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Sunday 13th + NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sunday 13 Aug	9.30 am	NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Missa pro populo	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Monday 14 Aug				
Tuesday 15 Aug	12noon	THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	Missa pro populo	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Wednesday 16 Aug	NO MASS	St Stephen of Hungary OM		
Thursday 17 Aug		Weekday in Ordinary Time		
Friday 18 Aug		Weekday in Ordinary Time		
Saturday 19 Aug	10.00am	Saturday Mass of Our Lady	Nov Dead List 2022/23	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Sunday 20 Aug	9.30 am	TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Kath Smith [A]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH

Sacred Heart & St. Patrick Bolton Brow, Sowerby Bridge HX6 2BA

Holy Mass | Tuesday & Friday 9.30am | Thursday 7.30pm |

Saturday vigil 5.30pm | Sunday 11.00am |

PARISH NEWSLETTER Please submit notices (by Wednesday 8pm) - to Fr Larkin by email at pp.thegoodshepherd@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

TUESDAY 15TH + THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Mass 12noon

Please note **The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary** is a Holy Day of Obligation

I invite you to join me at Mass here on Tuesday 15 August at 12noon and at **7.30pm at Sacred Heart & St. Patrick** for the Holy Day.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO MASS ON WEDNESDAY 16 AUGUST

PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING

30/07/2023 Week 18 - total £92.00

06/08/2023 Week 19 - total £130.35 - Candles £23.70 - Coffee £50.65

BANKED: 08 AUG £125.00

Average monthly standing orders £2,075 (approx. £478 per week)

The Parish bank details are HSBC Bank PLC **Account name:** Good Shepherd Mytholmroyd
| Sort Code 40-27-15 **| Account No.** 21023209

VALLEY COMMUNITY MEALS It's truly astonishing that Monday, August 14, signifies the one-year anniversary since the commencement of our community meals at the parish centre. We can't quite believe that a year has passed since we started off with one visitor on our first night, and we all wondered if the venture had a future.

We are a team of volunteers who form a non-political, not-for-profit cooperative which makes and serves home-cooked meals for the people of Mytholmroyd (and beyond), on Monday evenings at the Good Shepherd Catholic Church. We began under the Calder Food Support umbrella, but have since become independent, although we continue to liaise with them, for example, in the distribution of their food bags at our events.

In the past year, we have served almost **1500 meals** in a safe, friendly, and warm space for our guests. It may be social isolation, financial insecurity or mental wellbeing that brings our guests to us, but we now have a regular clientele who attend most weeks, as well as others who drop in more casually. We provide newspapers and puzzle books to help break the ice among strangers, or for solo diners who don't feel ready to join in yet. Our tagline is "Come for't food, stay for't chat" and so we serve only one sitting of food, encouraging our guests to stay and talk for as long as they like whilst we're open. We survive on donations and grants as we do not charge for the meal in order to make it accessible for all.

QUIZ NIGHT – pencil in a date for your diaries Friday 22 September 2023 6pm. Another quiz night is being arranged for after the holidays with scintillating questions by your one and only quiz master Jo. So, get swotting up on your general knowledge and rebus puzzles! Tea, coffee, juice, and supper will be served. Ticket price £5 per person or £10 per family (2 adults + 2 children or 1 adult + 3 children). Bring your own booze. Virtual tickets can be purchased from Julie & Jo after Mass.

RAFFLE FOR VALLEY COMMUNITY MEALS after Mass on Sunday.

Tickets 5 for £1. Please support this group who meet in our building weekly.

CATHOLIC UNION LAUNCHES CAMPAIGN TO "SCRAP THE CAP"

The Catholic Union was founded in 1870 and the earliest meeting was held at Norfolk House, St. James's Square in London on 10 February 1871, to promote Catholic interests. The society was sanctioned by the Hierarchy of England and the Vicars Apostolic in Scotland and approved by Pope Pius IX. The Catholic Union has launched a major new campaign to lift the 50 percent cap on faith-based admissions to new free schools. People are being asked to sign an [open letter](#) to the Education Secretary, to "scrap the cap". The letter is available for people to sign on the Catholic Union's website and will be delivered to the Department for Education after the summer holidays. The 50 percent cap on faith-based admissions applies to oversubscribed free schools with a religious character in England. Introduced by the Coalition Government in 2010, the cap has made it impossible for new Catholic free schools to open as the policy is incompatible with Church law. The Right Reverend Marcus Stock, Bishop of Leeds and Chairman of the Catholic Education Service, said he was "very pleased to support the new campaign" to lift the cap, which currently

makes it impossible for Catholic Bishops to sanction new Catholic free schools as it would lead to pupils being turned away on the basis of their Catholic faith. The Catholic Union, along with the Catholic Education Service and others, has been calling for the policy to be reversed since it was first introduced. The 2017 Conservative manifesto committed to lifting the cap, but this was never achieved. As well as making Catholic education more widely available, the letter to the Education Secretary says that lifting the cap “would help boost morale” in a sector that has struggled with pay and conditions and the pressure of inspections. Visit <https://catholicunion.org.uk/>

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FLOWER ROTA 13 August Edna Harwood,

20 August Vacant, 27 August Liz Redmond, 03 September Liz McLaughlin, 10 September Mary Harwood, 17 September Vacant, 24 September Doris Moorhead. As there are several vacant spaces on the rota, we are asking for more people to join the rota to donate towards the cost of flowers. If you can help, please contact Doris Moorhead either at church or on 01422 842931. Thank you.

ASK YOUR MP TO STOP ABORTION UP TO BIRTH The abortion lobby is running a campaign to fully ‘decriminalise’ abortion, which would introduce abortion up to birth!

Right To Life UK has launched an easy-to-use tool on its website which makes it simple for you to send an email to your MP asking them to oppose the introduction of abortion up to birth. Please visit www.righttolife.org.uk/noabortionuptobirth to contact your MP now.

HEALTH & SAFETY TRAINING To foster the development of a robust health and safety culture, the Catholic Insurance Service (CIS) has generously provided the Diocese of Leeds with access to ten E-Learning training modules. These modules are designed to assist clergy and volunteers in undertaking essential and, in some instances, obligatory training. For instance, compliance with manual handling training is legally required for personnel involved in lifting, lowering, pulling, or pushing activities.

The allocation of training modules will be based on the individual's specific job role, type of work, and tasks. Each online module has a duration ranging from 20 to 30 minutes. Individuals serving as Caretakers/Handymen, Cleaners, Stewards, Flower arrangers, or those involved in providing refreshments such as tea, coffee and meals will have their email addresses submitted to the diocese, ensuring their participation in the training. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

SAFEGUARDING Julie Talbot has taken on the role of safeguarding for the parish, her contact email: psr.jtalbot@dioceseofleeds.org.uk this diocesan email address is for parish safeguarding only. Julie has a copy of the parish DBS list for audit.

Everyone shares the responsibility for safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of the young and vulnerable within the Catholic Church. By taking a proactive approach and fostering a culture of vigilance and accountability, we aim to provide a safe environment

where individuals can flourish and be protected from harm. Julie Talbot is available to provide advice, support whenever it is needed along with Safeguarding Administrator diocese of Leeds– Joanne Clark | Tel: 0113 261 8046

PARISH WEEKEND 2023 Friday 6 October - Sunday 8 October Halton Gill Bunkbarn, Skipton BD23 5QN - You are welcome to join us for a weekend of community, food, relaxation, contemplation, and fun. Accommodation: up to 35 in 8 bedrooms. Cost: £35 per person (this covers the cost of accommodation. Food/outings are extra) Under 4s free. Deposit of £20 per person on booking. Struggling to pay? Have a word with Maggie or Fr Larkin. You need to bring pillowcase and sleeping bag, sheet, and duvet; towels and swimming gear if you want a sauna; waterproofs and wellies! All are welcome booking forms at the back of church or see Maggie.

LUNCHEON CLUB SUMMER re-opens on the 06 September 2023

FOOTSTEPS. Meet again Sunday September 03, 2023

FOUNTAINS ABBEY MASS There will be a Mass for the Feast of St Bernard at Fountains Abbey on **Monday 21 August at 12 noon**. It will be celebrated by Canon Michael Loughlin, the parish priest of English Martyrs, York. Entry is via the Visitors' Centre. There is ample parking and a shuttle bus to the abbey available. The National Trust has kindly agreed to waive the normal admission charges for those attending Mass.

CATENIANS The monthly meeting on Tuesday 15 August will be preceded by Mass said at 7.00 pm for the Deceased Brothers of Province 3 North which will be held in their usual venue at Meltham Golf Club. Any Catholic men wishing to learn more about the Catenians can call Membership Officer Dennis Donnelly on 01484 606042

On Monday 21 August, many Catenians will be among the congregation at Fountains Abbey for the Annual Mass to celebrate the Feast of St. Bernard commencing at 12.00 noon.