

# Sacred Heart & St. Patrick

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## Sunday 5th + SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

<b>SATURDAY</b> 04 May	5-30PM	<b>VIGIL MASS</b>	<b>Tim Larkin [LD] SVP</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 05 May	11-00AM	<b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	<b>Patrick Burns [LD]</b>
Monday 06 May	NO PUBLIC MASS	Weekday of Easter	Nov Dead List 2023/24
<b>Tuesday</b> 07 May	09-30am	<b>St John of Beverley, Bishop</b>	<b>Nov Dead List 2023/24</b>
Wednesday 08 MAY		Weekday of Easter	
<b>ASCENSION</b> <b>Thursday</b> 09 May	09-30am	<b>THE ASCENSION</b> <b>Holyday of Obligation</b>	<b>Fr Gerry Thornton [LD]</b>
<b>Friday</b> 10 May	09-30am	Weekday of Easter	Nov Dead List 2023/24
<b>Saturday</b> 11 May	5-30PM	<b>VIGIL MASS</b>	<b>Deceased of the Oldfield and Teesdale families</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 12 May	11-00AM	<b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	<b>Sheila Harper [LD]</b>

**Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm – 5.30pm**  
**Tea & Coffee after Sunday Mass today (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 | 29 APR £330.00** 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.

**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD** I invite you to join me for the Holyday of Obligation – **Thursday 09 May Mass at 09.30**. Also, later in the day 12noon Mass for the Holyday at Mytholmroyd.

**MASS ATTENDANCE 2024** - 692 people attended Mass (APR 2024) | Just keep coming to Mass.

**FR JAMES LEAVY - REQUIESCAT IN PACE** It is with great sadness that I write to let you know that Fr Leavy died during the early hours of Sunday 28 April. May his soul rest in peace in the embrace of the Lord and Saviour he served so faithfully throughout his life. Pray for the repose of Fr Leavy's soul and remember his family and his many friends in your prayers at this time.

**CONGRATULATION TO KEITH & CHELSEY** on the occasion of their wedding Friday 03 May – We are delighted to extend our heartfelt congratulations to Keith and Chelsey as they embark on this beautiful journey together in the sacrament of marriage. May their love reflect the divine love that unites us all and may their commitment to

each other deepen with each passing day. Let us join in celebrating this joyous occasion and in asking for God's abundant blessings to be poured upon them as they begin this new chapter in their lives.

**NEWLY APPOINTED BISHOPS** The Holy Father has appointed Canon Bosco MacDonald as the tenth Bishop of Clifton and Mgr. James Curry, a priest of the Diocese of Westminster, as Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster. Mgr. Timothy Menezes and Canon Richard Walker, both priests of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, have also been appointed Auxiliary Bishops of the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Finally, Fr David Waller has been appointed as Ordinary to the Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham. Please pray for the Bishop-Elects as they prepare to begin their episcopal ordination and service.

**THE LADIES GROUP - NEW LECTIONARY** – Thank you to our ladies' group for the donation of £400 towards the new edition of the Lectionary. The Ambo Edition - £500 – 600.

They can be used upon receipt but must be used from the First Sunday of Advent, 30 Nov/ 01 Dec 2024.

**THE LADIES GROUP** will meet on Wednesday every 2 weeks (May 8 & 22).

All Ladies are invited to join in these events.

**THE LADIES GROUP** will host an open meeting on Wednesday May 08 at 7.30pm when the speaker will be from The St Augustine's Centre in Halifax. They will be talking about their work with the Refugees in our area. All invited to attend.

**MISSION HALIFAX COME & SEE** Mission Halifax invite you to 'Come & See' – a monthly prayer group. Adoration, praise & worship, prayer, and opportunity for social time following. This month's theme is 'With Mary in the Upper Room' with a talk from Fr Hilton. All welcome. Friday 10 May, 7pm, St Patricks Church, Elland, HX5 0PU

**GROUND WORKS** The work outlined below has been completed by Meristem (074412092004) The specific work intended to be done; Works listed in the Arboricultural safety Survey from Woodsage's Arboricultural safety assessment as follows;

- T006 – Remove tree.
- T008 – Crown lift branches away from streetlight
- T016 – Sever Ivy at base + Crown lift away from streetlight.
- T017 – Sever ivy at base + Crown lift away from streetlight.
- T018 – Sever Ivy at the base + Crown lift away from streetlight.
- G001a – Sever ivy at bases of trees west of group + Crown lift branches on mature trees and remove self-seeding saplings.
- G001b – Remove trees to clear adjacent streetlamp on upper Bolton Brow
- Green waste disposal

TPO's (Tree preservation orders) -The Calderdale TPO map has shown that several trees at this location do have TPO's on – reference - 86/00189/C. Confirmation from Calderdale council required before any works are to be carried out. Total cost to the parish **£1920 Inc VAT**

**SVP** - We would like to make an appeal for donations of items for the St Augustine's centre in Halifax. They aid refugees who attend their centre. The items that they currently need are as follows: suitcases, travel bags, rucksacks, men's jeans, men/ladies trainers, baby clothes and accessories - prams and pushchairs etc, housewares, crockery and pans. If you are having a clear-out, please consider donating to this cause. For the next 3 weeks a box will be in the church porch for this purpose. Thank you.

**GROWING OLD GRACE-FULLY ONLINE SESSIONS** Leeds Diocesan older people's charity is hosting six online meetings this year. The first is Spirituality in Later Life: Praying Beyond Words, Tuesday 14 May, 7:00pm with Fr Donal Lucy and Paula Shanks. To attend email [growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

**CAFOD/SVP GENERAL ELECTION PREPARATION** The Year of Encounter provides webinars and on-line resources providing information to enable Catholics to make better informed voting choices. Next webinars: Thursday 25 April, 6.30pm and Saturday 4 May, 11am. See [Svp.org.uk/encounter](http://Svp.org.uk/encounter) to register.

**J&P and SPARK SOCIAL JUSTICE LISTENING EVENT** Join us in person for a listening event focused on people living in poverty. Sat 27th April 11am-1pm, St Monica & St Mary Church, Cottingley, Bingley. Lunch will be provided. [www.leedsjp.org.uk](http://www.leedsjp.org.uk) to register.

**PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES Friday 5 – Thursday 11 July.** from Leeds/Bradford Airport: Please book with Tangney Tours T: 01732 886666 Further information [www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage/](http://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage/).

**COME AND SEE OPPORTUNITY** For women interested in learning about Franciscan Religious Life. Saturday 4 May 2024. 11am - 4pm. Franciscan Convent. 52 Dalby Road, Melton Mowbray. LE13 0BP. Contact: Sr Dorothy Paul 01664562422. Email: [srdorothypaul@gmail.com](mailto:srdorothypaul@gmail.com)

**CENTENARY OF THE DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL JULY 2024** On Thursday 18 July at 11.30am, together with the Priests, Deacons, Religious and Lay Faithful, Bishop Marcus will celebrate a Solemn Pontifical Mass at the Cathedral Church of St Anne, the Mother Church of the Diocese of Leeds, to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Cathedral's Dedication. More information about the Cathedral's centenary celebrations will be published in due course.

**THINKING FAITH** Exploring our Catholic Beliefs Time out for working Catholics, to enjoy a holiday together, pray and reflect on an aspect of their faith. This year's theme goes back to the basics. Boarbank Hall, Cumbria 27 July – 3 August 2024. For more information see: [www.boarbankhall.org.uk](http://www.boarbankhall.org.uk) To book, email [margaret@boarbankhall.org.uk](mailto:margaret@boarbankhall.org.uk)

**FAITH FORMATION SOCIAL MEDIA** We have set up new social media accounts for Lifelong Faith Formation and will be sharing upcoming opportunities, good news stories and updates. Please follow us on Twitter: @dolformation Instagram: @dolfaithformation Facebook: Diocese of Leeds Faith Formation

**DEPUTY HEADTEACHER VACANCY** St Joseph's Catholic Primary Academy Huddersfield. Start September 2024. You are strongly encouraged to arrange a visit to the school. Appointments can be made by contacting Mrs Angela Phillips, Interim Headteacher on 01484 531669. Further details are available from Helen Blanchard, HR Manager, (email:[h-blanchard@bpstrust.org.uk](mailto:h-blanchard@bpstrust.org.uk)). Closing date is 12noon on Wednesday 15th May 2024. Apply <https://bpstrust.org.uk/Vacancies/>

## **Sunday 5th + SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**READINGS, PRAYERS AND MASS TEXTS** can be found at: [www.universalis.com](http://www.universalis.com)

**FIRST READING** A reading from the Acts of the Apostles Acts 10:25f

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said 'I am only a man after all!'

Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.'

While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

The word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**PSALM** Psalm 97(98):1-4

**RESPONSE:** The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

Sing a new song to the Lord  
for he has worked wonders.  
His right hand and his holy arm  
have brought salvation. **R.**

The Lord has made known his salvation;  
has shown his justice to the nations.  
He has remembered his truth and love  
for the house of Israel. **R.**

All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation of our God.  
Shout to the Lord, all the earth,  
ring out your joy. **R.**

## **SECOND READING**

A reading from the first letter of John

1 John 4:7-10

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

The word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,  
and my Father will love him,  
and we shall come to him.'

Alleluia!

**GOSPEL** A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me:

no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

***Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.***

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

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

**NATIONAL SHRINE AT WALSINGHAM** has a live streaming service for Mass and other services:  
[www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream](http://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream)

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#### **SAFEGUARDING**

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