

Sacred Heart & St. Patrick

1934 – 2024

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Diocesan Safeguarding www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/safeguarding/

Sunday 3rd + THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY

Saturday 02 Nov	5-30PM	VIGIL MASS	John Carr [LD]
Sunday 03 Nov	11-00AM	THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY	Ann Throp (nee Dale) [LD]
Monday 04 Nov	NO PUBLIC MASS	St Charles Borromeo, Bishop	November Dead List 2024/5
Tuesday 05 Nov	09-30am	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Emant Brocks [A]
Wednesday 06 Nov			
Thursday 07 Nov	11-00am	Funeral Service for Gabrielle Stansfield	-
Friday 08 Nov	09-30am	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Peter Connel [LD]
Saturday 09 Nov	5-30PM	VIGIL MASS	Fr Firth [R]
Sunday 10 Nov	11-00AM	THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY Remembrance Sunday	Robert Ball [R]

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 | 28 October £376.00 - plus standing orders of £1430 per month.

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.

MASS ATTENDANCE 2024 – A total of **876** people attended Holy Mass (OCT 2024)

This year so far **8675** people attended church. | **Just keep coming to Mass.**

PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR CANON FIRTH Fr. Firth, who served as our Parish Priest until 2015, has recently been diagnosed with throat cancer. 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

Fr Kenneth Hawley RIP It is with great sadness to inform you that Fr Kenneth Hawley died peacefully at home on Tuesday evening (22 October) and **Mgr Peter Walton RIP** former President of Ushaw College died

on Monday 21 October. Mgr Walton will be better known to those priests of our Diocese who were at Ushaw during his time as President (1984-1991) Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

NOVEMBER DEAD LIST During the year 2024– 2025 list has been closed and will be ready soon.

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 in Canada. Watch for free online (you do not need a TV licence): 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 Evening | Tuesday 12 November | 5:30 – 6:30pm

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

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

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

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

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

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

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.

SACRAMENTAL TIMETABLE FOR OUR PARISH 2024/25

SACRED HEART - School - 3:30 - 4:30pm
MONDAY 18 th Nov 2024 2 nd Dec 16 th Dec 13 th Jan 2025 27 th Jan 10 th Feb REHEARSAL: TUESDAY 25 FEBRAURY, ST MALACHY’S CHURCH AT 7PM (candidate and sponsor to attend) CONFIRMATION: TUES 4 MARCH AT 7PM, ST MALACHY’S CHURCH
MONDAY 10 Feb 2025 24 Feb 10 March 24 March RECONCILIATION ON SATURDAY 29 MARCH: ST BERNARD’S AT 10AM
MONDAY 31 March 2025 14 April 28 April 12 May HOLY COMMUNION ON SUNDAY 18TH MAY: SACRED HEART AND ST PATRICK’S AT 11AM

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

Sunday 3rd + THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

READINGS, PRAYERS AND MASS TEXTS can be found at: www.universalis.com

FIRST READING A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord the God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: the Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 17(18):2-4,47,51

RESPONSE: I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise,
when I call I am saved from my foes. **R.**

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me,
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Hebrews 7:23-28

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life;

you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 12:28-34

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.

Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sacred Heart of Jesus *Ultimate Defence Against Modernism and the Culture of Death keep us safe.*

MASS FROM LEEDS CATHEDRAL

To participate online, please access the following YouTube channel: www.leedscathedrallive.org.uk

NATIONAL SHRINE AT WALSINGHAM has a live streaming service for Mass and other services:

www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream

Diocese www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Church www.sacredheartandstpatrickschurch.org.uk

School www.sacredheart.calderdale.sch.uk

Readings and Holy Mass www.universalis.com

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