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Sunday 28th + SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

Holyday of Obligation and Collection for Peter's Pence

Saturday 27 June	5-30pm	VIGIL	Mary Christina Fleming [A]
Sunday 28 June	11-00am	SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES	Stephen Joyce [A]
	3.00pm	MASS OF HEALING FOR SENIOR PARISHIONERS	<i>Missa pro populo</i>
Monday 29 June	NO PUBLIC MASS	Weekday in Ordinary Time	November Dead List 2025/6
Tuesday 30 June	09-30am	First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church	November Dead List 2025/6
Wednesday 01 July		St Oliver Plunket	<i>Requiem Mass for Fr Reid at St Malachy's 01 July at 11 am</i>
Thursday 02 July	NO PUBLIC MASS	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Miss N Purcell (1922)
Friday 03 July	09-30am	ST THOMAS, APOSTLE	Ruth Savile
Saturday 04 July	5-30pm	Confession 5.00pm – 5.30pm VIGIL MASS	Evie Adamson
Sunday 05 July	11-00am	FOURTEENTH SUNDAY	Mary Christina Fleming [A]

No tea or coffee after Sunday Mass due to preparations for the Mass of Healing for senior parishioners.

Deanery Confessions: *Saturday 11am -12noon at St Mary's, Halifax*

Deanery Sunday Masses: *St Mary's, Halifax - 9:30am & 11am | Sunday St Alban's 6pm*

PARISH GIVING – With thanks for your generosity to the parish.

BANKED | 22 JUNE 2026 Total £385.00 | **SO** average £1479 per month. **Total** Gift Aiders 55

Retired Priests of the Diocese £130.00 many thanks

Day for Life £ 50.00 thank you.

TODAY Collection for Peter's Pence

STANDING ORDER (SO) Payments are usually made monthly. Let Canon Larkin know if you switch to this method. Bank details: HSBC / Sort Code: 40-27-15 / Account: 41017454. Thank you for your support through standing orders. A Gift Aid form is available here: <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/gift-aid-declaration/>.

MASS OF HEALING FOR SENIOR PARISHIONERS The annual Mass of Healing for the Senior Parishioners of the Parish will take place on **Sunday 28 June 2026 at 3.00pm**, followed by afternoon tea and fellowship in the parish hall. This is always a gentle and joyful occasion in the life of the parish community. If you would like to attend and have not yet received an invitation, please speak with Anne at the back of church for further details. All are most welcome.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL As you may have learned from news reports, the MP for Rochester and Strood, Lauren Edwards, has announced that she intends to use her number two slot in the Private Members' Bill ballot to bring back Kim Leadbeater's assisted suicide Bill. It is important that all those who are opposed to the introduction of this legislation contact their local MP and ask that the Bill not be revived. As well as opposing the reintroduction of this Bill, it is important too to advocate support for the greater provision of palliative care. More information <https://livinganddyingwell.org.uk/> and <https://righttolife.org.uk/>.

REV MGR. PAUL OWENS jubilarian (Ruby) - a retired priest associated with the Diocese of Leeds, Halifax Deanery, and formerly affiliated with the Roman Catholic Bishopric of the Forces (GB). Mgr. Owens will join us to celebrate 40yrs of Holy Priesthood on **Sunday 5 July at 11am**. All parishioners are warmly encouraged to attend this special Mass and give thanks for his faithful priestly service.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS REV FR PAUL REID will be received into St Malachy's Church (HX3 5NS) on Tuesday 30 June at 7.00pm, with music and readings but no Mass. Bishop Marcus will celebrate Requiem Mass on **Wednesday 1 July at 11.00am**, followed by a service at Park Wood Crematorium, (HX5 9HZ).

SACRED HEART School Places please contact the school if you would like an appointment with the headteacher contact the school office on 01422 831360

SUMMER CONCERT OF THE HAREWOOD CONSORT at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Moortown, 5 July, 7pm. Programme: Pergolesi's Stabat Mater and Bach Cantata "Es ist dir gesagt". Orchestra, Choir, Soloists and Narrator. Conductor: Eduardo Portal Martín. Tickets on the door or at <https://www.harewoodconsort.com>

LEEDS INTERNATIONAL ORGAN FESTIVAL Join us at Leeds Cathedral for the Leeds International Organ Festival, featuring a series of recitals by outstanding organists from across the UK and around the world. Mondays up to 13 July, 1.15pm, Leeds Cathedral – free entry. For more information visit <https://www.leedsiof.org/home>

FOUNTAINS ABBEY Mass for the Feast of St Benedict, Tuesday 14 July, 12noon. All welcome. More details at <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/yorkshire/fountains-abbey-and-studley-royal-water-garden/events>

LEEDS CATHEDRAL GUIDED TOURS SUMMER PROGRAMME A Free Guided Tour will take place on the following Saturdays during the spring and summer months: 18 July and 8 August, when the tours start at 1.30pm. The tour lasts about 1 hour. No booking is required. On arrival, please gather by the Baptismal Font at the back of the Cathedral.

CATHOLIC CARE GARDEN PARTY Join us on Sunday 19 July 12.30pm at Catholic Care Head Office for our summer fundraiser! Enjoy live music from Voices of Yorkshire, a BBQ, games, raffles, cakes and more. Browse the clothes and book sale, try henna and relax with friends and family. Free entry and all proceeds support Catholic Care's vital work in the local community.

WEBELIEVE FESTIVAL OF CATHOLIC LIFE: 24-27 July 2026, an unmissable opportunity to discover the traditions and charisms that flow through the Church. Four days of music, keynotes, conversation & worship, in the beautiful surroundings of St Mary's College, Oscott. Tickets and information at: www.webelievefestival.com

PILGRIMAGE OF REPARATION AND PRAYER FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE Saturday, 1 August 2026, Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. Pilgrim Mass 12:00noon. Eucharistic Adoration, Stations of the Cross, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Litany of Life and Benediction, Rosary and a silent walk as an Act of Reparation. The pilgrimage will be concluded by a Prayer for England and the Salve Regina. For further details, please visit prolifepilgrimage.org

INDIVIDUALLY GUIDED RETREAT 4-13 August (6-day option to 11th). There are still a few places for IGR at The Briery. For more information and to book contact The Briery on 01943 607287

CONSULTATION ON THE FUTURE CATHOLIC MISSION IN HALIFAX

Thank you to everyone who attended the consultation evening, where more than 75 people were present, and to all who contributed to the recent consultation on the future of Catholic mission and provision in Halifax and Queensbury. I can confirm that all responses have now been received.

Sunday 28 June 2026 *Liturgical Colour: Red. Year: A(II).*

Readings at Mass *These readings are for the day of the feast itself.*

First reading

Acts 12:1-11

‘Now I am sure that the Lord has rescued me from the hand of Herod.’

In those days: Herod the king laid violent hands on some who belonged to the church. He killed James the brother of John with the sword, and when he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread. And when he had seized him, he put him in prison, delivering him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring him out to the people. So Peter was kept in prison, but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the church. Now when Herod was about to bring him out, on that very night, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries before the door were guarding the prison. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood next to him, and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him, saying, ‘Get up quickly.’ And the chains fell off his hands. And the angel said to him, ‘Dress yourself and put on your sandals.’ And he did so. And he said to him, ‘Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.’ And he went out and followed him. He did not know that what was being done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision. When they had passed the first and the second guard, they came to the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went out and went along one street, and immediately the angel left him. When Peter came to himself, he said, ‘Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.’

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 34(33):2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9. R5

From all my terrors the Lord set me free.

I will bless the Lord at all times,
praise of him is always in my mouth.
In the Lord my soul shall make its boast;
the humble shall hear and be glad.

From all my terrors the Lord set me free.

Glorify the Lord with me;
together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord, and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free.

From all my terrors the Lord set me free.

Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This lowly one called; the Lord heard,
and rescued him from all his distress.

From all my terrors the Lord set me free.

The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who fear him, to rescue them.
Taste and see that the Lord is good.
Blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

From all my terrors the Lord set me free.

Second reading

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

‘There is laid up for me the crown of righteousness.’

Beloved: I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but also to all who have loved his appearing.

The Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion’s mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever.
Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia.

You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church,
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 16:13-19

'You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.'

At that time: When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter replied, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.'

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