

# The Good Shepherd

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**GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY – 08 MAY 2022**

**Parish Mass Book Vol 1 Year C p268f**

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

<b>Sunday 08 May</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Good Shepherd Sunday)</b>	<b>David Nicot [LD]</b>	<b>GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH</b>
Mon 09 May	Private Mass	Weekday of Easter	-	-
Tues 10 May		St John De Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church	-	
<b>Wed 11 May</b>	<b>12.00 noon</b>	Weekday of Easter	<b>Frances Blake</b>	<b>GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH</b>
Thur 12 May		St Pancras, Martyr OM	-	
Fri 13 May		Our Lady of Fatima	-	
<b>Sat 14 May</b>	<b>10-00am</b>	<b>ST MATTHIAS, APOSTLE FEAST</b>	<b>Claire Robertson [A]</b>	<b>GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH</b>
<b>Sunday 15 May</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	<b>Fr John Gott [LD]</b>	<b>GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH</b>

**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)

**TODAY** Good Shepherd Sunday / Memorial Mass; **Sunday May 8**. 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.

**MONTH OF MAY** is dedicated to Our Lady, the Mother of the Risen Lord.

Let us take the opportunity of this month to pray more fervently to Our Lady for peace in Ukraine, in the world, and most specially in our own hearts and families.

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

This coming Sunday is 'Good Shepherd Sunday' in the Church and in the Gospel Jesus says "The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me." We want these liturgies to help children understand how they can hear the voice of God themselves. We pray that these liturgies **help children encounter Jesus**. In the reflection, there are simple steps given on how to encourage children to enter into silent prayer. The guided prayer time also gives an excellent model of how to lead this.

We hope that these two new liturgies bless you and the children that you serve. We are always so grateful when you spread the word about what we are doing. Please continue to share our liturgies with any school leaders, teachers and parents who you think may appreciate this free content and the chance to help children meet Jesus for themselves. Thank you so much for supporting us and sharing our liturgies. Tens of thousands of children have joined us each week. We want all children to experience the joy of the Gospel and know Jesus's love for them.

We have created 'Little Liturgies' for children in EYFS, KS1 and Children's Liturgy at church.

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.

**CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE AT THE GOOD SHEPHERD** See you next on the **05 June**, 10.30-12pm. We are going to be planning a fundraising, creative, exciting event with the children and young people - Maggie and Emma

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** The family, friends and parish would like to wish Tom O'Connell a very Happy Birthday. Tom was 80 on 07 May.

**A HUGE THANK YOU** to all who supported Jo Woodhead on CAFOD'S Walk against Hunger during Lent, Jo managed to walk just over 600km in the 40 days and thanks to your generosity raised **£450** for this amazing charity.

**EASTER AT HORSEHOLD** A big thank you to all those who helped raise the Cross on Palm Sunday and to Barry who organised it. It now stands out over the Calder valley.

24 people came up for the service at 6-15am on Easter Sunday morning. I think it was the largest number ever to attend. It was a beautiful clear morning and the sun just rose above the opposite hillside as we finished the last hymn 'Thine be the glory risen conquering Son' Thank you to Janet for providing breakfast afterwards. NB The Cross will be taken down on **Sunday 22 May at 3-00pm**

**THE CHRISTIAN HERITAGE CENTRE** is delighted to announce that the Christian Leadership Formation programme is running for a second consecutive year and is currently open to applications from students in Lower Sixth. The application deadline is **Friday 03 June 2022**, although references will still be accepted after that date for applications that have already been submitted. The programme is for students who are actively committed to their faith, who are intellectually gifted and who are committed to shaping a Christian society through their careers. It provided a spiritual and philosophical/theological formation in the Catholic tradition around themes relating to the common good, as well as workshops in skills pertaining to public life. Part- to full sponsorships are available to students who are unable to meet the costs, though we students are asked to attempt to fundraise £140 (10% of the course's costs) as a minimum contribution.

Information and application forms click here: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/clf/>

**THE CATHOLIC NETWORK** your free eNews and website visit [www.catholicnetwork.co.uk](http://www.catholicnetwork.co.uk)

### **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

**PRAYERS FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE** 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 you interest and for further information.

**TUESDAY PRAYER ZOOM ROTA** if there is anyone who would like to lead a session, please email me [jeanmarsh48@btinternet.com](mailto:jeanmarsh48@btinternet.com)

June 7 Maureen and Frank Flynn / July 5 John and Cathy Duffy

August 2 Patricia and Paul Newman / Sept 6 Anne and Mike Plunkett

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

**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.leedstrinity.ac.uk/events/the-trinity-conference-2022-a-catholic-response-to-the-digital-age.php>.

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

**FLOWER ROTA** Next two months: 08 May Cathy & John Duffy, 15 May Anne & Michael Plunkett, 22 May Patricia & Paul Newman, 29 May Dorothy Burns, 05 June Janet Almond, 12 June Maureen & Frank Flynn, 19 June Jean & David Marsh, 26 June Liz Bavidge.

**SYNODAL PROCESS** Following the completion of the first phase of listening in the parishes of our diocese as part of the synodal process and the publication of the synodal report, we are now embarking on the second phase of our own diocesan synodal process. This will be an opportunity for us to begin to discern the pastoral priorities for our parish and our diocese as we move forward from the pandemic. Our parish meeting will take place once I have been contacted by the organisers from the diocese.

In this second phase, people will be asked to consider three questions:

*The parish is the presence of the Church in a given territory, an environment for hearing God's word, for growth in the Christian life, for dialogue, proclamation, charitable outreach, worship and celebration. In all its activities the parish encourages and trains its members to be evangelizers. (Evangelii Gaudium 28)*

1. What, within our current practice as a parish and diocese, helps to fulfil this vision?
2. What would our parish and diocese look like if this vision was being fully lived?
3. What practical steps can we take to move towards that fully lived reality?

If you are unable to attend or if you would rather engage with the process online, you can complete an online questionnaire at <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/parish-to-mission/online-survey/>. The online survey will be available from early next week.

**ORGAN IMPROVISATION MASTERCLASS** David Grealy, Leeds Cathedral's new Assistant Organist, leads a class on improvisation, open to players of all ages and abilities. 6:30–8:00 pm, 18 May 2022, Leeds Cathedral. Free of charge to players and audience. For more information, please contact [office@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk](mailto:office@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk).

**DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE** 1-7 July 2022. Tagney Tours booking forms available in all parishes. You can also book online: [www.tagneytours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/leeds-lourdes](http://www.tagneytours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/leeds-lourdes) or call: 01732 886666. New volunteer carers and registered nurses welcome. Full training given. Please email Anita for more information about volunteering - [anita.bodurka@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:anita.bodurka@dioceseofleeds.org.uk). Please book as soon as possible.

**JONATHAN TULLOCH** "A Life in Nature" – Saturday 11 June from 10am-4pm. Times and Tablet columnist, Jonathan Tulloch, will be inviting you to come close to nature and all her

glory. Offerings £37 per person. To book a place please call the Briery on 01943 607287 or email: [briery@btconnect.com](mailto:briery@btconnect.com)

## **ELECTRICITY CONTRACT**

The current electricity contract remains in place until 30 June 2022. We source all our electricity from UK producers, global demand has a major impact on prices across the board and so we have also been affected.

The new contract is for a twelve-month period which gives some stability in the coming year. The twelve-month contract is, unusually set at one tariff for the first nine months and a slightly lower price for the final three months. This suggests that prices are expected to come down in the longer term so we settled on a one-year contract, in the expectation that prices will mitigate in the longer term. In order to give you some idea of the impact of the new contract, the average parish consumes around **7,500kWh** of electricity each year and the annual cost until 30 June 2022 under the current contract is **around £1,210**.

Under the new contract this will increase to around **£2,800** across the whole year, with the greatest impact being felt in the first nine months. If, as we expect, the price decreases in twelve months' time this is likely to come down to around **£2,000** –

**Green energy and carbon footprint** The electricity which will be supplied is from wholly renewable sources, namely wind, wave and solar. This means that we are living out what Pope Francis called us to in *Laudato Si'*, in minimising our impact on the Earth's resources in how our power is generated, and contributes significantly to lowering the carbon footprint of the Dioceses.

**Supplier** The supplier for the new contract is British Gas. Whilst several suppliers were invited to tender most had closed their books to new customers and in fact some suppliers were even refusing to quote for renewal rates for their existing customers due to major uncertainties in the energy market.

**Gas contract** The current contract remains in place until **30 September 2022** and we are presently in the early stages of the tender process. Prices are a little better than they were even a few weeks ago however we are expecting a significant price rise and will keep you informed as soon as I am able.

## **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