Sacred Heart & St. Patrick

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Sunday 28th + FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 27 Jan	5-00pm 5-30pm	Confession VIGIL MASS	Ellen Horsley Recovery
Sunday 28 Jan	11-00am	FOURTH SUNDAY	Zygmund Wisniewski [A]
Monday 29 Jan	NO PUBLIC MASS	Weekday	Malachy & Margaret Gort House
Tuesday 30 Jan	09-30am	Weekday	Iris & Albino Seghetti [A]
Wednesday 31 Jan		St John Bosco, Priest	
Thursday 01 Feb	NO PUBLIC MASS	Weekday	Miss N Purcell (1922)
Friday 02 Feb	09-30am	THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD	Nov Dead List 2023/24
Saturday 03 Feb	5-00pm 5-30pm	Confession VIGIL MASS	Deceased of the Oldfield & Teesdale families
Sunday 04 Feb	11-00am	FIFTH SUNDAY	Jeanie Phillips [LD]

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

WELCOME to our parish as we gather in the warmth of our church, gazing towards the altar, our hearts are drawn to the poignant symbol of our faith, the image of Christ on the cross. This powerful representation serves as a solemn reminder of His ultimate sacrifice, offering us the gift of life and the promise of Resurrection. Thank you for joining us and may you travel onwards in safety and God's grace.

PARISH GIVING – thank you for all your support it is very much appreciated.

BANKED | 22 JAN £325 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.

THE LADIES GROUP will next meet on Friday, February 9, 2024, | Friday, February 23, 2024

HOSPITAL Just a reminder, if a relative or friend goes into either Huddersfield Royal Infirmary, or Calderdale Royal Hospital, could you please let Deacon Andrew know on 07986537430. Emai: andrew.phillips@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

DIOCESAN YEARBOOK 2024 The annual publication provides a very valuable physical record and guide to the life and mission of our Diocese. Available today only £5.00.

THE LECTIO DIVINA GROUP Meetings will take place on Tuesdays at 1pm and will focus on the coming week's Gospel. More details or to join the group contact Malcolm or Mary Henry on 01422 831923.

IN ENGLAND AND WALES a new translation of the readings at Mass will come into use from **Advent 2024**. This is based on the Catholic Edition of the English Standard Version Bible.

CALDERDALE HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY COMMEMORATION Thursday 01 February 6.30pm-8.00pm. Percival Whitley Centre, Calderdale College, Francis Street, Halifax, HX1 3UZ. All welcome.

CHANGE TO ST PAUL'S BOOKSHOP OPENING HOURS Due to staffing changes, from January 2024 St Paul's Bookshop at Hinsley Hall Leeds, will not regularly be open on Saturdays.

THE UNIVERSE CATHOLIC WEEKLY To subscribe for the paper to be sent direct to your home, contact michelle.jones@universecatholicweekly.co.uk or 07436 617650.

AID TO CHURCH IN NEED PILGRIMAGE Travel the pilgrim paths of the early church in Durham, Lindisfarne, Escomb, Ruthwell and Jarrow with Saints Cuthbert and Bede. Including reflections on the persecuted Church of today and history of the early church led by our pilgrim historian Suze Mathews who specialises in Anglo Saxon history and by Fr Howard. Opportunities for communal prayer of the Divine Office, daily Mass and devotions. 22 – 27 July 2024. More information and booking email Teresa.kehoe@acnuk.org.

YORKSHIRE LAY DOMINICANS lay Dominicans are lay people, married and single, who commit themselves to lives based around prayer, study, community and preaching. For more details see http://laydominicans.org.uk/about-us/ if you are interested in being part of a lay Dominican group in Yorkshire, please contact Simon Hewitt at s.hewitt@leeds.ac.uk

THE BRIERY, ILKLEY The weekly online meditations will resume on Thursday 18 January. Join us for a short meditation on the Sunday Gospel from 7.30pm to 8.15pm. The Zoom opens at 7.15pm for a chat. All are welcome. Register for Zoom link by emailing: admin@briery.co.uk or call 01943 607287. The Spice of life - Tasting God in All Things — a quiet day of prayer and reflection led by Angela Rogerson on Wednesday 7 February 2024 10.00am to 4.00pm at The Briery, cost £48. Lenten Day of Reflection with Fr Dennis Cassidy on Saturday 24 February 10am to 4pm, cost £40

WALK IN FATHER BROWN'S FOOTSTEPS Pilgrimage for Priestly Vocations: Saturday 16 March 2024 following the route over Ilkley Moor taken 120 years ago when GK Chesterton first met Fr John O'Connor (the Diocese of Leeds priest who was the inspiration for 'Fr Brown'). Starts at St Anne's, Keighley and ends with Stations of the Cross at Myddelton Calvary, Ilkley. More details:

https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/walking-towards-the-jubilee-in-father-browns-footsteps/Contact: communications@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

LEEDS DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: Friday 05 - Thursday 11 July 2024. Bookings will be opening in the next few weeks and can be made either online or by telephone with the tour operator. Assisted pilgrims needing support please complete medical forms before booking with the tour operator (please contact stephturner100@gmail.com for medical form) All pilgrims who have travelled with us previously, will receive information from the tour operator. Information can also be found on the Diocesan website. We welcome new volunteers, particularly nurses and we need a GP for 2024.

Please consider joining this rewarding service.

To volunteer, contact: lourdesrecruitment@dioceseofleeds.org.uk Any questions, contact: lourdes.enquiries@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING WEBPAGE Over the past few months, the diocese has developed a new safeguarding webpage, full of information and resources. It can be found at https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/safeguarding/

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

MASS INTENTIONS If you would like a Mass offering for a particular intention or for the repose of the soul of a loved one, please put your offering in an envelope and write the name of the intention, the date requested and your contact details and pop it into the collection box or through the presbytery letterbox. In most parishes, there are never more than three maybe four weeks of Mass intentions outstanding at any one time.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR – Sadly Mount St. Joseph's Care Home in Headingley, Leeds, run by the Little Sisters of the Poor, will have to close by the end of June 2024, due to the fact that RAAC (Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete) has been found throughout 95% of the roof of the home. Following an inspection by architects and one of the UK's leading RAAC specialist surveyors, the insurers have stated that its condition is such that the home cannot continue to be used beyond next year. To ensure the safety

of all the residents, staff, Sisters and visitors, the upper floors of the building have been evacuated and strengthening girders have now been installed to allow the safe use of the lower floors for the temporary occupation of some of the residents. At some point post-June, the present buildings, the majority of which were constructed in 1971, will need to be demolished. The Sisters have been incredibly supportive and provided outstanding care for so many lay-people and clergy over many years. As a Diocesan family we owe the sisters a great debt of gratitude. Please hold in your prayers all those affected by the impending closure of Mount St Joseph's and through our remembrance of the sisters support them as they make plans for the future, witnessing to a trust in God's providence that a way can be found for the mission of the sisters to continue in our diocese.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS we tend to shun thinking about death and preparations for funerals. But sometimes a little preparation can help, especially those who are left behind. It might be an idea to have a chat with your family and friends about your funeral arrangement – Requiem Mass or funeral Service, Hymns, Scripture Readings. Perhaps having a monthly Mass said for the year. This will then be written down and placed with your papers in a safe place, so that when the time comes, we will know what to do.

VACANCIES

TEACHER VACANCIES Cardinal Heenan Catholic High School. Teacher of Spanish (0.5 FTE), Teacher of Science, Teacher of Music (Maternity cover). Closing date - Monday 29 January. Further information can be found on the school website www.cardinalheenan.com

TEACHER OF HISTORY VACANCY St. Mary's, Menston. Start: Easter 2024. Closing date: Monday, 05 February 2024. To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Jo-Anne Hughes, PA to SLT at ja.hughes@stmarysmenston.org. Further info at https://www.bishopwheelercatholicacademytrust.org/trust-vacancies

LAY CHAPLAIN VACANCY St Bede's and St Joseph's Catholic College. Start asap. Closing date Thursday 8 February 2024. Further information at http://sbsj.co.uk/vacancies/

HEADTEACHER VACANCY Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School, Leeds. Required September 2024. Closing date: Monday 19 February 2024. All applications must be on CES application form, which is available by emailing hr@sgtgcat.org.uk or from the Trust website – https://stgregorythegreatacademytrust.org.uk/

CATHOLIC CARE VACANCY School Social Worker Spinal Point SP18 £29,269 to SP25 £33,945 (dependent on qualifications and experience) Location: West Yorkshire (Full UK driving license required)Post: Permanent Part-time or Full-time positions available. For further details and how to apply please visit http://www.catholic-care.org.uk/recruit.../latest-vacancies/ or telephone 0113 3885400 to request an application form

REFUGEE SUPPORT WORKER Horsforth Chaplaincy Project Refugee Support Worker post. Fixed term 15 months – ideally starting 1 March 2024. 2 days equivalent a week - 15 hours, to be worked flexibly. Home based. Link for more information and application details:

https://www.horsforthchurchestogether.co.uk/parttime-refugee-support-worker-post-15-hrs/

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME Bishop Marcus Stock will be celebrating Confirmation on **Thursday 07** March 2024 / 7pm at St Mary's Church Halifax.

LESSONS led by Mrs Hutchings

Thursday 08 February (11-12) The Gift of Service / The Gift of Confirmation If you are unable to attend here, alternative dates/times for our Catholic family of schools can be found on our School Website.

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Moses said to the people: 'The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like myself, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. This is what you yourselves asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly. "Do not let me hear again" you said "the voice of the Lord my God, nor look any longer on this great fire, or I shall die"; and the Lord said to me, "All they have spoken is well said. I will raise up a prophet like yourself for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him. The man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, shall be held answerable to me for it. But the prophet who presumes to say in my name a thing I have not commanded him to say, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die."'

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

PSALM Psalm 94(95):1-2,6-9

RESPONSE: O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts.'

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. **R.**

Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us: for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. **R.**

O that today you would listen to his voice!

'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.' R.

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter to the Corinthians

1 Corinthians 7:32f

I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 1:21-28

Jesus and his disciples went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the sabbath came he went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority.

In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.

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.

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