The Good Shepherd

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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY 26 December 2021 to 09 January 2022 YEAR C

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

Sunday 26 Dec	9.30 AM	THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH	Missa pro populo	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Mon 27 Dec		ST JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST	PRIVATE MASS	SOWERBY BRIDGE
Tues 28 Dec		THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS	_	SOWERBY BRIDGE
Wed 29 Dec	12.00 noon	ST THOMAS BECKET, BISHOP AND MARTYR	-	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Thur 30 Dec		SIXTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE	-	SOWERBY BRIDGE
Friday 31 Dec		SEVENTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE	PRIVATE MASS	SOWERBY BRIDGE
SATURDAY 01 JAN 22	10.00 AM	SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD	For my dear Mother [LD]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
SUNDAY 02 JAN 22	9.30 AM	SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY	Missa pro populo	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Wed 05 JAN	NO MASS TODAY	Wednesday of Christmas Time	-	
SATURDAY 08 JAN 22	10.00 AM	Saturday after Epiphany	For my dear Father [GH]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
SUNDAY 09 JAN 22	9.30 AM	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	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**

CHRISTMAS 2021 AND THE NEW YEAR 2022 I would like to thank you for your kindly support, cards and help as I celebrate my sixth Christmas with you. Let me take this opportunity to wish you and all in the district the blessings of Christmas and a Happy New Year. With my very best wishes, gratitude and the assurance of prayers for you and those you love. Fr Larkin pp

CLARIFICATION ON THE SUNDAY OBLIGATION - The Bishops, now having reflected on the current situation in England and Wales, recognise that the causes and effects of the pandemic are still present to such a degree that the absolute duty for all to freely attend the Sunday Eucharistic Celebration cannot yet be fulfilled.

GUIDANCE ON COVID

Please note the following to mitigate Covid-19 infections and reduce transmission:

- If you have any symptoms of Covid-19, please stay at home and not travel to church.
- Hand sanitiser continue to be available on entry to the church.
- Good ventilation and airflow should be enabled throughout the church premises.
- Face coverings are compulsory in most public indoor venues, including **places of worship**. Please wear a face covering when attending church unless you are exempt from doing so.

• Everyone should test using a lateral flow device, particularly before entering a setting involving people you wouldn't normally come into contact with, or when visiting a vulnerable person.

In all of this, I thank you for the generous way that you have looked after and assisted one another in feeling safe when coming before the Lord in prayer.

THE MARK 10 MISSION TEAM In this liturgy, we hope you can join us this week to listen to The Word of God, Pray and Worship together

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

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

CHURCHES TOGETHER are holding a service for Epiphany on Sunday Jan 9, 3pm at St Thomas's, Heptonstall. All are welcome.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION The dates have been set for the Deanery celebrations for the sacraments of First Reconciliation and Confirmation for 2022.
 CONFIRMATION ON WEDNESDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2022 7PM, AT
 ST MALACHY'S CHURCH OVENDEN
 RECONCILIATION ON SATURDAY 2 APRIL 2022 AT 2PM AT ST BERNARD'S CHURCH, HALIFAX
 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IN OUR OWN PARISH ON CORPUS CHRISTI AT 9.30AM
 If your child is in Y3 or above then they are welcome to join the Reconciliation group, Y4 and above for First Holy Communion.

We have not had a confirmation group at Good Shepherd for 2 years and we propose to run a group for any of our children/young people starting in January. This will be for anyone Y6 or older. Please contact me asap if you believe your child is the right age and ready for the next step in their faith journey. Jowoodhead1@gmail.com or mobile 07725 854932

HALIFAX FOOD BANK is still providing food to ~200 people each week. As we enter the winter months' items such as hats, scarves, gloves and socks are needed – please help if you can.

REPAIR AND REUSE A Repair Cafe, run by skilled volunteers, is available in Heptonstall School on the second Saturday of each month from 10am - 1pm. Electrical and furniture repairs, sewing and mending and knife sharpening, is undertaken whilst enjoying a friendly chat with cake and a cuppa. More details are available on their Facebook page.

TUESDAY PRAYER ZOOM ROTA

Jan 11 Deborah Rolland and Roger Masters / Jan 18 Maureen and Frank Flynn Jan 25 Nick Burchnall / Feb 01 Patricia and Paul Newman Feb 8 Anne and Mike Plunkett The above is a suggested rota up to February 08 2022. Please swap with someone else if you find you are unavailable on the date suggested.

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.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING Each year, the collection taken at Christmas, together with the collection taken at Easter, is the offering which forms an important part of the annual taxable income of priests. If you would prefer to make an offering by direct bank transfer to the parish bank account, please mark it *'Christmas Offering'*. details are: Good Shepherd Mytholmroyd / Sort Code 40-27-15 / Account No. 21023209 Thank you