

The Good Shepherd

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THE MOST BLESSED TRINITY

MASSES DURING THE WEEK Readings and Mass texts visit www.universalis.com

Sunday 30 May	9.30 AM	THE MOST BLESSED TRINITY	Missa pro populo	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Mon 31 May		THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	PRIVATE MASS	Sowerby Bridge
Tues 01 June		St Justin, Martyr		
Wed 02 June	12.00 NOON	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Harry & Tess Bush	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Thur 03 June		Ss Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs		
Fri 04 June		Weekday in Ordinary Time	PRIVATE MASS	Sowerby Bridge
Sat 05 June	10.00AM	St Boniface, Bishop and Martyr	November Dead List 2021	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Sunday 06 June	9.30 AM	CORPUS CHRISTI	Missa pro populo	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Please submit notices (by Wednesday 8pm) - to Fr Larkin by email at pp.thegoodshepherd@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION AND CELEBRATIONS

First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation

CONFIRMATION - THURSDAY 15 JULY AT 7:30PM

I am delighted to inform you that, Bishop Marcus has granted me the faculty to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Here is the text of the letter –

To our beloved brother in Christ, **The Reverend Father Malachy Larkin** Parish Priest of the Parishes of the Sacred Heart and Saint Patrick, Sowerby Bridge and the Good Shepherd, Mytholmroyd. I hereby grant, in accordance with Canon 884 81 of the Code of Canon Law, the faculty to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to those candidates who have been suitably and properly instructed (Canon 889 82 and 890) on: Thursday 15th July 2021 Given at Leeds on the 4th May, in the Year of Our Lord 2021, Bishop Marcus.

Subject to the planned easing of restrictions being confirmed, we will celebrate Confirmation for our Y6 pupils. Can you please ensure that the person your son/daughter has asked to be their sponsor is advised of the date/time, however, at the moment, we are unable to advise on the numbers of people (friends and family) who will be permitted to join us on the evening.

FIRST CONFESSION – SATURDAY 17 JULY AT 12 NOON Y3 Catholic Pupils - The Sacred Heart school will prepare your child as follows. Confession Workshops for CHILDREN ONLY will be held in school - sessions will last 1 hr and the dates / Time (prompt 3:45pm start): · Tuesday 15 June 2021 / 22 June / 29 June / 5 July / 13 July. Confessions for all children – 12 noon Saturday 17 July in Sacred Heart and St. Patrick Church.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - SUNDAY 18 JULY 9:30AM

Y4 and Y5 Catholic Pupils – 1st Holy Communion Preparation 2021

We will celebrate First Holy Communion - Sunday 18 July 9:30am at Good Shepherd Mytholmroyd. If your child is a baptised Catholic, has made their First Confession, they can continue their sacramental journey by making First Communion - This year due to the pandemic, the Sacrament will be celebrated by the children in both Y4 and Y5.

Communion Workshops for CHILDREN from both parishes will be held at Sacred Heart School Sowerby Bridge. The session will last 1 hr.

· Monday 14 June 2021 (prompt 3:45pm start) / · Monday 21 June 2021

· Monday 28 June 2021 / Monday 5 July 2021

· First Communion Celebration – Sunday 18 July 9:30am Good Shepherd. Be aware that there is an expectation that your child also attends Sunday Mass each week during their preparation. Currently you can book attendance at Mass via the Parish website.

THE WEDNESDAY WORD Lectio Divina - prayerfully preparing for Sunday with reflections on the readings. Available online: www.wednesdayword.org

DIOCESE OF LEEDS - HANDS – FACE – SPACE – VENTILATE

The following guidance assumes that the established diocesan requirements for churches to be open are in place. In particular, the maximum safe operating capacity of the church (in our case 30) must continue to be observed and the number and position within the church of people attending at any one time should be overseen by volunteer stewards. The limit on attendance at funerals is now the safe capacity of the Church building.

Face Coverings In England, face coverings are required by law to be worn in places of worship. The presiding celebrant in the sanctuary, providing they are sufficiently distant (2m or more) from the congregation, does not need to wear a face covering.

Social Distancing and the Limitation on Numbers Attending Mass In the Diocese of Leeds, the following guidance should be maintained: The 2m social distancing requirements should be applied wherever possible. Good ventilation of the sacred space (especially during and between services) remains important. Special consideration should be given to the 'R number', the prevalence of new variants of the virus, local rates of hospital admissions and any local public health advice. Should a higher transmission risk result from an increase in prevalence of any covid-19 variants of concern in a parish's local area, advice should be sought from the Diocesan Health and Safety Officer.

Managing Church Access Parishes should continue to operate the registration arrangements which they have in place for those wishing to attend the celebration of Mass at weekends and at liturgies where the numbers may need to continue to be restricted to the safe capacity of the church. Methods for track and trace (QR Codes or Booking systems for liturgies) should be in place.

Congregational Singing, Choirs and Music Indoor congregational singing remains prohibited at Step 3 of the Government's 'Roadmap out of Lockdown'. Further guidance from Public Health England is expected before the 21 June, Step 4, date is reached.

The Communion Rite The physical exchange of a Sign of Peace remains suspended at this time, clergy should omit the invitation to offer the sign of peace, prior to the *Agnus Dei*. This will be kept under review.

Cleaning of Churches General cleaning to a good standard, using generally available cleaning fluids, with attention to frequent touchpoints is the standard to continue. There are several key things which churches and parishes have been doing, and should continue to do, which significantly reduce this risk: On entering and leaving the church, everyone should be asked to use the hand sanitiser product provided at the entrance and exits of the church. Ensuring people wear face coverings properly will reduce aerosol or droplet spread. Ventilating buildings well. Maintaining a good general standard of routine cleaning using usual cleaning detergents is sufficient for regular use. If someone has tested positive for Covid-19 who has used your church premises in the last 24 hours, and you are aware of this, then you should ensure the building is cleaned thoroughly using ordinary detergents. That does **NOT** mean a "deep clean", which is not necessary.

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.

**APPOINTMENT OF ARCHBISHOP ARTHUR ROCHE, BISHOP EMERITUS OF LEEDS,
AS THE NEW PREFECT OF THE CONGREGATION FOR DIVINE WORSHIP**



I am pleased to inform you that the Press Office of the Holy See announced on Tuesday 25 May that His Holiness Pope Francis has appointed The Most Reverend Monsignor Arthur Roche, Archbishop-Bishop Emeritus of Leeds, as the new Prefect of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments. Bishop Vittorio Francesco Viola, O.F.M., until now Bishop of Tortona, becomes the Secretary, while the Pope also conferred on him the title Archbishop-Bishop emeritus of Tortona. Msgr. Aurelio García Marcías, who previously served as Office Manager at the Congregation, will now become its Under-Secretary. The Pope also assigned him the titular See of Rotdon. The communique from the Press Office also contained a short biography of Bishop-elect Aurelio García Marcías: He was born on 28 March 1965 in Pollos (Spain), and was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Valladolid in 1992. Bishop-elect García Marcías obtained a Licentiate in Philosophy from the University of Salamanca and a Doctorate in Liturgy from the Pontifical Liturgical Institute of Sant'Angelo (Rome).

He was Archdiocesan Delegate for Liturgy and Rector of the Seminary of Valladolid.

See the Vatican News Website: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2021-05/pope-francis-appointments-divine-worship-sacraments.html>

TUESDAY PRAYER VIA ZOOM AT 12.00 NOON

June 1 Deborah & Roger / June 8 Maureen & Frank Flynn / June 15 Jean & David Marsh / June 22 Nick Burchnall / June 29 Janet Almond / July 6 Patricia & Paul Newman / July 13 Anne & Mike Plunkett / July 20 Bernadette & John Gibson

RIGHT TO LIFE NEWS was launched so that we can reach a far wider audience of people with the latest pro-life news that will keep people informed and help change even more hearts and minds on life issues. Pro-life news website is already the most viewed pro-life website in Europe and the fourth most viewed pro-life website in the world - and this digital news platform has been built to enable us to reach even more people. One of our recent campaigns, such as Equally Human <https://righttolife.org.uk/equallyhuman>, which aims to protect babies with Down's syndrome, cleft lip, and club foot.

As part of our efforts to spread pro-life news, follow the link:

<https://righttolife.org.uk/news>

FORTHCOMING ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Please pray for Rev Christopher Butler as he prepares for his Ordination to the Priesthood on Saturday 17 July 2021, 11:00am at Leeds Cathedral. I hope that it will be possible to extend an invitation to all clergy, seminarians and religious to attend the Ordination. Please put the date in your diary and, if it proves possible, make every effort to come along and support Christopher with your presence and your prayers.

COUNSELLING SERVICE Catholic Care are offering a free and confidential counselling service to members of our Catholic community. If you feel that you, a family member or friend might benefit contact us on 0113 388 5400, 0773 997 5008 or email counselling@catholic-care.org.uk

FLOWERS Please place your donation into the box marked "Flowers" If you would like to contribute for one week's flowers for church, contact Doris Moorhead 01422 842931
Rota: June 6 Dorothy Burns, June 13 Janet Almond, June 20 Maureen & Frank Flynn
June 27 Liz Bavidge, July 4 Jean & David Marsh July 11 Katie Binns, July 18 Kay Pierce, July 25 Rita Alston

CHASING THE WIND – PHILOSOPHY, THE BIBLE, AND THE PROBLEM OF EVIL A series of 5 talks by Dr Gregory Stacey, exploring accessible responses to the claim that the existence of evil makes belief in God irrational, will take place via Zoom on Monday nights from 7-8pm, beginning on 14 June. For information and Zoom invitations, please email gregory.stacey@dioceseofleeds.org.uk. Poster attached.

PARISH GIVING If you wish to set up a standing order account details are:

Good Shepherd Mytholmroyd - Sort Code 40-27-15 and the Account No. 21023209

I want to take this opportunity in thanking you for all your support.

Parish Finance 2020/21

A summary of parish accounts for 2020/21 has been sent as a separate attachment. If you have any questions on the numbers, please send them to Nick Burchnall.

Contact (nick.burchnall@gmail.com or 01422 243394))

THE BRIERY ZOOM MEDITATION, Thursday from 7.30pm to 8.15pm. We open at 7.15pm for a chat and start promptly at 7.30pm. It is a simple format of praying with the Sunday Mass Readings and sharing in small groups. To Join Briery Thursday Meditation click on the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83436583706?pwd=M1RUNFNvcVJkMXUwSUNWSVdITnhJZz09>

Or log into the app using the following: Meeting ID: 834 3658 3706

Passcode: 977049

“I Am the Vine, You Are the Branches” (John 15) Fr John Farrell, OP, leads a silent residential retreat at the Briery from 2-8 June 2021. The offering is £480 for the week with full board and en-suite accommodation. For further details and a booking form please email: briery@btconnect.com or telephone: 01943 607287.

The God who speaks through families in the bible 19 June 2021 led by Breda Theakston & Jean Marsh. The offering is £35 for this day's retreat and includes morning coffee, lunch and afternoon tea with cake. For further details and a booking form please email: briery@btconnect.com or telephone: 01943 607287.

Following Jesus – discipleship in the new testament 12 -17 July – Fr Donald Senior, CP, presents a live streamed retreat. Participants can be residential at the Briery from 12-17 July with full board and en-suite accommodation (offering £400) or receive the link at home (offering £200). For further details and a booking form please email: briery@btconnect.com or telephone: 01943 607287.

LIVE-STREAMING OF MASSES ONLINE

DAILY MASS FROM LEEDS CATHEDRAL

YouTube channel: www.leedscathedrallive.org.uk

SALFORD CATHEDRAL – MASS AT 11.00am Sunday go to:

<http://www.salfordcathedral.co.uk/>

CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE KING, LIVERPOOL

Watch from 11am Sunday on Facebook page and YouTube channel.

MONASTIC LITURGIES 10.00am Sunday Mass can be found at the Benedictine, Glenstal Abbey, Limerick, www.glenstal.com/abbey/liturgy-prayer/church-web-cam

ST MARY'S CHURCH, HALIFAX

Go to stmaryshalifax.com 9.30am daily and Sunday @ 11.00am

FR DENIS MCBRIDE C.SS.R. Each Sunday service will be accessed through the website below

www.rpbooks.co.uk/holy-mass-online

NATIONAL SHRINE AT WALSINGHAM

www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/

Ss PETER AND PAUL CHURCH, PORTLAOISE, IRELAND

Daily Mass @ 10.00am <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jy89Co1szkA>

NEW CONTACT DETAILS FOR FR JOHN

New mobile (DM): 07856 974301