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EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

| Saturday 08 Apr | 7-30pm | EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT | Kathleen Larkin [M&D] |
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| Sunday 09 Apr | 11-00am | EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD | Anne Knowles [A] |
| Monday 10 Apr | NO MASS | MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER | |
| Tuesday 11 Apr | NO MASS | TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER | |
| Wed 12 Apr | NO MASS | WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER | |
| Thursday 13 Apr | NO MASS | 6-00pm Reception into church for Malcolm Glover RIP | |
| Friday 14 Apr | 2-30pm | Requiem Mass | Malcolm Glover [LD] |
| Saturday 15 Apr | 5-00pm 5-30pm | Confessions Vigil Mass | Jocye Carr [LD] |
| Sunday 16 Apr | 11-00am | DIVINE MERCY | Evelyn Corr [A] |

Tea & Coffee after Sunday Mass today (From 11.45 - 12.45)
Staffed by the SVP

THIS 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.

EASTER 2023

Welcome to our parish, looking toward the altar and the Heart of the church where the priest celebrates Mass in the midst of the congregation, the great image of Christ on the cross is there to remind you that he died that we might have life and that having risen from the dead he draws us with him into Resurrection - you can trust completely in Him. Thank you for your visit during this most holy season and may you travel on in safety.

EASTER 2023 – Holy Saturday is sacred as the day of the Lord's rest. The day is and should be the calmest and quietest day of the entire Church year, a day broken by no liturgical function. Christ lies in the grave; the Church sits near and mourns. After the great battle He is resting in peace, but upon Him we see the scars of intense suffering...The mortal wounds on His Body remain visible...Jesus' enemies are still furious, attempting to obliterate the very memory of the Lord by lies and slander.

We watch the night as it becomes filled with the radiance of the risen Christ. Our night will be illuminated with the paschal candle, symbol of the light of Christ rising. We trace on the candle the Alpha and Omega and the date saying: "Christ yesterday and today, the beginning and the end, to him belong all the ages." Then in the light of the paschal candle we read a series of readings from the Old Testament which tell the history of salvation from the creation of Man through the call of Abraham, the Exodus, Ezekiel's prophecy that the Lord promises to pour clean water over his people and cleanse them from sin and defilement. Our vigil ends with the Gloria, and the triple Easter Alleluia hailing the proclamation of the Gospel of the resurrection.

Thank you for attending church at Easter. My sincere thanks to musicians, choir, readers, flower arrangers, sacristans, and everyone whose hard work ensured a fitting celebration of the liturgy during Holy Week and Easter. An enormous amount of hard work goes on behind the scenes and I am grateful to everyone who has contributed... I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the cards, letters and Easter offering (your gift to the Parish Priest) - Wishing everyone a blessed Eastertide. Fr Larkin

MASS ATTENDANCE JAN – MARCH TOTALS

It is good to see that we are recovering from the pandemic and people feel confident to come to church.

| Total | Year | |
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| 2681 | (2023) | |
| 1845 | (2022) | |
| 1196 | (2021) | |
| 2525 | (2020) | |
| 3872 | (2019) | |

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

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

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.tangneytours.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.)

RECCRUITMENT 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.

S Sunday 9th + EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf. Ps 138: 18, 5-6

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

FIRST READING A reading from the Acts of the Apostles Acts 10:34,37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the

fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses — we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead — and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 117(118):1-2,16-17,22-23

RESPONSE: This day was made by the Lord: we rejoice and are glad.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say:

'His love has no end.' R.

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to

Colossians

Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence

Victimae Paschali Laudes

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.
The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; and Christ, the undefiled, hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended: combat strangely ended! Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign. Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way. The tomb the Living did enclose; I saw Christ's glory as he rose! The angels there attesting; shroud with grave-clothes resting. Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee. That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. Victorious king, thy mercy show!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1Cor5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed: let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

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.