

# Sacred Heart & St. Patrick

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## Sunday 27th + SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 26 July	5-30pm	VIGIL	November Dead List 2024/5
Sunday 27 July	11-00am	SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY	Harold Ellis [A]
Monday 28 July	NO PUBLIC MASS	Weekday of Ordinary Time	November Dead List 2024/5
Tuesday 29 July	09.30am	St Martha, Mary and Lazarus	Safe delivery - Baby Addison
Wednesday 30 July		St Peter Chrysologus	
Thursday 31 July	NO PUBLIC MASS	St Ignatius of Loyola	November Dead List 2024/5
FRIDAY 01 Aug	09.30am	St Alphonsus Liguori	November Dead List 2024/5
Saturday 02 Aug	5-00pm 5-30pm	Confession VIGIL MASS	Helena Mazur [A]
Sunday 03 Aug	11-00am	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY	For Anne Bridges [R]

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.



**MASS ATTENDANCE 2025** – 994 people attended Mass (June).

**Total Jan – June (5923)** - Just keep coming to Mass.

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

**BANKED | 21 JULY £365.00** plus, standing orders **£1415** per month. Thank you.

**Standing Order** - If you have online or phone banking, then you can set this up yourself. Most people setup payments monthly. Please inform Canon Larkin if you change to this system. Bank details: HSBC / Sort Code: 40-27-15 / Account:

41017454. Thank you for supporting standing orders.

### UPCOMING NUPTIAL MASS

With great joy, we announce the forthcoming marriage of **Emma Kate Wisniewski**

and **Robert James Fishpool** who will be united in Holy Matrimony

on Friday, the 8th of August, in the Year of Our Lord 2025 at 11 o'clock in the morning during a Nuptial Mass at Sacred Heart and St Patrick, Sowerby Bridge. Let us keep Emma and Robert in our prayers as they prepare to enter this sacred covenant, asking God to bless their union with grace, peace, and enduring love.

**SVP** - Small Electrical Appliances Appeal - If you have any unwanted kitchen/domestic appliances please consider donating them to the SVP. We need the following items: microwaves, slow cookers, kettles, steamers, mixers and coffee makers, irons, lamps, heaters, hairdryers, straighteners, music players and televisions. Your donations support families in need, reduce landfill and enable us to upskill volunteers through certified training. At St Vincent's we have a very successful Small Electricals PAT Testing Department. In addition to helping sales throughput in the site shop and eBay, we have also increased the amount we are giving away in "kitchen packs" to those in most need. Please leave your donations in the church porch in the box provided. If you wish to contact the centre directly ring 0113 245 0800, St Vincent's, 4 Berking Avenue, LS9 9LF. Thank you.

**THE LATIN MASS SOCIETY** is dedicated to the traditional Latin liturgy of the Catholic Church and advances the teachings and practices integral to it. You can sign-up as a Supporter for free but rely on Member subscriptions. Join up and help pass on the ancient Catholic Mass to future generations. Sign-up for Direct Debit and receive a 10% discount. <https://lms.org.uk/join-now>

**“AD ORIENTEM” : Isn’t This Going Backwards?** A common question is whether *ad orientem* means “going back” or undoing the reforms of the Second Vatican Council. In fact, Vatican II **did not forbid or even discourage** this posture. Rather, it called for “*full, conscious and active participation*” in the liturgy (Sacrosanctum Concilium, 14), which *ad orientem* can support when understood and entered into prayerfully. In the early Church, this posture was normal. Turning together to the Lord is not about nostalgia, but about continuity with our Catholic heritage. The Church invites us to recover what is beautiful, reverent, and theologically sound—whether ancient or new. We are not retreating into the past but drawing from the richness of tradition to deepen our worship today.

**ABOUT CHRISTIAN ART** Mission - Christian Art’s mission is to offer a pathway to grow closer to God through the beauty of art and the Gospel. Founded by Rev Fr Patrick van der Vorst, he worked at Sotheby’s in Bond Street, London. Visit YouTube search Christian Art and visit <https://christian.art/>

**JUBILEE MASSES AT ST STEPHEN’S SKIPTON** Masses for the Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee Year will take place at St Stephen’s Skipton, on the following date. Please check the Skipton parish website for times. All welcome. 19 August, 19 September, 10am, 8 October, 14 November, 10am, 16 December, 7pm.

**FOUNTAINS ABBEY** Mass for the Feast of St Bernard, Wednesday 20 August, 12noon. All welcome. <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/yorkshire/fountains-abbey-and-studley-royal-water-garden/events>

**ONE & THREE PEAKS CHALLENGE IN SUPPORT OF ST PATRICK'S MISSION** On Saturday, August 9, St Patrick's Mission will be hiking the Yorkshire Three Peaks to support the ongoing ministry in Bradford city centre. We are grateful for anyone who would like to hike with us, or who would like to volunteer to help on the day, or simply donate to the cause! To sign up, <https://www.stpatricksmisson.co.uk/event/one-and-three-peak-challenge> or to donate: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/spm-peaks25>.

**ST MARK’S WAY ON THE NATIONAL JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE** begins on Saturday 6 September with 8am Mass at Leeds Cathedral. Walk all or part of the way between the Cathedral and the Jubilee Pilgrimage Church of St Austin in Wakefield. See Diocesan website The National Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope starts at Leeds Cathedral: be part of it! | Diocese of Leeds.

**JUBILEE YEAR PRAYER VIGIL:** St Mary's, Batley are hosting a Prayer Vigil on the 1st Friday of each month in 2025 entitled; "Crucem, Hostia et Virginem" “If we want to grow and to be filled with the love of God, it is necessary to plant our lives firmly on three great realities: the Cross, the Host and the Virgin Mary: crux, hostia, et virgo...these are three mysteries that God gave to the world in order to structure, fructify and sanctify our interior life and to lead us to Jesus.” (Cardinal Robert Sarah: “The Power of Silence”). Opportunity for Confession/receiving the Jubilee Indulgence. Next date Friday 1st August.

## **VACANCIES**

**CATHOLIC CARE ARE RECRUITING:** Support Worker, £24,892 - £26,096 pro rata (based on qualifications and experience), shifts patterns to include weekends and bank holidays) Location: Bingley or Skipton, please contact [recruitment@catholic-care.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@catholic-care.org.uk) for an application form

**APPRENTICE ASSISTANT TO LAY CHAPLAIN VACANCY:** Notre Dame Catholic Sixth Form College, Leeds. Start: September 2025 or as soon after Closing date: Monday 25 August 2025. Further info: please visit <https://www.notredamecoll.ac.uk/vacancies>

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**Sunday 27 July 2025** *Liturgical Colour: Green. Year: C(I).*

Readings at Mass

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**First reading Genesis 18:20-32**

In those days: The Lord said, 'Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great and their sin is very grave, I will go down to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me. And if not, I will know.' So the men turned from there and went towards Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the Lord.

Then Abraham drew near and said, 'Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will you then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to put the righteous to death with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?' And the Lord said, 'If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake.' Abraham answered and said, 'Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking. Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?' And he said, 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.' Again he spoke to him and said, 'Suppose forty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of forty I will not do it.' Then he said, 'Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there.' He answered, 'I will not do it, if I find thirty there.' He said, 'Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.' Then he said, 'Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.'

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Ps 138(137):1-2a. 2b-3. 4-5. 7c-8. R3a**

***On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.***

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart;  
you have heard the words of my mouth.  
In the presence of the angels I praise you.  
I bow down towards your holy Temple. R

I give thanks to your name  
for your merciful love and your faithfulness.  
For you have exalted over all  
your name and your promise.  
On the day I called, you answered me;  
you increased the strength of my soul. R

The Lord is high, yet he looks on the lowly,  
and the haughty he knows from afar.  
You give me life though I walk amid affliction;  
you stretch out your hand against the anger of my foes. R

With your right hand you save me;  
the Lord will accomplish this for me.  
O Lord, your merciful love is eternal;  
discard not the work of your hands. R

**Second reading Colossians 2:12-14**

Brothers and Sisters: You have been buried with Christ in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God who raised him from the dead. And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by cancelling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

**Gospel Acclamation Romans 8:15bc**

Alleluia, alleluia.

You have received the Spirit of adoption as sons,  
by whom we cry, 'Abba! Father!'  
Alleluia.

**Gospel Luke 11:1-13**

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' And he said to them, 'When you pray, say: 'Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation.'

And he said to them, 'Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves, for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey and I have nothing to set before him"; and he will answer from within, "Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything"? I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

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