

# The Good Shepherd

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## THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**MASSES DURING THE WEEK** Readings and Mass texts visit [www.universalis.com](http://www.universalis.com)

Sunday 24 Oct	9.30 AM	THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Felicity Atkinson [LD]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Mon 25 Oct		ST LUKE, EVANGELIST FEAST	PRIVATE MASS	SOWERBY BRIDGE
Tues 26 Oct		Ss Chad and Cedd, Bishops		
<b>Wed 27 Oct</b>			<b>NO MASS TODAY</b>	
Thur 28 Oct		SS SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES FEAST		
Fri 22 Oct		Weekday in Ordinary Time	PRIVATE MASS	SOWERBY BRIDGE
Sat 29 Oct	10.00AM	Saturday Mass of Our Lady	Kate Leslie	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Sunday 30 Oct	9.30 AM	ALL SAINTS	Missa pro populo	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH

### WEDNESDAY MASS

On **Wednesday 27 October** I have a Deanery meeting with Fr Kelly (on the Synod of Bishops 2021 - 2023) – There will be no Mass that day.

**PARISH NEWSLETTER** Please submit notices (by Wednesday 8pm) - to Fr Larkin by email at [pp.thegoodshepherd@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:pp.thegoodshepherd@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

**GUIDANCE ON COVID** Tentatively we are moving into a more normal rhythm as we hopefully regain our confidence, whilst of course being aware that the COVID virus still circulates along with the flu virus.

**Face Coverings** a good idea in indoor settings.

**Hand Sanitiser** available for people to use.

**Congregational Singing** to be kept under review.

**The Communion Rite** Sign of Peace remains suspended.

**REMEMBER** if your health is not good and you are vulnerable, if you have any of the above symptoms you should stay at home. Thank you for your continuing support

**UNIVERSE CATHOLIC WEEKLY** a new online Catholic newspaper called the Universe Catholic Weekly as a successor to the former Catholic Universe which as you will know went into administration earlier this year. The new publication has the full support of Cardinal Nichols who we saw last week. The aim of the new publication is simple... to give Catholics the chance to read about the world through the lens of their religion. It will contain the latest UK and world news alongside features about the Vatican, discussions about topics such as abortion and married clergy alongside lighter fare in our life style supplement.

We hope that you will be able to support our new publication and that we can all work together in the promotion of the Faith throughout the UK.

Visit <https://universecatholicweekly.co.uk/>

**PAID WORK OPPORTUNITY WITH THE JUSTICE & PEACE COMMISSION** Are you passionate about Social Justice? The Commission has a paid opportunity for self-employed people to undertake part-time activities for the Commission. For full details see the home page of our website [www.leedsjp.org.uk](http://www.leedsjp.org.uk). Closing date for submissions is 05 November 2021.

**THE MARK 10 MISSION TEAM** We have been busy creating new children's liturgies for the Autumn term and can't wait for you to see them. Each week we will be sharing the Gospel. We want as many children as possible to encounter Jesus for themselves and so our online episodes are completely free to everybody. We are delighted to announce that Bishop Marcus Stock, Bishop of Leeds and Chairman of The Catholic Education Service has joined the Mark 10 Mission team.

Click on <https://www.themark10mission.co.uk/new-202122-episodes>

Please visit **THE MARK 10 MISSION** YouTube channel – like, share and subscribe.

**FROM PARISH TO MISSION AND THE SYNOD OF BISHOPS 2021 – 2023** I have been in contact with Fr Kelly (St Mary's Halifax) and Jessica Wilkinson who jointly lead the Diocesan Synodal Team. I have submitted dates for the parish meeting they will get back to me in soon. The listening exercise is based around the principle of Appreciative Inquiry (AI). AI focuses on what works already and on what people really care about. The overall aim of AI

therefore is to identify and develop what already works, rather than trying to fix what does not. Typically, AI uses four consecutive steps:

1. **Discover** - identification of what already works well / what is important to people.
2. **Dream** - The envisioning of what could/would/will work well in the future.
3. **Design** - Planning and prioritising how to move forward with which ideas.
4. **Deliver** - The implementation of the new ideas.

Our listening exercises will start with **Steps 1 and 2**,

**The Listening sessions will last 1hr 30min starting at 7.00pm.**

## **10 THEMES TO EXPLORE**

In order to help highlight the experiences and contribute to the consultation, see below ten themes to explore taken from the preparatory document (Synod 2021 - 2023).

- 1) **THE JOURNEYING COMPANIONS** In the Church and in society, we are side by side on the same road. In your local Church, who are the ones “journeying together”? When we say: “our Church,” who is part of it? Who is on the margins?
- 2) **LISTENING** Listening is the first step, but it requires having an open mind and heart, without prejudices. To whom does our Church need to listen to?
- 3) **SPEAKING OUT** All are invited to speak with courage, freedom, truth, and charity. How do we promote what is important to us?
- 4) **CELEBRATING** “Journeying together” is only possible if it is based on communal listening to the Word and the celebration of the Eucharist. How do prayer and liturgical celebration inspire and direct our journeying together? How do we promote the active participation in the liturgy?
- 5) **CO-RESPONSIBLE IN THE MISSION** Since we are all disciples, how is each Baptized person called to serve in the mission? How does the community support its members committed to service in society (social / political commitment, in scientific research / teaching, in the promotion of social justice, human rights, and in caring for the Common home, environment etc.)?
- 6) **DIALOGUE IN CHURCH AND SOCIETY** Dialogue is a path of perseverance that also includes silences and sufferings, but which is capable of gathering the experience of all. What are the places and modes of dialogue within our particular Church? How are divergences of vision, the conflicts, the difficulties addressed? How do we promote collaboration with other churches / deanery, etc.?
- 7) **WITH THE OTHER CHRISTIAN DENOMINATIONS** The dialogue between Christians of different confessions, united by one Baptism, has a special place in the synodal journey. What relations do we have with the brothers and sisters of other Christian denominations?
- 8) **AUTHORITY AND PARTICIPATION** How do we identify the goals to be pursued, the way to achieve them?
- 9) **DISCERNING AND DECIDING** By what procedures and methods do we discern together and make decisions? How can they be improved?

10) **FORMING OURSELVES IN SYNODALITY** How do we form people, especially those who hold roles of responsibility within the Christian community, to make them more capable of journeying together, listening to one another and engaging in dialogue?

**ST JAMES**, Church Lane, Mytholm, Hebden Bridge HX7 6DS is organising the following: 6 November to 21 November - A Local History Exhibition commemorating the centenary of the Royal British Legion and the WW1 memorials of the parish church of Hebden Bridge. The church will be open during those two weeks for people to view the exhibition (and if wished to have a drink and chat). Several free events and services have been organised. <http://www.stjameshebdenbridge.com/> or find us on facebook.

**RIGHT TO LIFE UK URGENT APPEAL** The abortion lobby has already been successful at using the Coronavirus crisis to temporarily introduce home 'DIY' abortions. The policy has not only accompanied a large increase in the number of lives ended by abortion but has also been linked to a number of serious incidents where women's lives have been put at risk while performing their abortion at home. Our opposition is now eager to see more widespread changes to legislation enacted and we are currently facing major threats on both abortion and assisted suicide issues.

Fighting both the abortion and assisted suicide lobbies over this period has already made a huge dent in Right To Life UK's limited resources. We are, therefore, appealing to you to please give as generously as you can to ensure we can defeat the abortion and assisted suicide lobbies in these upcoming battles. Every donation, no matter how small, will go towards saving the lives of the unborn and many others.

Please visit [www.righttolife.org.uk/give](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/give) for more information and to donate now.

**FLOWERS** Rota: 24 October Liz McLaughlin, 31 October Doris Moorhead, 7 November Mary Harwood, 14 November Mary & Tom O'Connell, 21 November Karen Parrish.

Thank you to all who have regularly donated to the Flower Funding Rota. If you are able to help, please contact Doris Moorhead on 01422 842931.

**HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN** visiting of patients by the RC Chaplain has been suspended except for End-of-Life situations. However, support for patients, family members and hospital staff is still available from the RC Chaplain by calling, 10 am to 12 noon Monday to Friday, Fr Nealon on 07770544959.

**TUESDAY PRAYER VIA ZOOM** look out for the email.

**ADVANCE NOTICE** Hebden Bridge Brass Band Remembrance concert in church, Sunday 14 November 7pm. Admission free though donations are welcome. We are proud to be hosting the prizewinning band's first concert in 18 months. Please note there will be no bar or refreshments at this event.

**ONLINE ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN** click on the following [https://www.bigmarker.com/series/cafod-children-s-liturgy/series\\_summit](https://www.bigmarker.com/series/cafod-children-s-liturgy/series_summit)

**INTRODUCING THE LEEDS CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS STUDIES.** In partnership with Leeds Trinity University, the Diocese is launching a new programme which explores Catholic faith, education and spirituality. An information evening will be held at Hinsley Hall, and online via Zoom, on Monday 25 October from 7-00pm - 8-00pm. For more information, email [gregory.stacey@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:gregory.stacey@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

**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**

Thank you for supporting the parish financially it is appreciated.

**FR JOHN UPDATE** Fr John continues to recover in Rastrick Hall Care Home Brighouse. His sister and David have visited him there and speak to him regularly over the phone, he appears to be recuperating well. The Care Home have Facilities to keep an eye on his Medical needs. Fr John is actively considering moving into a Care Home on a permanent basis - if a suitable one can be found and have a vacancy. If anyone knows a Care Home that they can recommend and think Fr John might be happy to move into, he would be pleased to know about it. He continues to keep you all in his prayers and passes his thanks on to all who are doing the same for him. Fr John has enjoyed reading the many unexpected cards and letters that he has received from parishioners and friends.

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