

The Good Shepherd

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Sunday 1st February + FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 01 Feb	9.30 am	FOURTH SUNDAY	Elio and Maria Manfredi [A]
Monday 02 Feb		THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD	
Tuesday 03 Feb		St Blaise, Bishop and Martyr	
Wednesday 04 Feb	12noon	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Nov Dead List 2025/26
Thursday 05 Feb		St Agatha, Virgin and Martyr	
Friday 06 Feb		Ss Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs	
Saturday 07 Feb	10.00am	Saturday Mass of Our Lady	Josie Kitcher
Sunday 08 Feb	09.30am	FIFTH SUNDAY	David Lingard [LD]

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 - Total SO (59) (DEC 2025 – JAN 2026) **£2078.50**

25/01/2026 Week 43 Total £92.30 | WK42 CO £3.40 |

BANKED – 26 JAN 2026 - £95.00 | WK43CO £0.70 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

NEXT SUNDAY: Collection for the Diocesan Lourdes Fund

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.

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.

FOOTSTEPS this Sunday after Mass. All children welcome. See you there.

FLOWER FUND ROTA 2026

1 February – Cathy and John Duffy

8 February – Anne Plunkett

15 February – Patricia and Paul Newman

22 February – vacant

Flower collection for Easter 5th Sunday of Lent - Sunday 22 March 2026.

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.

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.

VIVALDI'S GLORIA WITH GABRIELI ROAR Hear Vivaldi's ever-popular Gloria in a vibrant performance by Gabrieli Roar, bringing together Gabrieli's professional singers and orchestra with young singers from choirs across the Diocese of Leeds Schools Singing Programme. The programme opens with Baroque favourites by Monteverdi and Purcell, showcasing music written nearly 350 years ago and still thrilling young singers today.

Sat 7 Feb, 7.45 pm Leeds Cathedral. Book here:

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/gabrieli/baroque-masters-with-gabrieli-roar/e-xpbxzv>

ANNUAL LOURDES DINNER DANCE Friday 13 February 2026 at the Met hotel in Leeds. Tickets are available from Phil Marshall at £45 or £400 for a table of 10. The ticket price includes reception drink, a 3 course Meal, Tea & coffee, DJ and entertainment throughout the evening. To secure your tickets for this popular event, contact Phil on 07766 148375 or email philmarshall49@outlook.com. All profits at the event go to the Diocesan Lourdes fund.

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.

FOUNDATION GOVERNOR We currently have a vacancy for a Foundation Governor at All Saints Catholic College in Huddersfield which students from our deanery attend. Foundation Governors play a vital role in supporting the Catholic ethos, ensuring strong governance, and helping shape the future of our schools. The role involves attending meetings, offering strategic guidance, and safeguarding the faith character of our education. Training is provided. If you feel called to serve in this important role and would welcome a conversation, contact the Diocesan Vicariate for Education: education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk