

# Sacred Heart & St. Patrick

## 1934 – 2024

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### Sunday 27th + THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 26 Oct	5-30PM	VIGIL MASS	Emily Power [A]
Sunday 27 Oct	11-00AM	THIRTIETH SUNDAY	Rina Moscardini [LD]
Monday 28 Oct	NO PUBLIC MASS	SS SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES	Priest's Private Int
Tuesday 29 Oct	09-30am	Weekday in Ordinary Time	John Morley [A]
Wednesday 30 Oct		Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Thursday 31 Oct	NO PUBLIC MASS	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Priest's Private Int (PH)
Friday 01 Nov	09-30am	+ ALL SAINTS + Holyday of Obligation	Timothy Larkin [LD]
Saturday 02 Nov	5-30PM	VIGIL MASS	John Carr [LD]
Sunday 03 Nov	11-00AM	THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY	Ann Throp (nee Dale) [LD]

**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 | 21 October £360.00** - plus standing orders of £1430 per month.

Collection for Association for the Propagation of the Faith £45.00 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 Fr Larkin know if you change to this system.

Bank details: HSBC / Sort Code: 40-27-15 / Account: 41017454. Thank you for supporting standing orders.

**+ ALL SAINTS +** I would like to invite you to join me at the **Sacred Heart and St. Patrick**, Sowerby Bridge, Holy Mass **Friday 01 November at 09.30am** for the Holyday of Obligation. Holy Mass will be celebrated at The Good Shepherd, Mytholmroyd at 12noon.

#### PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR CANON FIRTH

Fr. Firth, who served as our Parish Priest until 2015, has recently been diagnosed with throat cancer. With his permission, we share this news with you and ask for your prayers during this challenging time. Fr. Firth has already begun his therapeutic pathway, which will include surgery and is expected to last a year in total. He kindly asks that we refrain from phone calls as he focuses on his treatment. Thank you for your understanding and for keeping Fr. Firth in your thoughts and prayers.

**PERMANENT DIACONATE** on Saturday 23 November – I invite you to join the bishop who will ordain **Paul Coates** to the Permanent Diaconate, St Mary's, Halifax, 11:00am. All welcome. Please pray for Paul.

**FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR – GABRIELLE STANSFIELD RIP** Please pray for the repose of Gabrielle's soul and for her family and friends. May she rest in peace. Amen  
Funeral – Service – Thursday 07 November 2024 at 11.00am

**THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER** is associated with prayer for the Holy Souls. Masses will be offered throughout the year for those whose names are on the November Dead List. Envelopes are available for this purpose at the back of the church. The Envelopes can be handed to the parish priest or one of the stewards. Last year **103** Masses were offered for the deceased relatives and friends of the parish. Return the envelope before Sunday **27 October** thank you.

**NOVEMBER CEMETERY SERVICES** I invite you to join me at both services.

**Sowerby Bridge Cemetery** Saturday 2 November at 3pm – our annual observance when we pray the rosary and process through the cemetery visiting the graves of family friends and parishioners. We remember all those buried in this cemetery - Requiescant in Pace.

**Stoney Royd Cemetery Halifax** Sunday 3 November at 3pm - Since the beginning of Christianity it has been a practice to honour the dead by visitations to the place of burial. We return to remember all those buried in this cemetery - Requiescant in Pace.

**THE LADIES GROUP** On Friday November 01 at 10.15am the Ladies group are hosting a visit from representatives from the St Augustine's Centre in Halifax on their work. All are invited to join them in the hall to listen their work. Refreshments will be served.

**PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM - September 2025** as we prepare for the Jubilee Year 2025, I invite you to make a special pilgrimage to Walsingham, following in the footsteps of kings, saints, and holy people of past centuries. This pilgrimage offers a profound opportunity to deepen our faith and strengthen our reliance on our Lord Jesus Christ. Our parish visit is planned for **Friday and Saturday, 27 & 28 September 2025**, to coincide with the pilgrimage of the Bishop of Leeds and others from our diocese. If you are interested in joining this pilgrimage, please speak with **Anne Bridges** at the back of the church. **Early bookings are essential** to confirm accommodation, so we encourage you to express your interest as soon as possible. Thank you for your support and participation in this important event.

**ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL RESOURCES** The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales (CBCEW) website has been updated with a raft of resources to help to be informed regarding the assisted suicide legislation that is currently working its way through Parliament. Resources and information available at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/> and <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/catholics-oppose-assisted-suicide/>

**GET EQUIPPED** – visit - <https://righttolife.org.uk/> - likely vote on assisted suicide in Parliament before Christmas. Watch actor and disability rights advocate Liz Carr's BBC documentary on assisted suicide, Better Off Dead? where she examines the impact of one of the world's most extreme assisted suicide laws in Canada. Watch for free online (you do not need a TV licence): [righttolife.org.uk/betteroffdead](https://righttolife.org.uk/betteroffdead)

## **SCHOOL**

**Forest School Taster Mornings – for children aged 3&4 - Wednesday 13 November 9:30-11am**

Children are invited to attend with an accompanying adult (max 1 adult per child) to a free Forest School taster morning. Children will join an outdoor session led by our Forest School Leader. Lots of fun to be had! Waterproofs - we have lots of spares if you need them! Book via school office: 01422 831360

**School Places** Sacred Heart will be hosting some open events for children looking for places for September 2025 – or for any children needing a school place in other year groups at any time within the academic year. If families cannot make any of these dates, they are more than welcome to visit us at other times – please contact the school office if you would like an appointment with the headteacher.

**Open Afternoon | Wednesday 13 November | 1:15 – 2:30pm**

An opportunity to meet our new headteacher and visit our fabulous school during the daytime.

**Open Evening | Tuesday 12 November | 5:30 – 6:30pm**

An opportunity to meet our new headteacher and other members of our wonderful staff team.

**Winter Wonderland Christmas Fayre | Saturday 16 November | 10am – 12pm**

Start the festive season with fun for all of the family. ALL WELCOME

**THE LIFE OF A PARISH PRIEST:** The National Office for Vocation has produced two videos which may be of interest to parishioners and, especially, those considering a call to priestly ministry. They can be found here: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/a-day-in-the-life-of-a-parish-priest/>

**DATES FOR THE SACRAMENTS 2025**

First Reconciliation 29 March 2025 at 11am St Bernard's  
 First Holy Communion 18 May 2025 at 11am Sacred Heart & St. Patrick, Sowerby Bridge  
 Deanery Confirmation  
 Venue: St Malachy's Nursery Ln, Halifax HX3 5NS  
 Rehearsal: 25 February 2025 at 7pm | Confirmation: 4 March 2025 at 7pm

**SVP** - as winter and the cold weather is drawing near, we would like to help the homeless and refugees at St Augustine's Centre and Happy Days by making an appeal for donations of the following items (in good condition) which would be most appreciated at this time: Warm coats, socks, boots, winter shoes, jumpers, jeans/warm trousers, gloves and hats for both men and women and suitcases.

**St Augustine's** is also about to launch a campaign for donations of Christmas gifts, and they asked their centre members what they would most like to receive and top few items that people would like are: umbrella, backpack, hot water bottle and cover, warm socks, gloves and hats. If anyone is able to donate new items from this list it would be very much appreciated.  
 A box will be provided in the church porch for donations

**SACRAMENTAL TIMETABLE FOR OUR PARISH 2024/25**

<p><b>SACRED HEART School</b>  <b>3:30 - 4:30pm</b></p>
<p><b>MONDAY</b>                  18<sup>th</sup> Nov                  2<sup>nd</sup> Dec                  16<sup>th</sup> Dec                  13<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025                  27<sup>th</sup> Jan                  10<sup>th</sup> Feb</p>

**REHEARSAL: TUESDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> FEBRAURY, ST MALACHY'S CHURCH AT 7PM (candidate and sponsor to attend)**  
**CONFIRMATION: TUES 4<sup>th</sup> MARCH AT 7PM, ST MALACHY'S CHURCH**

<p><b>MONDAY</b>                  10<sup>th</sup> Feb 2025                  24<sup>th</sup> Feb                  10<sup>th</sup> March                  24<sup>th</sup> March</p>
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**RECONCILIATION ON SATURDAY 29<sup>th</sup> MARCH: ST BERNARD'S AT 10AM**

<p><b>MONDAY</b>                  31<sup>ST</sup> March 2025                  14<sup>th</sup> April                  28<sup>th</sup> April                  12<sup>th</sup> May</p>
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**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ON SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY: SACRED HEART AND ST PATRICK'S AT 11AM**

**SOCIAL MEDIA USE** The internet and social media have many benefits for evangelisation and communication across the Diocese, but this must be utilised with responsibility and prudence. All contents and/or posts on a Parish site remain the responsibility of the Parish Priest, therefore if administrative rights have been delegated to a third party, a protocol must be agreed.

Both Parish or Clergy's personal websites and social media sites must be lawful, abide at all times to the guidance set out in this Policy and the document of the Bishops of England and Wales "Caring Safely for Others" or the document "Integrity In Ministry" issued by the Conference of Religious of England and Wales, and in-line with the responsibility of the position of trust beholden on all ordained Ministers and Religious.

It is the policy of the Diocese of Leeds that:

- Personal social media accounts of any ordained Minister or Religious within the Diocese of Leeds, must be properly moderated to ensure any inappropriate content posted by a third party is removed and anything potentially illegal or of concern referred to the Safeguarding Team.
- That all reasonable efforts are made to ensure that the internet or social media is not used for the viewing or transmission of inappropriate images on Church property.
- Any possession, distribution or manufacturing of indecent images of children will be immediately reported to the Police and the Diocese Safeguarding Team.
- **The taking of and/or posting/display of photographs of children must only occur with the written consent of parents/carers.**

#### **Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility**

- Children should not be identified by their full name in photographs and all must be mindful of the "Jigsaw" effect in regard to children's identity. This is the method for identifying a piece of information from two or more different (often unrelated) sources where the information's release was not intentional.
- An individual's home address must not be posted.
- If anyone replies or posts on any Parish social media account and indicates that they are at risk of harm or if someone appears to be at risk, this must be reported immediately to the Safeguarding Team. If it is believed that they may be in/or at risk of immediate harm, this must be reported immediately to the Police dialling 999 and subsequently to the Safeguarding Team.

**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. To get involved contact: Chris Redding 07815681343

**NEW BISHOP OF PLYMOUTH** Bishop Moger's installation as Bishop of Plymouth will take place on Saturday 9 November at the Cathedral Church of St Mary and St Boniface, Plymouth. Please keep him and the people of the Diocese of Plymouth in your prayers at this time.

**ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION** Saturday 7 December and Advent Preached Retreat Friday 13 to Sunday 15th December. For more information or to book, contact the Administrator on 01943 607287

**CONSULTATION** Monday 04 November 2024 to Monday 16 December 2024.

The Blessed Peter Snow Catholic Academy Trust is consulting on the admission arrangements for admissions in September 2026 in line with the requirements of the School Admission Code 2021. For more information please visit: The Blessed Peter Snow Catholic Academy Trust - Admissions Consultation 2026/27 (bpstrust.org.uk) or email David Hymas, Trust Governance Manager d-hymas@bpstrust.org.uk

**Sunday 27th + THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**FIRST READING** A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord says this: Shout with joy for Jacob!  
Hail the chief of nations!  
Proclaim! Praise! Shout:  
'The Lord has saved his people,  
the remnant of Israel!'  
See, I will bring them back  
from the land of the North  
and gather them from the far ends of earth;  
all of them: the blind and the lame,  
women with child, women in labour:  
a great company returning here.  
They had left in tears,  
I will comfort them as I lead them back;  
I will guide them to streams of water,  
by a smooth path where they will not stumble.  
For I am a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my first-born son.

The word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

**PSALM** Psalm 125(126)

**RESPONSE:** What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,  
it seemed like a dream.  
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,  
on our lips there were songs. **R.**

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels  
the Lord worked for them!'  
What marvels the Lord worked for us!  
Indeed we were glad. **R.**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage  
as streams in dry land.  
Those who are sowing in tears  
will sing when they reap. **R.**

They go out, they go out, full of tears,  
carrying seed for the sowing:  
they come back, they come back, full of song,  
carrying their sheaves. **R.**

**SECOND READING**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Hebrews 5:1-6

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for

himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

The word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;  
anyone who follows me will have the light of life.

Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL** A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 10:46-52

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

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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