

The Good Shepherd

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Sunday 20th December 2020

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Year B



HAPPY AND BLESSED CHRISTMAS

I would like to thank you all for your kindly support as I celebrate my fifth Christmas with you. Let us pray together; that we may merit for all eternity to be the companions of Christ, by whose birth our own mortality was healed. Amen.

Let me take this opportunity to wish you and all in the district the blessings of Christmas.

CHORDIALITY CHOIR (1st Martyrs' Church BRADFORD)

The performance comprises festive songs focussed on the Christmas story and also includes readings and carols, which are subtitled so that viewers can sing along with the choir. It is now available on YouTube please visit The Chordiality Choir - Yorkshire or click on the link https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IVhogKY_O20

REOPENING OF OUR CHURCH FOR HOLY MASS

“Every day is like Sunday.”

The Bishops have not yet reinstated the Sunday obligation to attend Mass, so please wherever possible try to attend Mass once during a week. Of course, those who have any concerns at all about coming in to the church or being out too often, should continue to stay safely at home. On weekdays register your presence to the steward and use the QR code for the NHS Track & Trace App. For Sunday Mass, in addition to registering on-line please also use the QR code if you have the App. The tier regulations, particularly relevant to being in church, are that we should not socialise within the church building with anyone outside our own household or social bubble, nor socialise outside the church. Thank you for your help in these matters.

SUNDAY MASS ARRANGEMENTS

MUST BOOK ONLINE as before the lockdown. It would be helpful, if you were able to make bookings at least 48 hours in advance. When booking for Mass; note that bookings end 24 hours before the time of Mass (you will receive email confirmation of your booking). Many thanks for your help and understanding. If you have booked a ticket for Mass and subsequently find that you are unable to attend the Mass, please return it via the booking system so that someone else can attend Holy Mass. Please remember, if your health is not good and you are vulnerable, if you have a cough or cold or temperature you should stay at home.

WEEKDAY MASS ARRANGEMENTS

Wednesday 23rd Dec Mass 12.00 – no need to book online

Saturday 26th Dec Mass 10.00am – **BOOK ONLINE**

Wednesday 30th Dec Mass 12.00 – no need to book online

Saturday 2nd Jan Mass 10.00am –no need to book online

Please note that once Mass starts please do not enter the church.

CHRISTMAS EVE: READINGS, CAROLS AND MASS **VIA ZOOM**

Fr John will preside at this Christmas Eve service (8.00pm) which will take the theme of “Journeying to Bethlehem” with all of its fears and trepidation as well as its joys. It will consist of:

- ❖ Service of readings
- ❖ Reflections
- ❖ Carols
- ❖ Blessing of all our cribs at home
(It may be useful to have some water on hand)
- ❖ Celebration of Mass of the Nativity



It will take place at 8.00pm on Thursday 24 December.

Zoom invitations will be sent out to the parish at least one week before

MASSES AND SERVICES DURING THE COMING FORTNIGHT

Sun 20th Dec	9.30 am MASS	Fourth Sunday of Advent YEAR B	Peter Lamb [LD]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
	Fr John		Edna Jones	MASS at home 5.00pm
Mon 21st Dec	Fr John	Weekday of Advent, St Peter Canisius	Mary Theresa Brown	MASS at home 10.30am
Tues 22nd Dec		Advent Weekday	----	----
Wed 23rd Dec	12.00 NOON MASS	Advent Weekday St John of Kanty	November Dead List 2020	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Thur 24th Dec		Christmas Vigil Mass	For all the victims of Covid-19	Fr John Via ZOOM
Fri 25th Dec	9.30 am MASS	The Nativity of the Lord	Missa pro populo	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Sat 26th Dec	10.00 am MASS	St Stephen	Mr & Mrs Sidebottom (Golden Wedding)	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Sun 27th Dec	9.30 am MASS	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	Missa pro populo	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
	Fr John		Jennifer Anne Nicholson	MASS at home 5.00pm
Mon 28th Dec	Fr John	The Holy Innocents	Dr Patrick Molloy	MASS at home 10.30am
Tues 29th Dec		St Thomas à Becket	-----	-----
Wed 30th Dec	12.00 NOON MASS	6th Day of the Christmas Octave	November Dead List 2020	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Thur 31st Dec	Fr John	7th Day of the Christmas Octave	Sheila Sellers	MASS at home 10.30am
Fri 1st Jan 2021	Fr John	Mary, Mother of God	Teresa McKeown	MASS at home 10.30am
Sat 2nd Jan	10.00 am MASS	Saints Basil & Gregory	November Dead List 2020	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Sun 3rd Jan	9.30 am MASS	Second Sunday after Christmas	Missa pro populo	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
	Fr John		Agnes Leah	MASS at home 5.00pm

PRINCIPAL MASSES FOR CHRISTMAS 2020

Thursday 24th Dec @ 8.00pm
CHRISTMAS VIGIL AND "MIDNIGHT" MASS (VIA ZOOM)
Fr John

Friday 25th Dec @ 9.30am
THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
Fr Larkin
BOOK ONLINE

Saturday 26th Dec @ 10.00am
ST STEPHEN, THE FIRST MARTYR
Fr Larkin
BOOK ONLINE

Sunday 27th Dec @ 9.30am
THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH
Fr Larkin
BOOK ONLINE

Wednesday 30th Dec @ 12.00noon
**SIXTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY
OF THE LORD**
Fr Larkin

Please understand that if you arrive at the last minute you may find that all 30 places have been taken and you will need to make other arrangements.