

The Good Shepherd

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Sunday 28 February 2021
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MASSES DURING THE WEEK

Readings and Mass texts can be found at:
www.universalis.com

Sunday 28 Feb	9.30 am MASS Fr John	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	Missa pro populo Private Intention	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH Mass at home 5.00pm
Mon 01 March	Fr John	ST DAVID, BISHOP AND PATRON OF WALES	Private Intention	Mass at home 10.30am
Tues 02 March		Weekday of Lent	Private Intention	Mass at home 10.30am
Wed 03 March	12.00 NOON MASS	Weekday of Lent	Alex Breckin [A]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Thur 04 March	Fr John	Weekday of Lent	Private Intention	Mass at home 10.30am
Fri 05 March	Fr John	Weekday of Lent	Private Intention	Mass at home 10.30am
Sat 06 March	10.00 am MASS	Weekday of Lent	November Dead List 2021	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Sunday 07 March	9.30 am MASS Fr John	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	Missa pro populo Private Intention	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH Mass at home 5.00pm

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Please submit notices (by Wednesday 8pm) - to Fr Larkin by email at
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DO WOMEN HAVE A FUTURE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

On March 8 International Women's Day, why not join the Tablet's discussion between 6.00pm and 7.00pm. The discussion will be led by, Joanna Moorhead Writer and editor, Kate McElwee Women's Ordination Conference, Zuzanna Filsowska-Caridi Voices of Faith, Liz Dodd Home News Editor of the Tablet; Full details of how to join the call will be sent in the days before the event. All proceeds from this event will go to The Tablet's Development Fund. To book your tickets visit: www.thetablet.co.uk/events

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2021 The annual World Day of Prayer service which takes place on Friday 05 March and was due this year to be hosted by Hebden Royd Methodist Church, will unfortunately not take place. The Good Shepherd, St Michael's and Hope Baptist, who were working together with Hebden Royd to plan this ecumenical service, have liaised over the past months and have agreed that due to the constraints of COVID restrictions, physical participation is not possible. However, virtual services are available and you can access these by going on the World Day of Prayer website. The 2021 service written by the women of Vanuatu, a South Pacific country made up of scattered islands, takes the theme, Build on a Strong Foundation. Globally, this has been a difficult and challenging twelve months and joining with the people of Vanuatu in prayer, gives us the opportunity to reflect on the World Day of Prayer motto, INFORMED PRAYER, PRAYERFUL ACTION, as we seek as Christians, to create as a more just, peaceful and equitable future for everyone.

TUESDAY PRAYER VIA ZOOM AT 12.00 NOON

Jean and David Marsh 02 March / Maureen and Frank Flynn 09 March
Anne and Mike Plunkett 16 March / Patricia and Paul Newman 23 March
Bernadette and John Gibson 30 March

PRAYERS OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS

28 FEB - "We pray for all considering abortion. We pray that the love and kindness of those around them would support pregnant women everywhere to continue with their pregnancy and find peace and joy in what the future holds. Lord hear us

LENTEN LESSONS ON THE MASS Relevant Radio® has been helping people bridge the gap between faith and everyday life through informative, entertaining, and interactive programming twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week. Please visit The Relevant Radio [network https://relevantradio.com/2021/02/missing-mass-more-than-ever/](https://relevantradio.com/2021/02/missing-mass-more-than-ever/)

CAFOD This Lent, CAFOD invites you help give the boot to water poverty across the world. Donate online at CAFOD.org.uk/give or Text LENT to 70460 to donate £10 or support Jo Woodhead who is walking for CAFOD 10,000 steps, every day, for 40 days. You can sponsor Jo at <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/cafod-walk-for-water632>

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ONLINE LENT COURSE Each Monday in Lent 7-00pm and 8-00pm Lent Course: God With Us: Exploring the Old Testament, led by Fr Tim Swinglehurst on Zoom. Please find a full timetable of meetings and topics, below. For more details and Zoom invitations, email - Dr Gregory Stacey, BA MSt DPhil (Oxon) gregory.stacey@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Monday 01 March Moses and the Encounter with the Living God

Monday 08 March King David: Saint and Sinner

Monday 15 March Isaiah and the Prophetic Word Fire

Monday 22 March The Psalmist: Songs of Wisdom, Songs of Praise

ONLINE WEEKS OF GUIDED PRAYER The Briery is offering two weeks of online guided prayer between 08 and 19 March 2021. The first week consists of online meetings 7-30pm to 8-30pm covering introductions and different ways of praying. The second week includes a commitment to daily prayer time and individual online meeting with prayer guide (30mins each). The suggested offering to take part is £50. For further information, go to: www.briery.org.uk, 01943 607287 or briery@btconnect.com

FIELD NOTES Mountains are places where God is to be found. Moses delivered God's Law from the summit of Mount Sinai. Jesus, the new Moses, delivered the New Law (the Sermon on the Mount) from a mountain. We remember how Moses on Mount Sinai could not look on the face of God. With Jesus appear Moses and Elijah. Moses represents the Law and Elijah the prophets. Together they represent the whole tradition of God's people. In being seen talking with Jesus, it is understood that Jesus is a continuation of the tradition they represent.

Only three apostles were privileged to see the transfigured glorious Christ. St Peter, the fisherman, was chosen by Jesus as the Rock on which the infant Church was built. St John was the friend closest to the Lord who worked out the essential truth that Jesus is the Word of God made flesh: true God and true man. The fourth Gospel began to take shape in the mind of St John on that mountain top when he saw Jesus alongside Moses and Elijah. And St James? He was John's elder brother and they were clearly a lively pair - the sons of Thunder. But he also trusted them. He invited them to join Peter not only at the Transfiguration but also in the garden of Gethsemane. Peter and James and John are the trio of close companions trusted by the Lord. John lived on till the end of the first century - his vocation to meditate and to distil his thoughts. Peter likewise left Jerusalem and made his headquarters in Rome, where he was crucified, during the persecution of Christians by Nero in AD 64, some 30 yrs after Christ's resurrection. One of the reasons why we know so much less about James is that his was a much shorter life. It was in AD 44, only a decade after Calvary that King Herod Agrippa launched a persecution of the Church and arrested and beheaded James. There is a ninth-century tradition that James's body was eventually taken to be reburied in Spain at Compostela and so it rapidly became one of the most visited pilgrimage destinations of the middle ages.

During Lent let us honour these three apostles. Read the Gospel of Mark to meditate on the person of Jesus, as the disciples did. And make a pilgrimage. Not to Compostela, but seek out a holy place and say "Lord, it is wonderful for us to be here!".

It is good to be together...

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

These prayer petitions are taken from parishioners' requests sent in recently.

Robert Morley hoping to start treatment for cancer very soon. 14/01/21

With thanks for prayers received: Doris Phillips is now home from hospital and recovering well from both operation and Covid. 21/02/21

For **Barry Harrop** he was unable to have the planned operation and now faces an uncertain future with advanced oesophageal cancer. 21/02/21

For **Alfie** born at 28 weeks and weighing 730 grams, and for his mother Emily, still struggling with her own health, that they may grow in strength and health together.

Aileen Queenan – asks for our ongoing prayers and thanks us for our support. 14/01/21

For **all receiving treatment for cancer** at this time 14/01/21

Please pray for **Clive Barker** living with ongoing health issues. 14/01/21

Please pray for **Molly** suddenly admitted to hospital 20/02/21

Please pray for **Annis Peart - Binns** during this period. 14/01/21

Please pray for **Rosa** - remains in need of prayers and spiritual support. 21/02/21

For **those suffering from Covid 19** and its aftermath.

For **those in positions of decision-making**, to be guided by the Common Good.

For **the isolated and sick** at this time of Covid restrictions.

For **those in care and hospital work** – may they be given resilience.

For **the recently bereaved** – when we cannot console them directly.

Of your mercy please pray for:

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Kath Fleet, Canon Joseph Finan, Gez Hodgson.

All who have recently died. Pray for the repose of their souls.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

If you have a petition and would like it to be included contact Fr Larkin by email at pp.thegoodshepherd@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

PRAY FOR:

THE SICK Robert Morley, Doris Phillips, Barry, David Heap, Annis Peart-Binns, Aileen Queenan, Thomas Davis, Mary Harwood, Mary Howard, Edna Harwood, Rosa Maria Santos.

CLERGY Please remember to keep in your prayers those who are unwell or recovering from sickness at this time, especially Deacon Patrick Kelly and Deacon Edwin Murphy. Support with your prayers also, all the priests and deacons of our diocese who are burdened with long-term illnesses.

LATELY DEAD Kath Fleet, Canon Joseph Finan, Gez Hodgson.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.