

The Good Shepherd

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

| Sunday 09 JAN 22 | 9.30 am MASS | THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD FEAST | Missa pro populo | GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH |
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| Mon 10 JAN 22 | | Weekday in Ordinary Time | - | SOWERBY BRIDGE |
| Tues 11 JAN 22 | | Weekday in Ordinary Time | - | SOWERBY BRIDGE |
| Wed 12 JAN 22 | 12.00 NOON | St Aelred of Rievaulx, Abbot | Terry Finnigan [LD] | GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH |
| Thur 13 JAN 22 | | St Hilary, Bishop and Doctor | - | |
| Fri 14 JAN 22 | | Weekday in Ordinary Time | - | |
| Sat 15 JAN 22 | 10.00 am | Saturday Mass of Our Lady | November Dead List 2022 | GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH |
| Sunday 16 JAN 22 | 9.30 am MASS | SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME | 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

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2022 I would like to thank you for your kindly support, cards and help. Happy New Year everybody. 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 Happy New Year! I hope that you are having a truly blessed Christmas time! NEW! The Epiphany Liturgy

I am delighted to say that The Mark 10 Mission is back with a new liturgy. On Thursday 6 January marks The Epiphany. We have created a liturgy to help children celebrate the magnificent moment when the three wise men from the East arrive in Bethlehem to worship the child Jesus. Pippa gives a typically engaging reflection explaining what their special gifts reveal to us about who Jesus is. In a beautiful time of prayer, we help children to visit the baby Jesus in their hearts and offer him their gifts. We conclude with the classic hymn We Three Kings of Orient Are, sung by Fr Columba CFR.

We have made a few slight changes which we hope that you will appreciate. We have added an Alleluia instrumental before the Gospel reading and added subtitles for the whole reading. We wanted to acknowledge how special a moment the Gospel reading is and the importance of each and every word.

We have also extended the prayer time a little. We want the prayer time to be the key part of the liturgy, the most precious moments where children can encounter God for themselves.

We hope and pray that our Epiphany liturgy blesses you and the children that you serve.

Thank you as always for your support with our project.

Greg and The Mark 10 Team

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

We have 4 candidates for the sacrament of confirmation.

Please pray for Martha Talbot, Colette Brown, Sol Doherty and Lucia Joseph

RECONCILIATION ON SATURDAY 2 APRIL 2022 AT 2PM AT ST BERNARD'S CHURCH, HALIFAX

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IN OUR 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; Jowoodhead1@gmail.com or mobile 07725 854932

CATENIANS Any men wishing to consider joining this Catholic Men's Group is invited to contact Dennis Donnelly, the Membership Officer on 01484 606042.

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.

FLOWER ROTA Next two months:

09 January Mary & Tom O'Connell, 16 January Mary Miles, 23 January Breda & Chris Allen, 30 January Mary Baldwin. 06 February Vacant, 13 February Alan Oswin, 20th February Linda Oswin, 27 February Kay Pierce.

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.

CHRISTMAS EVE CAROL SERVICE 24TH DECEMBER 2021 From the gentle opening carol, Once in Royal David's City, played softly by the Good Shepherd Music Group to the final rousing O Come All Ye Faithful played by Matt on the organ, there was sense of spiritual

coming together as we raised our voices in the candle lit church. Children's voices added to the joyfulness and it felt that we had indeed “Shouted for Joy” as the Scriptures record.

ROOT AND BRANCH Stolen Lives in solidarity with Survivors is the subject for 4 topics to be discussed between January and February. To register: www.rootandbranchsynod.org / or speak to Maureen Flynn

PARISH GIVING

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

Good Shepherd Mytholmroyd

Sort Code 40-27-15

Account No. 21023209

Thank you for supporting the parish financially.