

The Good Shepherd

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - 06 February 2022

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

Sunday 06 FEB 22	9.30 am MASS	FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Peter, Catherine and Mary Price	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Mon 07 FEB 22		SS CYRIL, MONK, AND METHODIUS	-	SOWERBY BRIDGE
Tues 08 FEB 22		St Jerome Emiliani	-	SOWERBY BRIDGE
Wed 09 FEB 22	12.00 NOON	Weekday in Ordinary Time	For KMML [A]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Thur 10 FEB 22		St Scholastica, Virgin	-	
Fri 11 FEB 22		Our Lady of Lourdes	-	
Sat 12 FEB 22	10.00 am	Saturday Mass of Our Lady	For Kathleen [L]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Sunday 13 FEB 22	9.30 am MASS	SIXTH SUNDAY IN 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

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE AT THE GOOD SHEPHERD

We are pleased to let you know that we have new plans for our children and young people. We plan to trial a **monthly Sunday morning group after 9.30am Mass**.

This will be for all ages, since we will divide into age groups throughout the morning and will be from Mass until 12noon.

We will include, teaching, activities, games, food and sometimes a project (e.g., fundraising). This will therefore incorporate some of what we did in the Youth Group, and some of what we did during Mass on Sunday mornings. We hope to involve church members who may be able to help from time to time with different activities.

We hope that the children will bring something to Mass on the following Sunday.

For the present time we will not run the Children's Liturgy on Sundays during Mass. Instead, we will provide worksheets and activities in church for children. We are convinced that, although children are drawing or playing during Mass, they are still soaking up what is said and the atmosphere of what is happening around them.

We plan to try this for 3 months and we look forward to hearing your feedback.

If you are happy to help on occasions or have any thoughts or questions please do speak with Maggie or Emma. It will be great to meet up with all the children and young people again, thank you for your support, Maggie and Emma

THE MARK 10 MISSION TEAM

I'm excited to say that our new liturgy 'Out Into The Deep' is now ready on our website. I hope you enjoy this liturgy and have a brilliant week!

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

This week, we hear about a miraculous catch of fish and Jesus calling his first disciples to follow him. After the Gospel, Fr Henry tells us about the power of personal prayer, especially when we are frightened. He then recounts how Jesus helped him conquer his fear of swimming! This leads into the prayer time and we conclude in worship with Fr Columba. I hope this liturgy blesses you and the children that you serve. Please share it with others so that as many children as possible can hear God's voice in the Gospel and encounter his love through prayer and worship!

Don't forget to view our story of Our Lady of Lourdes.

[Saint Bernadette and Our Lady of Lourdes — The Mark 10 Mission.](#)

It is her feast day on Friday 11 and we have written a child-friendly account for teachers to share. Please visit **THE MARK 10 MISSION** YouTube channel – like, share and subscribe.

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD Please pray for the repose of Rev Fr Bernard Battle who died on 22 December 2021 at Claremont Nursing Home, Farsley, aged 97 years. Fr Battle's body was received into Leeds Cathedral on Monday 24 January 2022 prior to the celebration of Holy Mass. Funeral Mass was the following day, Tuesday 25 January 2022, prior to his burial at Killingbeck Cemetery. May he rest in peace.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to all those clergy celebrating Presbyteral and Diaconal Jubilees this year:

Diamond Rev Fr John O'Keeffe

Golden Rev Mgr Peter Rosser

Ruby Very Rev Mgr Canon Philip Moger

Silver Very Rev Canon Michael McCreddie, Rev Fr Simon Winn, Rev Fr Eric Cheetham, Rev Fr Philip Mills, Rev Fr Nigel Barr

(Diaconal) Rev Harry Rowan, Rev John Lythe

FORTHCOMING ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Please pray for Rev Sean Elliott, as he prepares to be ordained to the Priesthood on Saturday 26 February 2022, 11:00am at Leeds Cathedral. Sean is currently serving in the parishes of St Columba and Our Lady of Lourdes and St Malachy, Halifax.

VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND DIACONATE

Please pray for the following men currently in formation for the Priesthood in the Diocese of Leeds:

Rev Sean Elliott Parochial Ministry (Halifax)

Marc Pitson Parochial Placement (Leeds)

Paul Moores Pontifical Beda College, Rome

Philip Thornley Pontifical Beda College, Rome

Rev Yemane Aradom St Mary's College, Oscott

Alex Noad St Mary's College, Oscott

Stephen O'Hara St Mary's College, Oscott

Steven Whiting St Mary's College, Oscott

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

REHEARSAL FOR CONFIRMATION WEDNESDAY 9 FEBRUARY AT ST MALACHY'S 7-00PM, PARENTS AND SPONSORS TO ATTEND IF POSSIBLE.

**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

CHURCHES TOGETHER LENT HOUSE GROUPS

It is time to start planning the house groups after a gap of 2 years, though a couple of groups did start in 2020. We are going to use 'Music with Spiritual Meaning' that was devised by Kathie Heathcoat, the Methodist Minister.

The groups will start w/b 07 March and will be on the following days

Mon morning	Mytholmroyd	10.00am
Mon afternoon	Hebden Bridge	2.00pm
Wed afternoon	Heptonstall	2.30pm
Thurs afternoon	Mytholmroyd	2.30pm
Wed evening	by Zoom	time TBC

There will be a list at the back of church to sign if you would like to attend. Or you can let me know (07836 268991). Please sign by 13 Feb so we have time to organise CDs and booklets. A donation to cover costs would help (about £2). These are enjoyable groups with the opportunity to share thoughts with other Christians in the area.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2022 is a special year for World Day of Prayer in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. This year WE have prepared the service "For I Know The Plans I Have For You". (Jeremiah 29:11) The service will be held at St Michael's Parish Church, Mytholmroyd on Friday 04 March at 1.30pm. Everyone is welcome at this ecumenical service. Our recent Synodal consultation asked us to reflect on our relationship with other Christian denominations and this local WDP service gives the people of The Good Shepherd the opportunity to re-engage with our neighbouring churches in Mytholmroyd and Hebden-Bridge in prayer, music and reflection. Please put this date in your diary and join us.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED As you've probably noticed we have introduced readers and prayer leaders to Sunday's Mass, this is great as we are increasingly able to celebrate as we used to. Sadly, though the number of people involved in these ministries has diminished during this time, if you would like to be either a reader, prayer leader or welcomer please see Jo or any of the consultors. Also, refreshments after Mass have resumed, if you would like to help in this way speak to one of the consultors.

LUNCHEON CLUB In the next few weeks a review will take place of the luncheon club. It is hoped that we can resume our luncheon club in the near future, if you are interested in getting involved - not necessarily cooking there are lots of other roles please see Doris or Anne Plunkett.

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, 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 on their Facebook page.

FLOWER ROTA Next two months: 06 February Vacant,
13 February Alan Oswin, 20 February Linda Oswin, 27 February Kay Pierce.

TUESDAY PRAYER ZOOM ROTA 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.

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

INVITATION TO VOLUNTEER WITH CAFOD Could you spare a few hours a month to share your talents, experience and energy volunteering for CAFOD?

- **In parish** – help to promote CAFOD’s work to support communities globally who are living with injustices and in poverty.
- **In local schools** – deliver assemblies and workshops about CAFOD’s work. No experience necessary. Full support, resources and regular training provided.
- **Coordinating volunteers** - help support, encourage and bring together a small group of CAFOD volunteers in your local area.

If you’d like to know more, get in touch with Angela apowell@cafod.org.uk or call 07779804247

GUIDANCE ON COVID

COVID-19 measures following the ending of Plan B in England on Thursday 27 January. Some of the key points to note are: There should be a return to the normal mode of celebrating Mass respecting the integrity of the Rite. This includes:

The use of hymn books, missals etc can be resumed.

The reintroduction of the Prayer of the Faithful.

Holy Communion should be distributed to the faithful immediately after the celebrant receives Holy Communion and no longer deferred until after the Blessing and dismissal.

Face Coverings optional.

Hand Sanitiser available for people to use.

Congregational Singing to be introduced early February.

The Communion Rite Sign of Peace and chalice remain under review.

The following still applies which helps to mitigate Covid-19 / Flu infections and reduce transmission: If you have any symptoms of Covid-19, please stay at home and do not travel to church. Good ventilation and airflow important throughout the church premises.

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 it is very much appreciated.