

# Sacred Heart & St. Patrick

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## SUNDAY 24th MARCH 2024 + PALM SUNDAY

<b>Saturday</b> 23 Mar	<b>5-00PM</b> <b>5-30PM</b>	<b>CONFESSION</b> <b>VIGIL MASS</b>	<b>Paul Collins [LD]</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 24 Mar	<b>11-00AM</b>	<b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	<b>Anne Barker [A]</b>
Monday 25 Mar	NO PUBLIC MASS	MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK	Nov Dead List 2023/24
<b>Tuesday</b> 26 Mar	<b>09.30AM</b>	<b>TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK</b>	<b>Nov Dead List 2023/24</b>
<b>Wednesday</b> 27 Mar	<b>11.00AM</b>	<b>REQUIEM MASS</b>	<b>Pat Burns [LD]</b>
Thursday 28 Mar		<b>MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER</b> <b>Good Shepherd - 7-30pm</b>	<b>Timothy Larkin [LD]</b>
<b>Friday</b> 29 Mar	<b>3pm</b>	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> <b>SERVICE</b>	<b>The Passion of the Lord</b>
<b>Saturday</b> 30 Mar	<b>7-30pm</b>	<b>EASTER VIGIL</b>	<b>Anne Knowles [A]</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 31 Mar	<b>11-00am</b>	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>	<b>Kathleen &amp; Timothy Larkin</b> <b>and Kathleen M M Larkin [A]</b>

**Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm – 5.30pm**  
**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 before you go that he died that we might have life - you can trust completely in Him.  
Thank you for your visit and may you travel on in safety.

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

**BANKED | 18 MAR £305.00** plus standing orders of £1430 per month.

Collection for Catholic Care **£384.94**– thank you.

**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.

**MAY HE REST IN PEACE** keep in your prayers **Patrick Burns**. Pray for his family and friends who mourn for him. Funeral arrangements, reception into church Tuesday 26 March at 6pm and **Requiem Mass Wednesday 27 March at 11.00am**

**2024 -25 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** The new envelopes are available at the back of church – please check your box carefully - I have had to change some of the numbers.

Thank you for all your help in reducing costs by Switching to Standing Order.

### **EASTER 2024**

**EASTER CARDS AND MASS CARDS** Available at the back of Church

**PALM SUNDAY – Sunday 24 March – 11-00am – Starting in the church hall.**

The liturgy gives us a preview of the events we will celebrate in the Easter Triduum.

### **THE CHRISM MASS – Holy Wednesday 27 March - 11:00am**

Leeds Cathedral, Cathedral House, Great George Street, LEEDS LS2 8BE

Tel: 0113 245 4545. All welcome to attend – be seated by 10.45am.

**THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM** begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday and includes Good Friday of the Lord's Passion and Holy Saturday, centres upon the Easter Vigil, and concludes with Evening Prayer on Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection.

I invite you to join me at the **Good Shepherd** Mytholmroyd for **Holy Thursday 28 March 7-30pm** – Mass of the Lord's Supper – Watching before the Altar of Repose until 9-00pm. All welcome to attend.

### **GOOD FRIDAY 29 March**

**10.00am** Join us and Christians Together in Sowerby Bridge for our Walk of Witness.

Starting from the church hall from 10.00am ready to begin at 10.30am.

**3-00pm** Celebration of the Lord's Passion- A Day of Fasting and Abstinence

**VIGIL OF EASTER HOLY SATURDAY 30 March 7-30PM** be seated by 7-25pm.

**EASTER SUNDAY 31 March SUNDAY** First Holy Mass of Easter Day - Good Shepherd – 09-30am

Followed by Holy Mass at **Sacred Heart & St. Patrick - 11-00am**

**HOSPITAL** if a relative or friend goes into either Huddersfield Royal Infirmary, or Calderdale Royal Hospital, could you please let Deacon Andrew know on 07986537430.

**DIOCESAN YEARBOOK 2024** a valuable guide to the life of our Diocese. Available today only £5.00.

**THE UNIVERSE CATHOLIC WEEKLY** To subscribe, contact Michelle on 07436 617650.

**YOUR VOTE MATTERS - DON'T LOSE IT** St Vincent De Paul and CAFOD wants to help the Catholic voice be heard in the next General Election, and we want to make sure our politicians make tackling poverty a priority. With over 5 million Catholics in the UK the next general election is an opportunity to bring attention to the big issues of our time. Visit. | <https://svp.org.uk/encounter> | <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote>

**PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES** The next annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes **Friday 5 – Thursday 11 July**.

from Leeds/Bradford Airport: The theme is 'and that people should come in Procession'. Booking now open and places are filling up. Please book with Tangney Tours T: 01732 886666 or online: <https://www.tangney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-leeds/>.

Further information is available at <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage/>. If you are interested in volunteering, (especially appealing for doctors, particularly GPs and nurses) please contact: [lourdes.enquiries@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:lourdes.enquiries@dioceseofleeds.org.uk). Dates for your diary: Sunday 14 April Meet the pilgrims, Hinsley Hall, 2-4pm. Saturday 8 June Pre-departure Mass 11:30am Leeds Cathedral.

**Preparation for the Second Session of the Synod of Bishops** Preparations are now underway for the second session of the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops in Rome this October 2024. The Synod Office in Rome has asked the local Churches to reflect on the following specific question: 'HOW can we be a synodal Church in mission?' For further information on this stage of the synodal process and to submit any reflections please visit the diocesan synodal webpages: <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/parish-to-mission/>.

**CELEBRATION OF MARRIED LIFE** On Saturday 18 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 are celebrating one of these special Anniversaries and you would like to take part in this celebration, please fill out this form and return it, by post or email, to the address below by Friday 03 May 2024 at the latest.

**Please complete the following:**

**Wife's First Name:** .....

**Wife's Surname:** .....

**Wife's Maiden name:** .....

**Husband's First Name:** .....

**Husband's Surname:** .....

**Address:** .....

**Postcode:** .....

**Email:** .....

**Telephone Number:** .....

**Date of Marriage:** .....

**Place of Marriage:** .....

*(Please include the name, town, and county of the church in which you were married)*

**Please send the completed form to:** Miss A Cooke, Bishop's House, 13 North Grange Road, Leeds, LS6 2BR  
or email to: [bishop.secretary@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:bishop.secretary@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

**Sunday 24th + PALM SUNDAY**

**FIRST READING**

Isaiah 50:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM**

Psalm 21(22)

**Response: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**

All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.' (R.)

Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet I can count every one of my bones. (R.)

They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! (R.)

I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled.  
'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory.  
Revere him, Israel's sons. (R.)

**SECOND READING**

Philippians 2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling 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.

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#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**

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#### **The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark**

Mark 15:1-39

First thing in the morning, the chief priests together with the elders and scribes – in short, the whole Sanhedrin – had their plan ready. They had Jesus bound and took him away and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate questioned him: Are you the king of the Jews? He answered, It is you who say it.

And the chief priests brought many accusations against him. Pilate questioned him again: Have you no reply at all? See how many accusations they are bringing against you! But, to Pilate's amazement, Jesus made no further reply.

At festival time Pilate used to release a prisoner for them, anyone they asked for. Now a man called Barabbas was then in prison with the rioters who had committed murder during the uprising. When the crowd went up and began to ask Pilate the customary favour, Pilate answered them. Do you want me to release for you the king of the Jews? For he realised it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed Jesus over. The chief priests, however, had incited the crowd to demand that he should release Barabbas for them instead. Then Pilate spoke again: But in that case, what am I to do with the man you call king of the Jews?

They shouted back, Crucify him!

Pilate asked them, Why? What harm has he done?

But they shouted all the louder, Crucify him!

So Pilate, anxious to placate the crowd, released Barabbas for them and, having ordered Jesus to be scourged, handed him over to be crucified.

The soldiers led him away to the inner part of the palace, that is, the Praetorium, and called the whole cohort together. They dressed him up in purple, twisted some thorns into a crown and put it on him. And they began saluting him, Hail, king of the Jews!

They struck his head with a reed and spat on him; and they went down on their knees to do him homage. And when they had finished making fun of him, they took off the purple and dressed him in his own clothes. They enlisted a passer-by, Simon of Cyrene, father of Alexander and Rufus, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross. They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha, which means the place of the skull. They offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he refused it. Then they crucified him, and shared out his clothing, casting lots to decide what each should get. It was the third hour when they

crucified him. The inscription giving the charge against him read: 'The King of the Jews.' And they crucified two robbers with him, one on his right and one on his left.

The passers-by jeered at him; they shook their heads and said, So you would destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days! Then save yourself: come down from the cross! The chief priests and the scribes mocked him among themselves in the same way. They said, He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the king of Israel, come down from the cross now, for us to see it and believe. Even those who were crucified with him taunted him.

When the sixth hour came there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice,

Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?

which means, 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some of those who stood by heard this, they said Listen, he is calling on Elijah.

Someone ran and soaked a sponge in vinegar and, putting it on a reed, gave it him to drink, saying: Wait and see if Elijah will come to take him down. But Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

*All kneel and pause for a moment.*

And the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The centurion, who was standing in front of him, had seen how he had died, and he said, In truth this man was a son of God.

#### **PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER POPE FRANCIS FOR MARCH 2024**

Please remember in your prayers the following intention:

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

Please pray for peace in Ukraine and the Middle East, for all who are sick, our housebound parishioners, for those in distress and bereaved; and for all who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. Lord hear us

As we recall the welcome of the Lord into Jerusalem and then His Passion and Death, let us pray for that spirit of welcome, especially towards the most vulnerable, allowing us to see the Lord in people who are homeless, those who are disabled, immigrants, and the unborn. Lord hear us.

#### **MASS FROM LEEDS CATHEDRAL**

To participate online, please access the following YouTube channel: [www.leedscathedrallive.org.uk](http://www.leedscathedrallive.org.uk)

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