

Sacred Heart & St. Patrick

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Sunday 5th + TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

Saturday 04 Oct		VIGIL MASS	Bill Lavene [A]
Sunday 05 Oct	11-00am	TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY	Miss Gill [A]
Monday 06 Oct	NO PUBLIC MASS	St Bruno, Priest	November Dead List 2024/5
Tuesday 07 Oct	09-30am	Our Lady of the Rosary	Estelle & Catherine Robertson
Wednesday 08 Oct		Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Thursday 09 Oct	NO PUBLIC MASS	ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN, PRIEST	November Dead List 2024/5
Friday 10 Oct	09-30am	St Paulinus of York, Bishop	Nice De Baise [A]
Saturday 11 Oct	5-30pm	VIGIL MASS	For Michael Fleming [GH]
Sunday 12 Oct	11-00am	TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY	Edna Wisniewska [A]

Deanery Sunday Masses St Mary's Halifax - 9:30am & 11am | Sunday St Alban's 6pm
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 - 674 people attended Mass (September). Just keep coming to Mass

PARISH GIVING – thank you for all your support.

BANKED | 29 September £260.00 plus, standing orders £1415 per month. Thank you.

STANDING ORDER - 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. You can complete a Gift Aid form here: https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/gift-aid-declaration/. With very grateful thanks for your generosity to the parish.

STOP ASSISTED SUICIDE - FURTHER ACTION NEEDED Please take action now and visit www.righttolife.org.uk/aspeersletter to send a letter to Peers asking them to oppose assisted suicide.

ANNUAL MASS COUNT the annual count of Mass attendance will be made over the last two weekends of September (20/21 and 27/28) and the first two weekends of October (4/5 and 11/12). Figures will be returned to Bishop's House as part of the annual pastoral statistics which will be submitted in January.

CATENIANS: FAITH, FAMILY AND FRIENDSHIP Meet formally each month on the third Tuesday plus whenever another event has been arranged. Membership is open to any catholic men, but wives/partners

are encouraged to always be involved. Details about the association can be found at https://thecatenians.uk or speak to our Membership Officer Dennis Donnelly on 01484 606042.

"DELVE INTO THE BIBLE" Dr Dorothy Jonaitis of Loyola University, Chicago, will lead a workshop exploring the reality of biblical authorship, the importance of context - audience, geography, and timeframe - and different translations. 10:00am - 3:00pm Saturday 11 October at Hinsley Hall. £20pp including lunch. For more information and to book contact catechist.christtheking@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

LEEDS CATHEDRAL GUIDED TOURS AUTUMN PROGRAMME Free Guided Tours will take place on: Saturday 8 November, at 1.30pm; and Saturday 13 December, at 1.30pm. The tours last about 1 hour. No booking is required. On arrival, please gather by the Baptismal Font at the back of the Cathedral

HOW DO WE SUSTAIN HOPE IN TODAY'S WORLD? Saturday 11 October 10:30 – 4pm at Hinsley Hall A one day retreat on hope with Fr Luis Orlando Perez Jimenez SJ. Organised by SPARK Social Justice. See www.sparksocialjustice.org.uk for more details – sign up required as places are very limited.

PRIESTLY VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT MEETINGS Time for prayers, questions, input from a priest and social time. There are two groups meeting simultaneously; under 18s and over 18s. Fridays 6.30pm-8.15pm: 17 October (Hinsley Hall), 14 November (Cathedral Hall), 19 December (Hinsley Hall). Under 18 participants must complete and return a permission form prior to attending. For permission forms and to notify of attendance (all participants) please contact Vocations Promoter, Fr Simon Lodge simon.lodge@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

A YEAR OF CATECHESIS at St Alban's Croft, Halifax HX3 0AZ — a wonderful opportunity to deepen our faith, guided by the wisdom of our priests. Each evening will offer a chance to learn, reflect, and grow together as a parish family. The talks will take place in the parish hall on **Tuesday evenings at 6:00pm**, followed by **Holy Mass at 7:00pm**.

PROGRAMME OF TALKS 2025/26

- 14 October Fr Simon Lodge: Marian Dogmas
- 11 November Mgr. David Smith: Death, Judgement, Hell and Heaven

Come and join in discovering the riches of Catholic teaching and how it shapes our lives today.

MARK 10 MISSION ROSARY CHALLENGE Pray the Rosary with Archbishop John Wilson and The Mark 10 Mission this October. The Rosary Challenge invites you to pray a decade of the Rosary each weekday in October. The Mark 10 Mission has created beautiful online videos for each mystery of the Holy Rosary, led by Archbishop John. To watch the videos and learn more, please visit www.themark10mission.co.uk or The Mark 10 Mission YouTube channel @themark10mission

CELEBRATING LAUDATO SI Mini-Pilgrimage to Kirkstall Abbey: Saturday 20 October 12:45 – 4pm. Join people from across the northern dioceses for this 4.7mile pilgrimage from Leeds City Station to Kirkstall abbey – mainly following the towpath of the Leeds & Liverpool canal. Full details on the Justice & Peace website www.leedsjp.org.uk

THURSFORD CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR – Join the Sacred Heart & St. Patrick's Ladies Group on our trip from Sunday, 7 December to Tuesday, 9 December, at a cost of £345 per person (half-board). We travel directly to our destination without any en-route pick-ups. For more details visit www.Thursford.com or contact Marion (Chair of the Ladies Group) at 07873 907645.

HOLY SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM A date and time for your child's Baptism can be arranged once you have completed the parish form and begun to establish a relationship with the parish community. The choice of godparents is very important, as they are called to be role models in the Christian life. Normally, two godparents are chosen; they must be practising Catholics, at least 16 years old, and have received the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation.

Parents have the primary responsibility of handing on the faith to their children, both in teaching and in practice. Catholic schools exist to support you in this task, but they cannot replace your example, especially your faithful commitment to the Mass, which is the best instruction you can give your child. If, after reflecting on this, you wish to present your child for Baptism, please see Canon Larkin after Mass for the Pre-Baptism form.

Sunday 5 October 2025

Liturgical Colour: Green. Year: C(I).

Readings at Mass

First reading Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you 'Violence!' and you will not save? Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

And the Lord answered me: 'Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it. For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end — it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay.

'Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 95(94):1-2. 6-7b. 7c-9. \Re 7c, 8a O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts.'

Come, let us ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come into his presence, giving thanks; let us hail him with a song of praise. R

O come; let us bow and bend low. Let us kneel before the Lord who made us, for he is our God, and we the people, the people of his pasture, the flock of 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 forebears put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' R

Second reading 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Beloved: I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, for God gave us a spirit not of fear, but of power and love and self-control. Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God,

Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Peter 1:25

Alleluia, alleluia.

The word of the Lord remains for ever and this word is the good news that was preached to you. Alleluia.

Gospel Luke 17:5-10

At that time: The Apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' And the Lord said, 'If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.

'Will any one of you who has a servant ploughing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, "Come at once and recline at table"? Will he not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterwards you will eat and drink"? Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, "We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty." '

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