

Sacred Heart & St. Patrick

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Sunday 12th + SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

Saturday 11 Feb	5-00pm 5-30pm	Confessions Vigil Mass	Wilfred Teesdale [A]
Sunday 12 Feb	11-00am	+ SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME +	Jaqueline Ann Sweeney [A]
Monday 13 Feb		Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Tuesday 14 Feb	09-30am	SS CYRIL, MONK, & METHODIUS, BISHOP AND PATRONS OF EUROPE	Hilda Kitcher [LD]
Wed 15 Feb		Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Thursday 16 Feb	7-30pm	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Charlotte Leyland
Friday 17 Feb	09-30am	Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order	Doris Sultana
Saturday 18 Feb	5-00pm 5-30pm	Confessions Vigil Mass	Jackie Lyons [A]
Sunday 19 Feb	11-00am	SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Father D.F. O'Kane [LD]

Tea & Coffee after Sunday Mass today (From 11.45 - 12.45)

PARISH GIVING - Many thanks to all who are so generously continuing to give much needed support the Parish at the moment. **BANKED 10 FEB £350.00** plus standing orders of £1220 per month

Switching to Standing Order I am grateful for your generous response - thank you so much for your support, truly first class. If you have online or phone banking facilities, then you can set this up yourself. Most people setup payments on a monthly basis. Please reference the monthly donation with surname plus first initial. Also, please let Fr Larkin know if you do change to this system.

Our bank details: Account name: DoL Sacred Heart & St. Patrick (Use - St. Patrick)

Bank: HSBC / Sort Code: 40-27-15 / Account: 41017454

CHANGE OF ADDRESS Please let us know if you have moved house; this is especially important for those who have signed a Gift Aid Declaration.

CAFOD Syria Turkey Earthquake Appeal. Join us in prayer and if you can please donate to the CAFOD's Syria Turkey Emergency Appeal online at <https://cafod.org.uk/give>. Thank you.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY would like to make an appeal for the following items which should be in a clean and good condition to help the homeless and others in need: sleeping bags, underwear, socks and gloves - small to medium size for men and small for women. We will leave a box in the church porch on 4/ 5 February, 11 / 12 February for donations. Thank you for your generosity which is very much appreciated.

BISHOP-ELECT PHILIP MOGER will be ordained a bishop on 21 February. He served for over 20 years at Leeds Cathedral and also at the Holy Rosary Church Leeds. Please keep him in your prayers

SCHOOL GOVERNORS have you thought about being a school governor? This is a voluntary role which only involves 4-6 meetings a year. Foundation governors play a vital role in promoting our catholic faith and traditions. You don't need to have any special skills just a desire to be involved in the running and organisation of our school. All governors have to have a full DBS check (which the Diocese complete on your behalf). If you are interested, please have a word with Fr Larkin. If you have questions, contact the Vicariate for Education, 0113 261 8040 /

ATTENDANCE AT HOLY MASS

627 people attended Mass (Jan –2022) - **848** people attended Mass (Jan –2023)

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY Please visit Churches Together Britain and Ireland website – 22 April 2023 marks the 30th anniversary of the racist killing of Black teenager, Stephen Lawrence, in Eltham, southeast London. To read more visit - <https://ctbi.org.uk/racial-justice-sunday-2023-stephen-lawrence/> or <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/racial-justice-sunday/>

CATENIANS Any Catholic men interested in expanding their connections with similar thinking Catholics may learn more about the Catenians by taking a look at their website: www.thecatenians.com Or calling the Membership Officer Dennis Donnelly on 01484 606042.

VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND DIACONATE

Please pray for the following currently in formation for the Priesthood in the Diocese of Leeds:

Rev Paul Moores and Philip Thornley Pontifical Beda College, Rome

Alex Noad and Stephen O'Hara St Mary's College, Oscott

Please pray for the following currently in formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Leeds:

Danny Murphy, Jack Clark, Dominic Williams, Paul Coates, Martin Fenlon, and Nicholas Stoddart

RETRouvaille WEEKEND A weekend residential programme for renewal, rediscovery and healing for marriages. 24 – 26 February, Welwyn Garden City.

More information: <https://www.retrouvaille.org.uk/>.

"I AM WITH YOU" - HALIFAX DEANERY MISSION 2023 In the week leading up to the Feast of the Ascension (15 - 18 May 2023) the Catholics of the Halifax Deanery will be celebrating a week of Mission, sharing with each other and the wider community the love of Jesus. To access the latest information and follow developments, please use the following social media "handles": Facebook: @missionhalifax | Twitter: @halifaxmission | Instagram: @missionhalifax

MISSION "IS" POSSIBLE The exciting news is that **Sr. Maria Silva O.P.** will be leading a Lenten Mission (Monday 27 Feb – Thursday 2 March). From running car dealerships in the Bronx to the Oprah Winfrey Show, via joining the Dominican Sisters of Mary Mother of the Eucharist and now leading a Roman University, Sr Maria's story is amazing! She will be speaking at 7pm each evening at Ss Peter and Paul St George's Walk, Wakefield WF2 7NR.

FLAME Saturday 4 March 2023, be 1 of 10,000 young people this March.

The largest Catholic youth event in England and Wales is back! Join thousands of young people for a day of music, prayer, worship, talks from great speakers and much more at Wembley Arena in London. Tickets are £60 per person (including return coach travel). There are plenty of tickets left!

Email youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk to book yours!

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 There are still places available on the Diocese of Leeds Youth Service pilgrimage for World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal from 31 July – 7 August 2023. A week-long youth festival with Pope Francis and young people from across the world for those aged 15-30. The Cost of £1200 includes accommodation, travel, WYD package and more. For help with fundraising and to book, Email youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

DIOCESE OF LEEDS PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2023 6 nights from £745. 7-13 July 2023 by air from Leeds/Bradford Airport. To book please contact Tangney Tours, Tel 01732 886666, www.tangney-tours.com & follow links for Lourdes, Leeds. (Pilgrim's Mass, Saturday 20 May 12pm at Holy Name Church, Otley Old Road, LS16 6HW. Light buffet and social in the hall afterwards, also medical checks.)

CATHOLIC CARE VACANCY Senior Residential Childcare worker, Leeds. Salary: SP 12-19 £27,949 – £31,305 (Dependent on qualifications). This post comes with a Golden Hello to the organisation of £1000. £500 being paid on commencement of role and £500 being paid on satisfactory completion of probation period. Hours per week: Full Time (Shift patterns include weekends, bank holidays and sleep-ins (8 per month). Contract type: Permanent. Closing date: Until appointed. Interview date: to arrange with candidate. Please send CV to HR@catholic-care.org.uk

EVENTS MANAGER VACANCY The Parish of St John Vianney, Leeds, is looking for an organised, enthusiastic individual to manage our two parish halls. Responsibilities include; generating and taking bookings, administration, supervising the bar manager and their team, organising social events and maintaining relationships with parish groups and outside agencies. The role is 14 hours per week. Remuneration is £11.60 per hour. For more information/to request an application pack email: office.stjohnvianney@dioceseofleeds.org.uk. Closing date for applications: Friday 10th February.

LOURDES DINNER DANCE FUNDRAISER The Annual Diocesan Lourdes Dinner Dance will take place on Friday 24 February at the Met Hotel, Leeds. Ticket prices are £40 or £375 for a table of ten, ticket includes pre meal drink, 3 course meal and music/DJ, please contact Phil Marshall on 07766 148375 or email philmarshall49@hotmail.com for tickets or more info. Please consider joining in a great night that raises vital funds for the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

- **RACE NIGHT:** Friday 31 March 2023, Mount St Joseph's, Headingley. First race at 7:30pm. Fish & Chips, Bar, Raffle. Tickets: £15 available from reception. Tel: 0113 278 4101. Poster attached.
- **SPONSORED CYCLE:** Srs Caroline & Christina are joining staff and volunteers to raise money for new curtains. Just giving page: https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/mount-stjosephs-1?utm_id=1&utm_term=dyG47Ar76

BRIERY ONLINE ZOOM MEDITATIONS on Thursday from 7.30pm to 8.15pm. We open at 7.15pm for a chat and start promptly at 7.30pm. It is a simple format of praying with the Sunday Mass Readings and sharing in small groups. To register, please email the Briery: briery@btconnect.com

A LENTEN DAY OF REFLECTION led by Fr Dennis Cassidy at the Briery, Ilkley entitled "A Journey through Lent in the footsteps of Jesus" on Friday 3 March or Saturday 4 March. The day starts at 10am and ends approx. 3.30pm and includes morning coffee/homemade biscuits, a two course lunch and afternoon tea with cake. Offerings £40 per person. For further information and to book a place please contact Admin at The Briery on 01943 607287 or email: briery@btconnect.com

HOLY LAND TALK AND AFTERNOON TEA an illustrated slide talk by Mgr. Kieran Heskin followed by a delicious afternoon tea on Sunday 12 March at 2pm organised by the Friends of the Briery and takes place at the Briery, Ilkley. Tickets are £12 per person and are available from Admin at the Briery on 01943 607287 or email: briery@btconnect.com

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READINGS, PRAYERS AND MASS TEXTS can be found at: www.universalis.com

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf. Ps 30: 3-4

Be my protector, O God,
a mighty stronghold to save me.
For you are my rock, my stronghold!
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

FIRST READING A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus Ecclesiasticus 15:16f

If you wish, you can keep the commandments,
to behave faithfully is within your power.
He has set fire and water before you;
put out your hand to whichever you prefer.
Man has life and death before him;
whichever a man likes better will be given him.
For vast is the wisdom of the Lord;
he is almighty and all-seeing.
His eyes are on those who fear him,
he notes every action of man.
He never commanded anyone to be godless,
he has given no one permission to sin.

The word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

PSALM Psalm 118(119)

RESPONSE: They are happy who follow God's law!

They are happy whose life is blameless,
who follow God's law!
They are happy who do his will,
seeking him with all their hearts. **R.**

You have laid down your precepts
to be obeyed with care.
May my footsteps be firm
to obey your statutes. **R.**

Bless your servant and I shall live
and obey your word.
Open my eyes that I may see
the wonders of your law. **R.**

Teach me the demands of your statutes
and I will keep them to the end.
Train me to observe your law,
to keep it with my heart. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter to the Corinthians

1 Corinthians 2:6-10

We have a wisdom to offer those who have reached maturity: not a philosophy of our age, it is true, still less of the masters of our age, which are coming to their end. The hidden wisdom of God which we teach in our mysteries is the wisdom that God predestined to be for our glory before the ages began. It is a wisdom that none of the masters of this age have ever known, or they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory; we teach what scripture calls: the things that no eye has seen and no ear has heard, things beyond the mind of man, all that God has prepared for those who love him.

These are the very things that God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit reaches the depths of everything, even the depths of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf.1S3:9,Jn6:68

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:
you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 5:20-22,27-28,33-34,37

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I tell you, if your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven. 'You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not kill; and if anyone does kill he must answer for it before the court. But I say this to you: anyone who is angry with his brother will answer for it before the court. 'You have learnt how it was said: You must not commit adultery. But I say this to you: if a man looks at a woman lustfully, he has already committed adultery with her in his heart. 'Again, you have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not break your oath, but must fulfil your oaths to the Lord. But I say this to you: do not swear at all. All you need say is "Yes" if you mean yes, "No" if you mean no; anything more than this comes from the evil one.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sacred Heart of Jesus *Ultimate Defence Against Modernism and the Culture of Death keep us safe.*