

The Good Shepherd

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Sunday 18th + SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 18 Jan	9.30 am	SECOND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME	Sr Bernadette Moorhead ODC
Monday 19 Jan		St Wulstan, Bishop	
Tuesday 20 Jan		St Sebastian, Martyr	
Wednesday 21 Jan	12noon	St Agnes, Virgin and Martyr	Natalie
Thursday 22 Jan		Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr	
Friday 23 Jan		Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Saturday 24 Jan	10.00am	St Francis de Sales	GS Nov Dead List 2025/26
Sunday 25 Jan	09.30am	THIRD SUNDAY	For Gez Hodgson, Family & Friends [A]

Sunday Mass Times - Sacred Heart & St. Patrick Sowerby Bridge | Saturday 5-30pm | Sunday 11am
St Mary's Halifax – 9.30am & 11am | St Alban's 6pm

A WARM WELCOME to our parish. Whether you are a regular member of our community or a visitor joining us for the first time, we are delighted to have you here. Join us for Tea or Coffee after Sunday Mass

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

PARISH OFFERING - Standing orders Total (-) **£2047.54**

11/01/2026 Week 41 Total £213.98 | WK40 CO £2.18 |

BANKED – 12 JAN 2026 - £215.00 | WK41CO £1.16 Thank you for your support.

PARISH GIVING If you wish to set up a standing order account detail:

Good Shepherd - Sort Code 40-27-15 - Account No. 21023209

Collection - Poor Missions Fund **£145.00** many thanks

LENT HOUSE GROUPS Once it is time to start planning the ecumenical Lent house groups. We are going to use a course devised by the Methodist Church 'A Spiritual Reboot over Lent'. There will be four groups and there is a list at the back of church to sign if you would like to attend.

MANY THANKS to everyone who came and supported the event held at The Good Shepherd in Mytholmroyd which was in aid of the **Bethlehem Care and Hospice Trust**. All the **£114** raised will be spent on the palliative care of patients in Bethlehem. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you so much, Caroline Walsh of St Mary's Halifax

RELICS OF ST GERARD MAJELLA On Monday 26 January, Holy Redeemer Parish, Huddersfield will have the privilege of hosting the relics of St Gerard Majella. Come along to pray in front of his relics, participate in Mass at St Patrick's at 7:00pm and receive a blessing with his relics.

CATHOLIC FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS A small gesture of preparation can make a world of difference, particularly to those who mourn our passing. Consider discussing preferences for your Requiem Mass or funeral Service, your chosen Hymns, and Scripture Readings. These details will not only reflect your faith but will also provide direction to those you leave behind. Once decisions have been made, I recommend penning down these arrangements and placing them alongside your important documents in a safe location. In doing so, you provide guidance when it's needed most, ensuring that, even in absence, your love and thoughtfulness continue to guide and comfort.

LGBT Ministry The Salford diocese provides a Mass for the LGBT community at St Augustine's church, Grosvenor Square, in Manchester at 15.00 on the last Saturday of every odd numbered month. The principal celebrant at the next Mass (January 31) will be the **Rt Rev John Arnold, Bishop of Salford**. The Middlesbrough diocesan team hold a Mass on the second Sunday of every month at 15.00 at the Bar Convent in York. Next Mass February 08. All are welcome.

CATENIANS Mass for Vocations: Prior to their monthly meeting on Tuesday 20 January which this month only will be at the 315 Restaurant 315 Wakefield Road Lepton HD8 0LX, Father Michael Hall, the Huddersfield Circle Chaplain, will celebrate Mass with the Catenians at 7.00 pm. All welcome. After the meeting at around 8.15 will be a two-course meal costing £24 per person. Further details about the Association can be found at <https://thecatenians.uk> or you may wish to speak to our Membership Officer Dennis Donnelly on 01484 606042.

FIRST RECONCILIATION Dates for Reconciliation classes: Tuesdays, 03 and 24 Feb | 10 and 17 March. All at 6.30pm until 7.30pm at Good Shepherd. The celebration of the Sacrament is on Saturday 28 March at St Bernard's church in Boothtown. Any questions speak to Jo at Mass or 07725 854932.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL Our preparation is well underway. Sacrament of Reconciliation (Children in Yr 3 or above) & First Holy Communion (Children in Yr 4 or above) Children in these year groups or above receive these sacraments in the spring/summer of 2026. Preparation takes place in school. If your child does not attend Sacred Heart or another Catholic primary school, please contact school and we can support you with preparations. Please speak to Mrs Mitchell in the office or email admin@sacredheart.calderdale.sch.uk and we will get back to you.

LOURDES- Booking for 2026 Lourdes Pilgrimage is now open at <https://www.tangney-tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-leeds/> If you feel that you could volunteer as a doctor, nurse or

carer please get in touch with Julie at chief.nurse@dioceseofleeds.org.uk for further information. You will need to register as a volunteer prior to booking a place.

UNIVERSALIS Web: universalis.com

LISTEN TO LATIN HYMNS If you are subscribing to [the spoken Liturgy of the Hours](#),
THE WEEKLY PODCASTS Here are the episodes which have come out since the last newsletter. You can listen by clicking on the above link. Each is around 20 minutes long.

VACANCIES

SENIOR GRANTS AND FUNDRAISING OFFICER VACANCY: The Finance Department of the Diocese of Leeds, is recruiting a Senior Grants and Fundraising Officer. Based at Hinsley Hall, Leeds. More details at www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/vacancies/. Deadline for applications is Friday, 30 January 2026 and first interviews to be held on Wednesday, 4 February 2026.

CATHOLIC CARE IS RECRUITING: Adult LD Waking Night Support Workers – Sutton in Craven –Part time. Salary £24,892 - £26,096 pro rata. Please email CV to recruitment@catholic-care.org.uk