Sacred Heart & St. Patrick

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Sunday 30th + SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 29 July	5-00pm 5-30pm	Confession VIGIL MASS	Dougie Viney [LD]	
Sunday 30 July	11-00am	SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Helena Mazur [A]	
Monday 31 July	Private Mass	St Ignatius of Loyola		
Tuesday 01 Aug	09-30am	St Alphonsus Liguori	November Dead List 2022/23	
Wednesday 02 Aug		St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop		
Thursday 03 Aug	7-30pm	St Oswald, Martyr	Terry & Doreen Carroll	
Friday 04 Aug	9-30am	St John Vianney	November Dead List 2022/23	
Saturday 05 Aug	5-00pm 5-30pm	Confession VIGIL MASS	Deceased of the Oldfield & Teesdale families	
Sunday 06 Aug	11-00am	THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD	Catherine Bentley	

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 and may you travel on in safety.

PARISH GIVING - Many thanks to all who are so generously continuing to give support to the Parish. **BANKED** | 25 July £365 plus standing orders of ~£1220 per month (approx. £281.53 per week) **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

Reporting Timetable for the new financial year is summarised below:

Quarter endingStatements issued to ParishParish Return submitted on30 June 2023Monday 17 July 2023Monday 17 July 2023

THE SVP will be having a tombola stall at the Rush Bearing Festival to raise money for our good causes. We are appealing to our parishioners to donate any unwanted gifts. toiletries, bottles etc for prizes for our stall. A box will be in the church porch for donations. Thank you.

The school holidays can be a difficult time financially for families and the SVP can provide support. There are also other agencies that can help as follows:

Healthy Holidays. Free holiday club places for children on benefits-related free school meals http://www.calder.gov.uk/healthyholidays

Healthy start vouchers. Help to buy fruit, vegetables, and milk if you are pregnant or have a child under 4 and are on a low income. Tel no 0300 330 7010 healthystart.nhs.uk - email healthy.start@nhsbas.uk **Children's Centres**. Support for issues affecting families including money, benefits, and debt. http://www.calderdale.gov.uk/childrenscentres

IT'S HERE: THE BIBLE & CATECHISM APP The word of God and the complete teachings of the Catholic Church. Answers and commentary by Fr. Mike Schmitz, Jeff Cavins, and other experts. Video, audio, and textual commentary. Right on your phone. Download the Ascension App. Search App store or Google Play.

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CATENIANS Any Catholic men wishing to learn more about the Catenians can call Membership Officer Dennis Donnelly on 01484 606042.

PIETY STALL As you enter our beautiful church through the side entrance you will see the well-stocked Piety Stall. We have a wide selection of suitable cards.

ARE YOU GOING TO UNIVERSITY THIS YEAR? Make sure you look out for your Catholic Chaplaincy. To find your local Chaplaincy, and for contact details of all the University Chaplains and Catholic Student Societies, visit www.catholicsatuniversity.org.uk.

SAFEGUARDING Irene Hellowell 07432121757 is available to provide advice, support whenever it is needed along with Safeguarding Administrator – Joanne Clark at the diocesan office Tel: 0113 261 8046

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN We are planning to run another 40 Days for Life Campaign from 27 September to 5 November, a peaceful and prayerful Christian witness outside the MSI Choices Leeds abortion facility. At the moment we are still free to witness and pray there. The Public Order Act 2023 section 9 would make it illegal for us to be nearer than 150m from the facility, but this section has not been put into effect as a commencement regulation is needed first.

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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.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Please keep the **Father Paul Moores** in your prayers Ordination to the Priesthood Saturday 01 July 2023. Please keep Heather Bedford in your prayers she passed away yesterday afternoon (Wednesday 26) following a sudden illness. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

Please pray for peace in Ukraine and Sudan, all who are sick, our housebound parishioners, for those in distress and bereaved; and for all who have died recently, and for those who anniversaries occur at this time.

Let us pray for all those who are close to death, especially those who are alone, that they would always be treated with respect and have their human dignity upheld. Lord hear us

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

FIRST READING A reading from the book of Kings

1 Kings 3:5,7-12

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its number cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 118(119):57,72,76-77,127-130

RESPONSE: Lord, how I love your law!

My part, I have resolved, O Lord, is to obey your word.

The law from your mouth means more to me than silver and gold. **R.**

Let your love be ready to console me by your promise to your servant. Let your love come and I shall live for your law is my delight. **R.**

That is why I love your commands more than finest gold, why I rule my life by your precepts, and hate false ways. **R.**

Your will is wonderful indeed; therefore I obey it. The unfolding of your word gives light and teaches the simple. **R.** We know that by turning everything to their good, God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf.Jn15:15

Alleluia, alleluia!
I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my Father.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 13:44-52

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

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.