

Sacred Heart & St. Patrick

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Saturday 01 Apr	5-00pm 5-30pm	Confessions Vigil Mass	John Anthony Lang [LD]
Sunday 02 Apr	11-00am	+ PALM SUNDAY +	November Dead List 2022/23
Monday 03 Apr		MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK	
Tuesday 04 Apr	09-30am	TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK	November Dead List 2022/23
Wed 05 Apr		WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK	
Thursday 06 Apr	7-30pm	MAUNDY THURSDAY Good Shepherd - 7-30pm	Joyce Carr [LD]
Friday 07 Apr	3-00pm	GOOD FRIDAY The Passion of the Lord	Day of penance for the whole Church, fasting and abstinence from the eating of meat.
Saturday 08 Apr	7-30pm	EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT	Kathleen Larkin [M&D]
Sunday 09 Apr	11-00am	EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD	Anne Knowles [A]

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

NEXT WEEK # NO MASS Tuesday 11 or Thursday 13

MASS RESUMES Friday 14 April 2023 at 2.30pm Requiem Mass.

Reception into church for Malcolm Glover RIP at 6pm, Thursday 13

Requiem Mass Friday 14 April at 2.30pm (Mass of the day)

Please remember Malcolm and his family and friends in your prayers at this time.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

May he rest in peace. Amen.

PLEASE REMEMBER to keep in your prayers our Holy Father Pope Francis, who is currently in hospital with breathing difficulties.

PARISH GIVING - Many thanks to all who are so generously continuing to give much needed support to the Parish. **BANKED / 28 MARCH £295** plus standing orders of £1220 per month.

Switching to Standing Order If you have online or phone banking, then you can set this up yourself. Most people setup payments monthly. Please let Fr Larkin know if you do change to this system.

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

2023 -24 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES for those who use the envelopes, the new boxes are available to collect. Thank you for all your help in reducing costs by Switching to Standing Order.

CANDLES please note that votive candles are now 50p they burn for six hours.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2023

Jesus was at his strongest and most powerful after fasting in the wilderness. Ask for his help as you fast this week and see how he builds your strength too.

EASTER CARDS AND EASTER MASS CARDS Available at the back of Church
PALM SUNDAY – 02 April – 11-00am – Starting in the church hall.

The liturgy gives us a preview of the events we will celebrate in the Easter Triduum. The passion, death and resurrection of Jesus are the focus of this and every Sunday celebration. The Profession of Faith is said. The Proper Preface is used (RM. 311-312). Only EPs I-III may be used today. The school children join us today.

THE CHRISM MASS – Holy Wednesday 05 April - 11:00am

Leeds Cathedral, Cathedral House, Great George Street, LEEDS LS2 8BE
Tel: 0113 245 4545. All welcome to attend.

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM (based on the Latin word for three days) begins with the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday and ends with Vespers on Easter Sunday evening. It is often spoken of as a single celebration, but though there are elements such as the soft endings and beginnings of the Thursday evening and the Good Friday afternoon liturgies, there are other elements that suggest otherwise. What is more important is understanding the Triduum as celebrating the one event of the passion, death, and resurrection of the Lord. Though each celebration has its focus and character, the liturgies are not a dramatic re-enactment of the events of Holy Week. For example, we commemorate Good Friday in the knowledge that although Jesus died and was laid in the tomb, that was not the end of the story. Connections can be made across the principal liturgies of the three days. We must listen closely to the readings and the prayers of each occasion.

HOLY THURSDAY Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

This year I invite you to join me at the **Good Shepherd Mytholmroyd** for
Holy Thursday 06 April 7-30pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper – Watching before the Altar until 9pm.

GOOD FRIDAY 07 April

10.00am Join us and Christians Together in Sowerby Bridge for our Walk of Witness. Starting from the church hall from 10.00am ready to begin at 10.30am.

3-00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion- A Day of Fasting and Abstinence

VIGIL OF EASTER SATURDAY 08 APRIL 7-30PM

The celebration of the Easter Vigil begins in darkness, all the lights in the church having been put out.

EASTER SUNDAY 09 APRIL SUNDAY

First Holy Mass of Easter Day - Good Shepherd Mytholmroyd – 09-30am

Followed by Holy Mass at **Sacred Heart & St. Patrick - 11-00am**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION in our own parish **21 May 2023** at 11am

YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED I'm using an eco-friendly, award-winning company called smol for my cleaning products. Follow my referral link Check it out: <http://smol.refr.cc/malachyl>

PLEASE PRAY FOR the soul of the Rt Rev David McGough, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Birmingham, who died on Sunday 26 March. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

BISHOP PHILIP MOGER At 7pm on **Friday, 28 April 2023** Bishop Philip will celebrate Holy Mass in St Mary's, Gibbet St, Halifax HX1 5DH. All welcome to attend.

HALIFAX DEANERY MISSION 2023 15-18 May, St Mary's Church, HX1 5DH

(Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 7pm), & Square Chapel, HX1 1QG (Tuesday, 7.30pm)

You are invited to the Holy Mass of the Ascension with Bishop Marcus which will be the only evening Mass for the Holyday. For more information on each evening, follow Mission Halifax on Instagram or Facebook - @missionhalifax If this sounds like something that you would like to take part in feel free to contact Fr Michael Hall on 07525 419806 or michael.hall@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

CELEBRATION OF MARRIED LIFE 2023 Celebration of Married Life: On Saturday 12 May, there will be a special Celebration Mass for Married Life at Leeds Cathedral at 12noon for couples and their families celebrating their 25th (Silver), 40th (Ruby), 50th (Golden), 60th (Diamond) and 70th (Platinum) wedding anniversaries this year. There will be an opportunity for couples, who wish to do so, to renew their marriage vows during the liturgy. If you are celebrating the anniversary of your wedding and you would like to take part in this celebration, please fill out the application form which is available at the back of church and send it to Miss Anne Cooke, Bishop's House, 13 North Grange Road, Leeds, LS6 2BR or email it to bishop@dioceseofleeds.org.uk by **Friday 28 April 2023**. I encourage you who are celebrating the Jubilee of your wedding to take part.

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.)

RECRUITMENT OF NEW DIOCESAN LAY TRUSTEES: Bishop Marcus is seeking to recruit additional Lay Trustees to join the Board of the Diocese of Leeds Trustee. The Board is hoping to secure the appointment of individuals in this round of recruitment with skillsets particularly in Catholic Education, Finance or Property, as well as Governance, Human Resources, Hospitality, Communications & Digital Media, Health & Safety. More information can be found at: www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk

YOUTH AND LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION OFFICER: 37 hours per week, based at Hinsley Hall and including some evening and weekend work. Salary: £25k per annum. Start date: September 2023 or earlier if possible. **Closing Date: Monday 17 April 2023 12noon.** For further information or to request an application pack, please contact Emma Nicholson at education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER POPE FRANCIS FOR APRIL 2023

Please remember in your prayers the following intention:

For a culture of peace and non-violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

Sunday 2nd + PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf. Jn 12: 1, 12-13; Ps 23: 9-10

Six days before the Passover,
when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem,
the children ran to meet him;
in their hands they carried palm branches

and with a loud voice cried out:

Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

O gates, lift high your heads;
grow higher, ancient doors.
Let him enter, the king of glory!
Who is this king of glory?
He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory.

Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

FIRST READING A reading from the prophet Isaiah Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

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

PSALM Psalm 21

RESPONSE: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

1. All who see me deride me.
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
"He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;
let him release him if this is his friend." **R.**

2. Many dogs have surrounded me,
a band of the wicked beset me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet.
I can count every one of my bones. **R.**

3. They divide my clothing among them.
They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone,
my strength, make haste to help me! **R.**

4. I will tell of your name to my brethren
and praise you where they are assembled.
"You who fear the Lord give him praise;
all sons of Jacob, give him glory.
Revere him, Israel's sons." **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to

Philippians

Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

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GOSPEL The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 27:11-54

Jesus was brought before Pontius Pilate, the governor, and the governor put to him this question: Are you the king of the Jews? Jesus replied, it is you who say it.

But when he was accused by the chief priests and the elders, he refused to answer at all. Pilate then said to him, do you not hear how many charges they have brought against you? But to the governor's complete amazement, he offered no reply to any of the charges.

At festival time it was the governor's practice to release a prisoner for the people, anyone they chose. Now there was at that time a notorious prisoner whose name was Barabbas. So, when the crowd gathered, Pilate said to them, which do you want me to release for you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ? For Pilate knew it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over.

Now as he was seated in the chair of judgement, his wife sent him a message, have nothing to do with that man; I have been upset all day by a dream I had about him.

The chief priests and the elders, however, had persuaded the crowd to demand the release of Barabbas and the execution of Jesus. So, when the governor spoke and asked them, which of the two do you want me to release for you? they said, Barabbas. Pilate said to them: But in that case, what am I to do with Jesus who is called Christ? They all said: Let him be crucified! Pilate asked: Why? What harm has he done? But they shouted all the louder, let him be crucified! Then Pilate saw that he was making no impression, that in fact a riot was imminent. So, he took some water, washed his hands in front of the crowd and said, I am innocent of this man's blood. It is your concern. And the people, to a man, shouted back, His blood be on us and on our children! Then he released Barabbas for them. He ordered Jesus to be first scourged and then handed over to be crucified.

The governor's soldiers took Jesus with them into the Praetorium and collected the whole cohort round him. Then they stripped him and made him wear a scarlet cloak, and having twisted some thorns into a crown they put this on his head and placed a reed in his right hand. To make fun of him they knelt to him saying, Hail, king of the Jews!

And they spat on him and took the reed and struck him on the head with it. And when they had finished making fun of him, they took off the cloak and dressed him in his own clothes and led him away to crucify him.

On their way out, they came across a man from Cyrene, Simon by name, and enlisted him to carry his cross. When they had reached a place called Golgotha, that is, the place of the skull, they gave him wine to

drink mixed with gall, which he tasted but refused to drink. When they had finished crucifying him, they shared out his clothing by casting lots, and then sat down and stayed there keeping guard over him.

Above his head was placed the charge against him; it read: 'This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.' At the same time two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left.

The passers-by jeered at him; they shook their heads and said, so you would destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days! Then save yourself! If you are God's son, come down from the cross! The chief priests with the scribes and elders mocked him in the same way, saying: He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the king of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He puts his trust in God; now let God rescue him if he wants him. For he did say, 'I am the son of God.' Even the robbers who were crucified with him taunted him in the same way.

From the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour, Jesus cried out in a loud voice, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?

That is, 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some of those who stood there heard this, they said. The man is calling on Elijah, and one of them quickly ran to get a sponge which he dipped in vinegar and, putting it on a reed, gave it him to drink. The rest of them said: Wait! See if Elijah will come to save him. But Jesus, again crying out in a loud voice, yielded up his spirit.

Here all kneel and pause for a short time.

At that, the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom; the earth quaked; the rocks were split; the tombs opened, and the bodies of many holy men rose from the dead, and these, after his resurrection, came out of the tombs, entered the Holy City and appeared to a number of people. Meanwhile the centurion, together with the others guarding Jesus, had seen the earthquake and all that was taking place, and they were terrified and said, In truth this was a son of God.

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