gift-aided S/O of £250 = £865.32. CAFOD envelopes £714.50.

Messages in St Catherine's sacristy for: Betty Butterworth, John Poland, Vincent Egan, Gay Edwards, Christine Wallace and Syrian refugee packs for *Fiona Roebuck, Mary Coen, Jennifer McLoughlin, Jane Plasom-Scott, Judith Bayley, Brien Mein, Angela Hill, Les White*.

LITURGY for the 4th Sunday of Lent, page 86 in Parish Mass Book.

Entrance Antiphon: Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

Gospel Acclamation: Belmont: "Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ" "I am the light of the world says the Lord; anyone who follows me will have the light of life" "Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ".

Communion Antiphon: The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed, I saw and I believed in God.

Hymns: *Entrance:* 'Come praise the Lord' no.700. *Offertory:* 'Come back to me' no.842. *Communion:* 'Lay your hands' no 432. *Recessional:* 'Colours of day' no.764. *Belmont Mass.*

<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	(St Catherine's)	<u>Readers</u>	
8.30	26/3 Monica & Bernard.	2/4 John (K) & Sue.	26/3 Jennifer
10.30	26/3 Vivien & Betty.	2/4 John (P) & Helen	26/3 Charles

Children's Liturgy: 26/3 Helen. 2/4 Gary.

Collection Counters: 26/3 Michael & Neil. 2/4 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 kawę i herbatę. W kazda 1 niedziele miesiaca w naszej parafii jest sprawowana Msza Swieta w jezyku polskim o godzinie 15:30. Odpowiedzielnym za duszpasterstwo w j.polskim jest ks. Roman Kossakowski 07706 696937. Osoby zainteresowane indywidualna nauka konwersacji w j.angielskim proszone sa o kontakt z Ksiedzem Jerome pod numerem tel:01768 862273.