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**PLEASE NOTE: - THURSDAY IS NORMALLY REVEREND RICHARD'S  
DAY OFF**

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### SERVICES AT ST MARY'S

#### SUNDAYS

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION (Book of Common Prayer, 1662)

9.30 am THE PARISH EUCHARIST and SUNDAY SCHOOL  
(NEXT SUNG MATTINS will be 7<sup>th</sup> June)

6.30 pm EVENING PRAYER (Book of Common Prayer, 1662)

#### WEEKDAYS

Holy Communion is celebrated every Tuesday at 9.45 am (Book of Common Prayer) and Wednesday at 12.45 pm.

### CALENDAR AND SPECIAL DAYS

SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

SUNDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion is regularly administered in the Cumberland Infirmary. The Chaplain may be contacted via the hospital on 01228 523444

Material for the bulletin and weekly pew sheet should be sent to

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## St Mary's Parish Church Wigton

### MONTHLY NEWS BULLETIN

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From the Registers

Nil Return

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Reverend Richard writes....

After some time away from parish life, returning this month has given me fresh eyes to see something I perhaps too easily take for granted: God's care for each one of us personally.

When we speak about God loving the world, it can sound wonderfully big and inspiring — but also rather distant. Yet throughout Scripture we see a God who notices individuals.

Jesus stops for one blind man by the roadside. He calls Zacchaeus down from the tree by name. He reassures fearful disciples one by one after the resurrection. The Good Shepherd knows His sheep individually.

During my time away, I was deeply grateful for the prayers, kindness and understanding shown by so many people. It reminded me that God often looks after us through the care of others: a thoughtful message, a conversation at the right moment, a meal delivered, or simply the gift of being remembered.

Life can sometimes leave us feeling unnoticed or overlooked. We may imagine that our worries are too small for God's attention when compared with the troubles of the wider world. But the gospel tells us otherwise. Jesus says that even the hairs on our heads are numbered. That is not meant to sound alarming - merely a vivid reminder that nothing about us is hidden from God's loving concern.

As we move into June, with longer days and the beauty of summer beginning around us, perhaps we can take time to notice again the quiet ways God cares for us daily. And perhaps we can also become part of that care for someone else.

A phone call, an invitation, a listening ear, or a simple act of kindness may be exactly the way another person experiences God's love this month.

May we all know ourselves to be held in His care, individually and completely.

God Bless,

Rev Richard

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### **PRAYER BOOKS**

A small number of prayer books are available for sponsorship at a cost of £12. If you are interested, please speak to the Treasurer.

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### **MOTHERS' UNION**

The MU on Tuesday 2nd June will be an Evening Meal at Denton House.

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### **CHRISTIAN AID**

Please return Christian Aid envelopes that were included with the May bulletin, or from the back of church. Donations will be remitted in early June so if you want to make a donation please return them as soon as possible.

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### **WINDOWS APPEAL**

Sponsorships of window panes are invited at a cost of £5 per pane, contact the Treasurer for details. Limited-Edition Windows Appeal mugs with a picture of St Mary's are still available at a cost of £5.

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**WINDOWS APPEAL TARGET £500,000**  
**TOTAL TO DATE – £190,683**

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### **MARMALADE**

Some Jars of marmalade which were judged as part of the Dalemian World Marmalade Festival Competition have been donated to St Mary's. These are available for a donation to church funds. Thank you to all those who have donated so far, there are still a few jars available at the back of church; there are no more after this, so please take one and leave a donation.

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### **FLOWER FUND**

Donations towards the flower fund are always welcome, please support this if you can.

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### **CONFIRMATION**

A confirmation service is booked with Bishop Rob for Sunday 5th July 2026 at St Mary's, Wigton. Anyone who would like to be confirmed, adults or children, please contact Rev Richard.

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### **POSTAGE STAMPS**

Used postage stamps, especially the Christmas ones, can be placed in the box provided at the back of church. Thank you all for your used stamp donations. Please trim your stamps to approximately 1cm around each stamp as this will save hours of trimming time. Thank you again for your kind donations.

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### **CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL**

At the Annual Meeting the Electoral Roll Officer reported on the number on the Electoral Roll.

If you would like to be added to the Electoral Roll, you can make application to either Rev Richard or one of the churchwardens who will make the necessary arrangements.

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### **CHILDREN**

The young people continue to meet each Sunday for their activities at the same time as the 9.30 am service. A warm welcome is extended to all children.

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### **ST MARY'S HOUSE GROUP**

The House Group continues on Tuesday evenings. Copies of the programme are on the table at the back of church.

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### **CHURCH RUNNING COSTS**

In 2025 it cost approximately £1500 a week to keep St Mary's Church open and running. The deficit on the general account was in excess of £8,000 in 2025.

We are thankful to everyone who gives to the church, but currently giving is not covering our costs; we are around £180 a week short. Please keep supporting us as much as you can, and if you don't currently financially support St Mary's maybe you could think about it? If you can give some financial support, please contact the treasurer or any other church official.

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