

The Good Shepherd

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Sunday 29th + FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Sunday 29 Jan 2023	9.30 am	FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Joan Heptinstall [LD]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Monday 30 Jan		Weekday in Ordinary Time		
Tuesday 31 Jan		St John Bosco,		
Wednesday 01 Feb	12.00 noon	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Yorkshire Brethren 2023	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Thursday 02 Feb		THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD FEAST		
Friday 03 Feb		St Blaise, Bishop and Martyr		
Saturday 04 Feb	10.00am	St Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church	Catherine Bellis [A]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Sunday 05 Feb	9.30 am	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	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

FORTHCOMING ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD Please pray for Rev Marc Pitson. Marc will be ordained to the Priesthood at Leeds Cathedral on Saturday 28 January. Looking further ahead, Rev Paul Moores, who is currently in his final year of formation at the Pontifical Beda College, will be ordained (DV) to the Priesthood at Leeds Cathedral on Saturday 1 July, 11:00am.

SCHOOL GOVERNORS Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School, Sowerby Bridge HX6 1BL Have you thought about being a school governor? This is a voluntary role which only involves 4-6 meetings a year. Foundation governors play a vital role in promoting our catholic faith and traditions. You don't need to have any special skills just a desire to be involved in the running and organisation of our school. All governors have to have a full DBS check (which the Diocese complete on your behalf). If you are interested, please have a

word with Fr Larkin and he will be able to give you any more information you may need or visit Diocese of Leeds website: www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/education.

LENT HOUSE GROUPS Churches Together have organised a course for the Lent house groups. They will start the week beginning 26 February. They would like to invite you to engage more fully with Lent this year through poetry. Ecumenical groups will be meeting weekly at different locations, days and times across Hebden Royd once a week for the 5 full weeks of Lent before Holy Week. One group will also meet on Zoom.

The course will be rooted in the poems set out, in Janet Morley's book, 'the heart's time'. This is an existing favourite of some and an excellent introduction to reflection and poetry for anyone open to it: those anxious about poetry and those who already love it; those articulate about their faith and spirituality and those full of questions and uncertainty ... and all in between. Groups aim to be hospitable where all opinions and questions are valued; where you can actively contribute or just listen if you prefer. Each week a related Bible passage will be suggested, along with 2 of the poems Janet Morley has selected on the week's theme. If you want to buy your own copy of the book, you could engage even more fully with Lent by reading a poem each day when you were able. It is available on line (including second-hand e.g., from World of Books) or Bookcase on Market Street, Hebden Bridge will order a copy for you, at £10.99. If you can't make it to any of the groups - or don't fancy a group - you might like to use the book this Lent anyway.

Please sign the list at the back of church or let Kay know if you wish to take part.

WALKING GROUP On Sunday 29 Jan at 1.30 we are welcoming a walking group from the St Augustine's centre in Halifax. They are stopping off to use our centre and facilities for their picnic lunch. If anyone is available to pop in and welcome them, I'm sure it would be much appreciated.

AUXILIARY BISHOP FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK Right Reverend Philip Moger will be ordained a bishop at the Metropolitan Cathedral of St George, Southwark will take place on Tuesday 21 February 2023 (Shrove Tuesday), 12:30pm.

"I AM WITH YOU" - HALIFAX DEANERY MISSION 2023

In the week leading up to the Feast of the Ascension (15 - 18 May 2023) the Catholics of the Halifax Deanery will be celebrating a week of Mission, sharing with each other and the wider community the love of Jesus.

To access the latest information and follow developments, please use the following social media "handles":

Facebook: @missionhalifax

Twitter: @halifaxmission

Instagram: @missionhalifax

LUNCHEON CLUB More hands would lessen the burden placed on this dwindling band of volunteers so if you could offer even one Wednesday, 12.30 -2.30pm a month it would be

very much appreciated and lighten the load. "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few." Contact Anne Plunkett if interested.

ZOOM ROTA if you would like to lead a session, email jeanmarsh48@btinternet.com

Please note that we plan to have weekly prayer zooms in Lent in 2023.

This is instead of monthly zooms so please note that there will be no prayer zoom in February.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES JULY 2023 Call for Nurses and Carers

The annual Diocese of Leeds Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place in 2023 from 7-13 July.

This is a call for nurses and carers to be part of the amazing Hospitality Team who help to take care of the assisted and sick pilgrims on the pilgrimage. Helping our sick pilgrims to visit the shrine of Our Lady is a wonderfully fulfilling role. Preparation and training are provided. All enquiries to Anita: anita.bodurka@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or Angela: psr.aharvey@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

TRANSPORT There are some people who struggle to get to Mass on Sundays as they don't drive and public transport is not necessarily an option for them. If you are able to offer lifts (not necessarily weekly and not necessarily each way if there are enough volunteers), please let me know and we could possibly create a rota. Likewise, if you would benefit from a lift please ask. Contact Jo (07725 854932)

RETROUVILLE WEEKEND A weekend residential programme for renewal, rediscovery and healing for marriages. 24 – 26 February, Welwyn Garden City.

More information: <https://www.retrouvaille.org.uk/>.

BISHOP ROBERT BARRON AT THE QE2 CENTRE, LONDON - Sat 11 February.

Catholic Voices and *Word on Fire* are hosting a one-day conference called 'Sharing the Church's Story', 10am-5pm. The Vicariate of Education is looking at the possibility of hiring a coach to take people travelling from Leeds. If you are interested in attending the conference and travelling down on the coach, please contact Fr Henry Longbottom on henry.longbottom@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or 0113 267 8257 before 13 January. For more information about the event visit www.sharingthechurchsstory.com

FLOWER FUNDING ROTA Here is the Rota for the next two months:

29 January Chris Baker, 5 February Cathy & John Duffy, 12 February Vacant
19 February Anne & Michael Plunkett.

DIocese OF LEEDS MUSIC VACANCIES We wish to appoint an Assistant Director of the Schools Singing Programme and a Choral Director. For more information, please request an application pack from recruitment@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk.

Closing Date: 6 February 2023, 5.00 pm.

CATENIANS Any Catholic men interested in expanding their connections with similar thinking Catholics may learn more about the Catenians by taking a look at their website: www.thecatenians.com Or calling the Membership Officer

Dennis Donnelly on 01484 606042.

SCHOOL VACANCIES

- **Headteacher**, St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Otley. Start: September 2023. Closing date: Monday 20 February 2023 12 noon. Further info: <https://www.bishopwheelercatholicacademytrust.org/trust-vacancies>. To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Pauline Younts Ed.D., Academy Council Chair, p.younts@stjosephsotley.org. Further details attached.
- **Deputy Headteacher**, St Mary's Catholic Primary Academy, Halifax. Start: September 2023 or sooner if possible. Closing date: Wednesday 8 February 2023 12 noon. Further info please email Mrs Maseela: admin@st-marys-halifax.calderdale.sch.uk Further details attached.
- **Teacher of Science** (required for Sept 23): Corpus Christi Catholic College, Neville Rd, Leeds LS9 0TT. For further information and to apply please visit our website www.corpusleeds.org or email hr@corpusleeds.org
- **Teacher of Geography** (required for Sept 23): Corpus Christi Catholic College, Neville Rd, Leeds LS9 0TT. For further information and to apply please visit our website www.corpusleeds.org or email hr@corpusleeds.org
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JUSTICE AND PEACE - CALDERDALE LEARNING ACADEMY Liz Firth of the Justice and Peace commission wants to draw the parish's attention to the following local project. Our main programmes are about bringing children and young people together across difference to get to know each other and hopefully dispel any fears or misconceptions they might have. We are now delivering an increasing amount of Intergenerational Linking work where we bring together young people in secondary schools with local older people (anyone who is retired - we're not fussy on age). One school we'll be working with soon is Calderdale Learning Academy in Mytholmroyd so we're trying to find a group of local people who might enjoy coming into school on a few occasions to work with the young people on a social action issue they have identified - something they care about. The first session is booked for **Thursday 16 March** from 2-3pm in school and there'll be a few more sessions which are yet to be agreed. If this sounds like something that you or anyone from the parish might want to know more feel free to let me know.

Contact on liz.firth@thelinkingwork.org.uk

The Linking Network is a charity based in Bradford and working nationally - for more information, visit thelinkingnetwork.org.uk

PARISH GIVING If you wish to set up a standing order account detail:
Good Shepherd Mytholmroyd / Sort Code 40-27-15 / Account No. 21023209

CHANGE OF ADDRESS Please let us know if you have moved house; this is especially important for those who have signed a Gift Aid Declaration. With thanks.

FINANCE

Offertory:

Average monthly standing orders £2,075

Average monthly collection (cash and envelopes) £170

Coffee donations:

September £95.86

November £67.82

December £46.91

January £46.49

Votive Candles:

September £43.64

October £14.94

December £77.72

January £40.46

Account Summary: 6 December 2022 to 5 January 2023

Payments In £2,108.50

Payments Out £2,865.56

Energy Bills

GAS Billing period: 1 December 2022 to 31 December 2022

Total charges exc VAT **£1,049.39**

ELECTRIC Billing period: 1 December 2022 to 31 December 2022

Total charges exc VAT **£362.20**

Prices have increased significantly, so this along with the cold weather will have an impact on the value of the bills. When reading the above please bear in mind that in some instances energy prices have increased by nearly 300%.

Thank you for all your contributions.