Sacred Heart & St. Patrick

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Sunday 1st October + TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY

Saturday 30 Sep	5-00pm 5-30pm	Confession VIGIL MASS	Fr Larkin from Ladies Group
Sunday 01 Oct	11-00am	TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY	Tina Barratt [LD]
Monday 02 Oct	NO PUBLIC MASS	The Holy Guardian Angels	
Tuesday 03 Oct	09-30am	Weekday	Kathleen MM Larkin d.2005 [A]
Wednesday 04 Oct		St Francis of Assisi	
Thursday 05 Oct	NO PUBLIC MASS	Weekday	
Friday 06 Oct	9-30am	St Bruno, Priest Text of Mass for a Synod Roman Missal, pp.1310 to 1311	James Akroyd
Saturday 07 Oct	5-00pm 5-30pm	Confession VIGIL MASS	November Dead List 2022/23
Sunday 08 Oct	11-00am	TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY	Successful Operation

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.

OCTOBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY What consolation the Rosary brings. Remembering the mysteries of Christ's life and Our Lady's life, we repeat Hail Mary after Hail Mary. Indeed, the mysteries of the Holy Rosary - joyful, sorrowful, glorious, and luminous - are the mysteries of our own lives as well. As we pray the Rosary, we ask Our Lady to draw us closer to Jesus who is our Light. We remember as well that for many saints the Rosary was an indispensable part of their daily prayer.

PARISH GIVING – A Testament to your generosity.

TEA AND COFFEE £250.00 thank for all your support.

TO BE BANKED | 26 SEP £360.00 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. Thank you.

PARISH RACE NIGHT Thank you to all who join us as we revive a much-missed tradition with our Race Night, an event we haven't hosted in a few years. More details next week.

MONDAY 09 OCTOBER is the anniversary of the death of Bishop David Konstant (2016) May he rest in the peace of Christ.

FR. LARKIN HAS BEEN APPOINTED TO THE FINANCE AND PROPERTY SUB-COMMITTEE for the Diocese of Leeds. Considering this new role, I will be attending regular meetings, including those scheduled for **Wednesday, 11 October, Wednesday, 15 November**, and a Tuesday December meeting, to contribute to the strategic financial and property management decisions of our Diocese. I ask for your understanding and support as I takes on this role to further the growth and development of our Diocesan community. All meeting take place at Hinsley Hall, Headingley Lane, Leeds.

A NEW ENGLISH LECTIONARY In England and Wales a new translation of the readings at Holy Mass will come into use from **Advent 2024**. This is based on the Catholic Edition of the English Standard Version Bible.

PRAYER FOR THE XVI ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SYNOD OF BISHOPS The XVI General Assembly of the Synod of bishops will be opened by Pope Francis on 04 October and the Holy Father has asked for prayers of the whole Church to support the forthcoming Synod. As requested in my recent Pastoral Letter, I ask that parishes include the prayer, Adsumus Sancte Spiritus, following the Prayer after Communion and before the dismissal at the conclusion of weekday and Sunday Masses during the course of the Synod. Copies of the prayer card with the Adsumus will be sent to all parishes prior to 04 October. I hope too, that where the liturgical calendar permits, at least one weekday Mass will be celebrated in each parish during the period of the Synod using the proper texts from the Roman Missal, 'For a Synod'. As the month of October is dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary, I invite you to consider offering a decade of the Rosary each week to pray for the maternal intercession of the Mother of God for the Church and the Synod. Please pray for our Holy Father Pope Francis, for me your bishop, and for all the bishops, religious and lay faithful taking part in the Synodal Assembly in Rome.

MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY The annual Mass for the deceased bishops, priests and deacons of the Diocese will take place at Leeds Cathedral on Friday 17 November, 12:30pm. All are welcome to attend.

FORTHCOMING ORDINATIONS TO THE DIACONATE Please pray for **Mr Martin Fenion**, from the parish of St Wilfrid, Ripon, and **Mr Nicholas Stoddart**, from the parish of St John Mary Vianney, Leeds, who are both in formation for the permanent diaconate for our diocese. Martin and Nicholas will be ordained to the diaconate on Saturday 25 November 2023, 11:00am at Leeds Cathedral. All are invited to attend the Ordination Mass.

Please pray also for **Mr Alex Noad**, in formation for the priesthood for our diocese. Alex will be ordained by Bishop Marcus to the diaconate on Saturday 16 December 2023 St Mary's College, Oscott.

ANNUAL MASS COUNT A reminder that the annual count of Mass attendance should be made over the last two weekends of September (16/17 and 23/24) and the first two weekends of October (30 September/1 October and 7/8 October). This allows for parishes to avoid the weekends of the school half-term holiday. Thank you for your cooperation in arranging the Mass count.

INSTALLATION OF NEW CANONS OF THE CATHEDRAL CHAPTER I am pleased to inform you that the bishop appointed **Fr Martin Kelly** as members of the Cathedral Chapter. This and other appointments will fill the vacancies resulting from the retirement from office at the end of the month of August, of Canons Lawrie Hulme, **Kevin Firth**, and Michael Mahady. The Very Reverend Canon **Martin Kelly** and others will be installed as Canons of the Cathedral Chapter during the celebration of Holy Mass at Leeds Cathedral on **Tuesday 31 October 2023, 12:30pm**. If anyone wishes to attend this Mass, please turn up in good time.

SVP - We would like to make a request for donations for the Happy Days charity based in Halifax which provides help and support to the homeless and those in crisis. The items they need are, new underwear, toiletries, men's deodorant, winter coats and shoes for their winter shelter. They are also always looking

for food donations which will support the community supermarket and the free cafe. A box will be provided for your donations in the church porch. Thank you. Your generosity as always will be very much appreciated.

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

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

MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR/FUNDRAISER VACANCY Diocese of Leeds Music is seeking to recruit an Administrator and Fundraiser for thirty hours per week. More information and an application pack available from recruitment@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk, and a preliminary discussion can also be requested through this email address. Closing date is 12 noon on Tuesday, 3 October 2023.

ST PAUL'S BOOKSHOP Based at Hinsley Hall, is now stocking a full range of items for Advent and Christmas including candles, calendars, nativity sets, cards and seasonal reading. Tel. 0113 275 4043

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.

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

FIRST READING A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

Ezekiel 18:25-28

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

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

PSALM Psalm 24(25):4-9

RESPONSE: Remember your mercy, Lord.

Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour. R.

Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. R.

The Lord is good and upright.

He shows the path to those who stray,
He guides the humble in the right path,
He teaches his way to the poor. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Philippians

Philippians 2:1-11

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus: His state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself

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 Jn14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

GOSPEL A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 21:28-32

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go," but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir," but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER POPE FRANCIS FOR OCTOBER 2023

Please remember in your prayers the following intention: For the Synod We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD OF BISHOPS ADSUMUS SANCTE SPIRITUS

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen. Our Lady of Unfailing Help... Pray for us!

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

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