

Sacred Heart & St. Patrick

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Sunday 18th + TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 17 Aug	5-30PM	VIGIL MASS	Fr Nealon [LD]
Sunday 18 Aug	11-00AM	TWENTIETH SUNDAY	Missa pro populo
Monday 19 Aug	NO PUBLIC MASS	St John Eudes, Priest	Nov Dead List 2023/24
Tuesday 20 Aug	09-30am	St Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church	For friends in need
Wednesday 21 Aug	-	St Pius X, Pope	
Thursday 22 Aug	NO PUBLIC MASS	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Timothy Larkin [LD][B]
Friday 23 Aug	09-30am	St Rose of Lima, Virgin	Kathleen MM Larkin [AB]
Saturday 24 Aug	5-30PM	VIGIL MASS	Karl-Heinz Nagel [A]
Sunday 25 Aug	11-00AM	TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Missa pro populo

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm – 5.30pm
Tea & Coffee after Sunday Mass (From 11.45 - 12.45)

WELCOME to our parish, 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 | 12 AUG £380 - plus standing orders of £1430 per month.

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.

PERMANENT DIACONATE on Saturday 23 November – The bishop will ordain **Mr Paul Coates** to the Permanent Diaconate, St Mary's, Halifax, 11:00am. Please pray for Paul.

2024 RUSHBEARING will take place on the weekend of the 7/8 of September.

The Rushcart will arrive at church on **Saturday 07 between 12.45 and stay till 13.35.**

Saturday Route – <https://rushbearing.com/this-years-rushbearing/route-schedule/>

	Arrive	Depart
1	10:00 St John's Church	10:45
2	11:00 Warley Village / Maypole Inn	11:30
3	11:45 Hill Crest Bowling Club	12:30
4	12:45 St Patrick's Church / Shepherd's Rest Inn	13:30

The tradition of the Rushbearing Festival in Sowerby Bridge is deeply intertwined with the local church communities, notably Sacred Heart and St Patrick's. While the festival had its modern revival during the Queen's Silver Jubilee in 1977, its spiritual and communal significance dates back much further. The processions and celebrations over the weekend create a link between our present and our rich cultural history. The festival underlines the spiritual significance of the event. Historically, churches had earthen floors, and parishioners would carry rushes to the church to refresh the floor covering. Over time, this act of bringing rushes to the church transformed into the festive parade we know today. We have played an instrumental role in the revival and continuity of this tradition and our continued involvement pays homage to the historical intertwining of religious and community celebrations.

The Rushbearing Festival serves not just as an event of joy and camaraderie but also as a spiritual journey that helps bind the community together. I invite you to join us for the festival **Saturday 07 September**.

Rushbearing Festival A request for anyone willing to bake Buns/tarts/biscuits/ tray bake etc, to be sold at the Rushbearing event. Please let either Anne or Fiona know asap. Thank you.

Any help on the day from 10-00am onwards would be very welcome.

And for more details of the two-day event visit www.rushbearing.com –

THE LADIES GROUP - FUTURE MEETINGS

Meetings and activities Wednesdays 7.30pm- August 28, September 11 & 25

Coffee mornings Fridays 10am September 06. October 04.

THE SVP will be having a tombola stall at the annual Rush Bearing Festival on Saturday 7 September 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.

ASK YOUR MP TO PROTECT LIFE IN THE NEW PARLIAMENT Many MPs with a strong pro-life voting record in Parliament have lost their seats. This includes Sir Jacob Rees-Mogg, Fiona Bruce, Caroline Ansell, Miriam Cates, and Sir Liam Fox. As the new Parliament begins, we are expecting attempts from MPs to introduce an extreme abortion law that would make it more likely that healthy babies are aborted at home for any reason, up to birth. On the end-of-life front, Lord Falconer introduced a Bill in the House of Lords to legalise assisted suicide and the Prime Minister has pledged that he will make time for MPs to vote on the introduction of assisted suicide. As we face these major threats, it's important to make it clear to both new and returning MPs at the start of this parliamentary cycle that they have a large number of voters in their constituency who don't want to see extreme anti-life changes to our laws. We have launched an EasyAction tool on our website that makes it simple for you to contact the local MP asking them to oppose these radical changes to the law. Please visit righttolife.org.uk/newparliament

40 DAYS FOR LIFE-PRAYER, fasting and peaceful vigil outside the MSI abortion facility, Leeds. 25 September to 03 November, 7am to 7pm. The last sign of hope and first sign of mercy to those attending MSI Leeds. Over 24,000 lives saved by campaigns worldwide since 2007. (Please take a flyer from the back of church). To get involved as a prayer partner or as a vigil volunteer contact: Chris Redding 07815681343 email 40daysforlifeleeds@gmail.com, Further information at www.40daysforlife.com/Leeds

CARITAS LEEDS DAY OF REFLECTION AND ACTION Please join us to find out more about the ongoing development of Caritas Leeds, how it links with Catholic Social Teaching and how you can become involved in social action taking positive steps to make an impact on what Pope Francis refers to as "globalisation of indifference". Saturday 21 September 10am - 3.30pm, Hinsley Hall, LS6 2BX. Lunch included. Register at www.tinyurl.com/caritasleeds

THE WISDOM YEARS DAY OF REFLECTION Led by Margaret Silf. Monday 23 September. A day of reflection exploring the challenges, blessings and fresh perspectives of our later years guided by scripture, story and our own lived experience. £48pp to include a two-course home-cooked lunch and all refreshments. The Briery Retreat Centre, Ilkley admin@briery.org.uk 01943 607287 to book or for more information.

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

FIRST READING A reading from the book of the Proverbs

Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom has built herself a house,
she has erected her seven pillars,
she has slaughtered her beasts, prepared her wine,
she has laid her table.

She has despatched her maidservants
and proclaimed from the city's heights:
'Who is ignorant? Let him step this way.'

To the fool she says,
'Come and eat my bread,
drink the wine I have prepared!
Leave your folly and you will live,
walk in the ways of perception.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 33(34):2-3,10-15

RESPONSE: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**

Revere the Lord, you his saints.
They lack nothing, those who revere him.
Strong lions suffer want and go hungry
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing. **R.**

Come, children, and hear me
that I may teach you the fear of the Lord.
Who is he who longs for life
and many days, to enjoy his prosperity? **R.**

Then keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from speaking deceit.
Turn aside from evil and do good;
seek and strive after peace. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians

Ephesians 5:15-20

Be very careful about the sort of lives you lead, like intelligent and not like senseless people. This may be a wicked age, but you redeem it. And do not be thoughtless but recognise what is the will of the Lord. Do not drug yourselves with wine, this is simply dissipation; be filled with the Spirit. Sing the words and tunes of the psalms and hymns when you are together, and go on singing and chanting to the Lord in your hearts, so that always and everywhere you are giving thanks to God who is our Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Word was made flesh and lived among us:

to all who did accept him

he gave power to become children of God.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the crowd: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh,

for the life of the world.' Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you.

Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day.

For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me.

This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate:

they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

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.*

MASS FROM LEEDS CATHEDRAL

To participate online, please access the following YouTube channel: www.leedscathedrallive.org.uk

NATIONAL SHRINE AT WALSINGHAM has a live streaming service for Mass and other services:

www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream