

# The Good Shepherd

Roman Catholic Diocese of Leeds - Registered Charity No. 249404

Royal Fold, New Road, Mytholmroyd, HX7 5EA

Parish Priest: Fr Larkin

Telephone: 01422 832085

Email: Parish Priest: [pp.thegoodshepherd@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:pp.thegoodshepherd@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

Website [www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk](http://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

Facebook: [The Good Shepherd](#)

Website: [www.thegoodshepherd.org.uk](http://www.thegoodshepherd.org.uk)

Safeguarding: [Diocesan Office 0113 261 8069](#)



**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - 03 April 2022**

**Parish Mass Book Vol 1 Year C p176f**

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

Sunday 03 April	9.30 am MASS	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	Mike Miskel	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Mon 04 April		Weekday of Lent	-	
Tues 05 April		Weekday of Lent	-	
Wed 06 April	12.00 NOON	Weekday of Lent	-	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Thur 07 April		Weekday of Lent	-	
Fri 08 April		4-00pm	STATIONS OF THE CROSS	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Sat 09 April	10.00 am	Weekday of Lent	Pam Shand [A]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Sunday 10 April	9.30 am MASS	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	Fr John Gott [LD]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH

**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)

**MAY HE REST IN PEACE** It is with great sadness to let you know Rev Fr John Gott died peacefully 28 March in Huddersfield Infirmary. Please pray for the repose of Fr John's soul and remember his family and friends in your prayers at this time. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

Details of the funeral arrangements

**Reception into church Monday 11 April with Holy Mass 7-00pm**

**Requiem Mass Tuesday 12 April at 12-00 noon.**

**Followed by burial at Fulford Cemetery, Fordlands Rd, Fulford, York YO19 4QG**

Fr John Graham Gott was born in Huddersfield on 9 June 1938. While still a young boy his family moved to Halifax where he was educated at St Mary's Primary School before attending Ratcliffe College in Leicestershire. After leaving school he was called up for National Service and joined the Royal Air Force. He subsequently studied for the priesthood at Ushaw College in County Durham and was ordained at St Anne's Cathedral, Leeds on 12 June 1965. Following his ordination Fr Gott was appointed as Assistant Priest in the parish of St Theresa, at Cross Gates in Leeds. The following year he moved across the city to St Anthony's parish at Beeston. In 1973 he was appointed to St Austin's, Wakefield where he was also chaplain to Wakefield Prison. He stayed in the city for two years before moving to the parish of St Paulinus, Dewsbury.

In 1979 Bishop Wheeler appointed Fr Gott as Parish Priest of St Thomas of Canterbury at Hebden Bridge, and so began an association with the Calder Valley that lasted for the rest of his life. For many years Fr Gott served not only Hebden Bridge but also the churches at Luddenden Foot (St Walburga's) and Mytholmroyd (SS Peter & Paul). In 1990 a new church and parish centre was opened at Mytholmroyd dedicated to The Good Shepherd and Fr Gott moved into the adjoining presbytery. In due course the churches at Hebden Bridge and Luddenden Foot were closed and the Calder Valley parish was consolidated, with Church of The Good Shepherd as its heart.

On Boxing Day 2016 Fr Gott was in the kitchen of the presbytery at Mytholmroyd when the River Calder burst its banks and a wall of water crashed into the house and the church, with devastating effect. He had to be rescued from the property by the emergency services and move in with relatives as the presbytery was deemed to be uninhabitable. The church was closed for nine months. When the refurbishments were completed, it re-opened on 24 September 2016 with a Mass celebrated by Bishop Marcus Stock.

Following his retirement later in 2016 Fr Gott continued to live in the Mytholmroyd area, latterly in residential care. During his final illness he was cared for at The Huddersfield Royal Infirmary where he died on 28 March 2022, aged eighty-three.

Above all, perhaps, Fr Gott will be remembered for his devotion to the Catholic community of the Calder Valley, which he served for almost forty years, delaying his retirement by three years until he was seventy-eight. After so many years, he was also much respected in the wider community of the Valley. The development of The Good Shepherd in Mytholmroyd is his legacy, and a living testament to his view of the Church as a place for worship, for community and for reaching out to the society of today. **May he rest in peace.**

**FLOWERS** A collection for Easter flowers will be taken on the 9/10 April. Thank you

### **EASTER 2022 - REFLECT AND LOOK FORWARD**

**HALIFAX DEANERY CONFESSIONS** - at St Mary's on **Saturday 9 April** between 9am and 5pm

**PALM SUNDAY – 10 APRIL – 9-30AM** The liturgy gives us a preview of the events we will celebrate in the Easter Triduum. The passion, death and resurrection of Jesus are the focus of this and every Sunday celebration. The Profession of Faith is said. The Proper Preface is used (RM. 311-312). Only EPs I-III may be used today.

**THE CHRISM MASS - LEEDS CATHEDRAL – HOLY WEDNESDAY 13 APRIL** The celebration of the Chrism Mass will be at 11:00am on the Wednesday of Holy Week (13 April) at the Leeds Cathedral, Cathedral House, Great George Street, LEEDS LS2 8BE. Tel: 0113 245 4545. All welcome to attend

**THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM** The Easter Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday, and includes Good Friday of the Lord's Passion, the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection.

### **MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER - THURSDAY 14 APRIL 7-30PM**

Mass of the Lord's Supper – Watching before the Altar until 9-30pm

**GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 15 APRIL - FRIDAY 9-30AM** A Day of Fasting and Abstinence

### **EASTER 2022**

I invite you to join me at the **Sacred Heart & St. Patrick's, Bolton Brow, Sowerby Bridge for Mass of Easter Vigil in the Holy Night at 7-30pm**

The celebration of the Easter Vigil begins in darkness, all the lights in the church having been put out. Candles should be prepared for all who take part in the Vigil. The candles are used twice; first during the entrance procession and the singing of the Exsultet, and secondly during the renewal of baptismal promises. The liturgical colour of the Vigil is white; "However, more noble vestments may be used, even if not the colour of the season or the day."

### **EASTER SUNDAY 17 APRIL SUNDAY**

**Good Shepherd Mytholmroyd – 09-30**

Sacred Heart & St. Patrick - 11-00

### **LENT 2022**

**FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS** – Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday at 12.00 midday during Lent. April 01 will be followed by a soup lunch.

**NB. Friday April 8 only at 4-00pm**

This is to enable the youth of our Parish to join us after school. There will be refreshments provided in the Parish Centre. All donations will be sent to CAFOD  
Another opportunity to reflect and look forward

**PUTTING UP THE CROSS AT HORSEHOLD** It is three years since we were last able to put the cross up so help is needed to erect this important witness to the valley.

**Palm Sunday 10 April at 3pm.** Please let Barry or Kay know if you are able to help. Thanks

**WALK FOR HUNGER - JO WOODHEAD** this year I am doing the Walk for Hunger, the Lenten CAFOD fundraiser. The aim is to walk 5km a day for the 40 days of Lent (200km). As most of you will probably know I walk quite a lot as I have a dog; therefore, I have set myself the challenge of walking 10km a day. You can support me with your prayers and moral support – but you could also sponsor me via my **JUST GIVING PAGE** or directly at church. We all know what an amazing job CAFOD do, I look forward to your support. I will endeavour to keep our church facebook updated as to my progress.

### **LENT LUNCHESES - CHRISTIAN AID**

We have been unable to hold the Lent Lunches since 2019 but are now reinstated

**03 April**

**Hope Baptists Hebden Bridge**

10 April

St Michael's Mytholmroyd

All at 12noon except 10 April at 12.15. Please try to attend.

**CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE AT THE GOOD SHEPHERD** Meeting Sunday, **April 03**, 10.30-12pm. All children - See you next week! Maggie and Emma

**UKRAINE SUPPORT GROUP** As you know we met two weeks ago to consider our response to the current conflict in Ukraine, a small group of us met to discuss offering our lounge area as a community centre or similar to refugees and host families a few times a week. Our next meeting is on **Monday 04 April at 6.15pm**, hopefully the link person from Catholic Care will be joining us.

### **THE MARK 10 MISSION TEAM**

**Holy Week** Looking ahead, a reminder that we will be producing TWO liturgies for Holy Week. We will commemorate **The Last Supper** and **The Passion**. We hope to have these ready by the end of next week. We are very excited about the prospect of leading children through this most sacred of weeks. We are putting together a short promo video to spread the word about the Holy Week liturgies and it would be wonderful if you could share it. Each liturgy presents a simplified Gospel reading, a reflection, a prayer and a worship song. Click <https://www.themark10mission.co.uk/little-liturgies>  
Click on <https://www.themark10mission.co.uk/new-202122-episodes>  
Please visit **THE MARK 10 MISSION** YouTube channel – like, share and subscribe.

**PRAYERS FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE** I know that you will share my concern about the terrible events unfolding in Ukraine. So much suffering, fear and death has been generated in the space of a few weeks. Our natural feelings of helplessness though must be tempered with our faith in the power of prayer. A prayer station has been set up at the icon of Our Lady, to pray for peace in Ukraine. "We place the people of Ukraine under the protection of the Holy Family.

**WELCOMING UKRAINIAN REFUGEE FAMILIES** As an acknowledged Principal Sponsor by the Home Office, Catholic Care have the expertise to support the Welcome of Ukrainian Refugees and are working hard to do so. Please keep up to date through the website [www.catholic-care.org.uk](http://www.catholic-care.org.uk) . If you are interested in welcoming refugees, contact [sue.parsons@catholic-care.org.uk](mailto:sue.parsons@catholic-care.org.uk) to register your interest and for further information.

**CAFOD – Lent Fast Day and Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal**

As we see the tragedy of the invasion of Ukraine continue, you can help: by donation to CAFOD as part of the DEC (Disasters Emergency Committee) Humanitarian Appeal [cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Ukraine-Humanitarian-Appeal](http://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Ukraine-Humanitarian-Appeal) CAFOD is working closely with Caritas Ukraine and Poland, who are already there delivering practical help to those most in need – Thank You for playing your part.

**LEEDS DIOCESE JUSTICE & PEACE COMMISSION** You can contact us by using the email address [jandp@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:jandp@dioceseofleeds.org.uk) Or take a look at our website [www.leedsjp.org.uk](http://www.leedsjp.org.uk) Or write to us directly at Diocese of Leeds J&P Commission, Hinsley Hall, 62 Headingley Lane, Leeds LS6 2BX.

### **SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

**First Holy Communion** in our parish on Corpus Christi at 9-30am

Contact; [Jowoodhead1@gmail.com](mailto:Jowoodhead1@gmail.com) or mobile 07725 854932

**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 contact Jo on [Jowoodhead1@gmail.com](mailto:Jowoodhead1@gmail.com). Also, refreshments after Mass have resumed, if you would like to help in this way speak to one of the consultants.

**TUESDAY PRAYER ZOOM ROTA** if there is anyone else who would like to lead a session, email [jeanmarsh48@btinternet.com](mailto:jeanmarsh48@btinternet.com) Mar 29 Anne and Mike Plunkett

Please swap with someone else if you find you are unavailable on the date suggested.

**ADVANCE NOTICE** Good Shepherd Sunday / Memorial Mass; this will be taking place on May 8, Full details will be outlined nearer the date. Cards will be available for people to write names of those who have died in the last 2 years, we are conscious that funerals

under lockdown restrictions meant that there were very few people able to attend. These cards will be placed in a basket and laid by the altar at an appropriate point in the Mass.

**RE-OPENING OF THE LUNCHEON CLUB** If you would like to know more about joining us, speak to Anne Plunkett or Doris Moorhead, Anne is available on 01274 605066 or 07973388080.

**TRINITY CONFERENCE** a catholic response to the digital age: 9-10 June 2022 at Leeds Trinity University. How does Digital Media impact our young peoples' mental health, safeguarding, privacy, character, discipleship, mission and much more? See website for timetable, speakers, and booking info: <https://www.leadstrinity.ac.uk/events/the-trinity-conference-2022-a-catholic-response-to-the-digital-age.php>.

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES** from Friday 1 July 2022 to Thursday 7 July 2022 with Tangney Tours, prices starting from £705-00. Booking forms and more information is available, please go to [www.tangney-tours.com/leeds](http://www.tangney-tours.com/leeds) or phone 01732 886666

**HALIFAX FOOD BANK** is still providing food to 200 people each week, please help if you can.

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

### **DIOCESAN VACANCY**

**DIOCESE OF LEEDS MUSIC VACANCY:** Choral Director to work in the Schools Singing Programme, including Bradford Catholic Youth Choir. From September 2022. For more information, please request an application pack at [dolmusic.uk/apply](http://dolmusic.uk/apply) or email [recruitment@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk). Closing date: 11 April 2022, 5.00 pm.

### **Catholic Care Vacancies**

Catholic Care have several vacancies including support staff for Eller Beck. For more details and application information, visit [www.catholic-care.org.uk](http://www.catholic-care.org.uk) or call 0113 388 5400.

### **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 your continued support for the parish it is very much appreciated.

**Online DONATE Button value of donations £29 Thank you**