

# Sacred Heart & St. Patrick

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## Sunday 23rd + THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday 22 Apr	5-00pm 5-30pm	Confession VIGIL MASS	John Buntain [A]
Sunday 23 Apr	11-00am	THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	Eileen & Edgar Helliwell
Monday 24 Apr	Private Mass	SAINT GEORGE, MARTYR AND PATRON OF ENGLAND	For my dear parents
Tuesday 25 Apr	09-30am	ST MARK, EVANGELIST	Albert Edward Bellis [LD]
Wed 26 Apr		Weekday of Easter	
Thursday 27 Apr	7-30pm	Weekday of Easter	Alexander and Silvia Pachowko [A]
Friday 28 Apr	9-30am	Weekday of Easter	Catherine Bellis [A]
Saturday 29 Apr	5-00pm 5-30pm	Confessions Vigil Mass	Deceased of the Oldfield & Teesdale families
Sunday 30 Apr	11-00am	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Cindy Townend [LD]

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

**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.

**THE LADIES GROUP** are hosting an evening beginning with the Rosary in our church followed by a social and supper on **Wednesday 24 May 2023 at 7pm.**

This used to be held yearly before the Pandemic and we would like to re-start it again.

We would begin with the Holy Rosary in church (maybe outside by the Grotto, weather permitting) followed by a social and supper in the hall.

**PARISH GIVING** - Many thanks to all who are so generously continuing to give much needed support to the Parish. **BANKED / 18 April £375** plus standing orders of £1220 per month.

**Tea & Coffee** to be transferring to parish Acc £405 and **£205 in cash** – Many thanks to all concerned.

**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.

**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.

**HOLY SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** A date and time for your child's Baptism can be provisionally given once you have completed the parish form and established a relationship with the parish. The choice of godparents is important. A godparent is a role model for your child by living a fully Christian life, there are usually two godparents. Godparents must be at least 16yrs of age, practising Catholics and should have received the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. Parents are responsible for instructing and forming their children in both the teaching and practice of the Catholic faith. Although Catholic schools exist to help parents in this regard, they are not a substitute for it. The best instruction that you can give your child is through commitment to the Mass. As you make this request for your child, it should also be a reality in your own life. If after reading this information you feel ready to present, your child to the Church for Baptism please see Fr Larkin after Mass for Pre-Baptism form.

#### **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.

<b>Total</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>2681</b>	<b>(2023)</b>
1845	(2022)

**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. If 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](mailto:bishop@dioceseofleeds.org.uk) by **Friday 28 April 2023**.

**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](http://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.)

**DIOCESE OF LEEDS PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2023 UPDATE:** The Hotels Padoue and Eliseo are now fully booked. We have secured further rooms in The Hotel Roissy, another 4-star hotel next to the Padoue. We are unable to offer nursing assistance in the remaining hotels, although wheelchair-only assistance is available in all hotels. The flight from Leeds is now fully booked. If you still would like to join the pilgrimage, there is the option of flying from Manchester to Carcassonne. Wheelchair assistance is available on the Manchester flight, but all pilgrims requiring it will need to be assisted by an able-bodied pilgrim. Please contact Tangney Tours to book, or if you have any questions, on 01732 886666.

**FIRST COMMUNION** Please find information below relating to what will be offered to you and your child this year in terms of Sacramental Preparation. If your child is a baptised Catholic, has made their First Confession last/this year, he/she can continue their sacramental journey by making their **First Communion - Sacrament of the Eucharist** this academic year whilst in Year 4. The after-school sessions which will be held here at Sacred Heart will help prepare your child and we would like to invite you to support the programme by accompanying your son/daughter to the following sessions.

Communion Workshops for **CHILDREN AND ADULTS** at Sacred Heart Voluntary Academy Sowerby Bridge

- Thursday 20 April 2023 (3:45 – 4:45pm)
- Thursday 27 April 2023(3:45 – 4:45pm)
- Thursday 11 May 2023 (3:45 – 4:45pm)
- Thursday 18 May 2023 (3:45 – 4:45pm)
- **Friday 19 May 2023 (3:45 – 4:45pm) Rehearsal in Church**

- First Communion Celebration – **Sunday 21 May (11-00am)** at Sacred Heart & St Patrick’s Church.
- The programme will run on very similar lines to the First Confession programme in Y3, which your child has already been through. If your child attends all the preparation sessions, he/she will be making their *First Communion at Sacred Heart & St Patrick’s Church on Sunday 21 May 2023 (11am)*.
- This year we will be using ‘Called to His Supper and there will be a charge of £10 for the book used.

Please be aware that there is an expectation that your child also attends Sunday Mass each week during their preparation. We would like you to attend so that you and your family can feel fully part of the preparation process. Please put all the relevant dates in your diaries to ensure you can attend all the workshops.

### **CATHOLIC CARE VACANCIES**

- Support Worker + Outreach; Salary: Spinal Point SP3 £21,029 to SP7 £22,369 (dependent on qualifications and experience). Full Time, Part time & Care Bank positions available. (*Would consider, flexible and weekend working contracts*). Shifts patterns to include weekends and bank holidays. Sleep in allowance payable. Location: Bingley or Allerton Park Leeds. Open until the vacancy has been filled Interview Date: To be arranged with applicant.
- Waking Nights Support Worker; Salary: Spinal Point SP3 £21,029 to SP7 £22,369 (dependent on qualifications and experience) Post: To ensure the safety, wellbeing and comfort of tenants between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7a.m. 18 hours per week. Shifts patterns to include weekends and bank holidays. Location: Leeds; Open until the vacancy has been filled. Interview Date: To be arranged with applicant.

To apply for these positions please download the application form, complete and submit online:

<http://www.catholic-care.org.uk/recruit.../latest-vacancies/> or telephone 0113 3885400 to request an application pack.

### **SCHOOL VACANCIES:**

- Class Teacher, Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School, Ilkley, Start: September 2023. Closing date: Friday 28 April. Further info: <https://www.bishopwheelercatholicacademytrust.org/trust-vacancies>. To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Heather Cheetham, on 01943 609578. Further details attached.
- Teacher of History, St. Mary’s, Menston. Start: September 2023. Closing date: Tuesday 9 May. Further info: <https://www.bishopwheelercatholicacademytrust.org/trust-vacancies>. Further details attached.

**LTU “LEADERSHIP, FAITH & SPIRITUALITY IN THE CATHOLIC CURRICULUM” CONFERENCE:** Leeds Trinity University, 13 – 14 May. More details: [a.mealey@leedstrinity.ac.uk](mailto:a.mealey@leedstrinity.ac.uk). Poster attached.

**MISSION HALIFAX:** 15-18 May, St Mary's Church, HX1 5DH (Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 7pm), & Square Chapel, HX1 1QG (Tuesday, 7.30pm). You are invited to go deeper in your faith journey at Mission Halifax. There will be opportunity for reconciliation, praise and worship with creative collective One Hope Project, a healing service, and Mass of the Ascension with Bishop Marcus. For more information on each evening, follow Mission Halifax on Instagram or Facebook - @missionhalifax

**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](mailto:briery@btconnect.com)

**BRIERY RETREAT:** The date has changed for the 6-Day residential Preached Retreat led by Bishop John Crowley to 26 April-2 May 2023 at the Briery Retreat Centre, Ilkley. “Rest, and you will see, See and you

will love, Love and you will praise” (St Augustine). For more information and to book a place please contact the Briery on 01943 607287 or email [briery@btconnect.com](mailto:briery@btconnect.com)

**READINGS, PRAYERS AND MASS TEXTS** can be found at: [www.universalis.com](http://www.universalis.com)

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**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** Cf. Ps 65: 1-2

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;

O sing to the glory of his name.

O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

**FIRST READING** A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 2:14,22-33

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: ‘Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him:

I saw the Lord before me always,  
for with him at my right hand nothing can shake me.

So my heart was glad  
and my tongue cried out with joy;  
my body, too, will rest in the hope  
that you will not abandon my soul to Hades  
nor allow your holy one to experience corruption.

You have made known the way of life to me,  
you will fill me with gladness through your presence.

‘Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn him an oath to make one of his descendants succeed him on the throne, what he foresaw and spoke about was the resurrection of the Christ: he is the one who was not abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the heights by God’s right hand, he has received from the Father the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you see and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.’

The word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

**PSALM**

Psalm 15(16):1-2,5,7-11

**RESPONSE:** Show us, Lord, the path of life.

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

I say to the Lord: ‘You are my God.

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;

it is you yourself who are my prize.’ **R.**

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,  
who even at night directs my heart.

I keep the Lord ever in my sight:  
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **R.**

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;  
even my body shall rest in safety.  
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,  
nor let your beloved know decay. **R.**

You will show me the path of life,  
the fullness of joy in your presence,  
at your right hand happiness for ever. **R.**

## **SECOND READING**

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

1 Peter 1:17-21

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason – so that you would have faith and hope in God.

The word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

cf. Lk 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, explain the Scriptures to us.

Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.

Alleluia!

## **GOSPEL** The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 24:13-35

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?'

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

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.*