

The Good Shepherd

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Sunday 5th + FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Parish Mass Book Vol 1 Year C p133f

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

Sunday 05 Feb	9.30 am	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Fr John Gott [LD]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Monday 06 Feb		Ss Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs		
Tuesday 07 Feb		Weekday in Ordinary Time		
Wednesday 08 Feb	12.00 noon	St Jerome Emiliani	Catherine Bellis [A]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Thursday 09 Feb		Weekday in Ordinary Time		
Friday 10 Feb		St Scholastica, Virgin		
Saturday 11 Feb	10.00am	Our Lady of Lourdes	For Teddy	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Sunday 12 Feb	9.30 am	SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Agnes Williams [LD]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH

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

CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL at St Malachy's on **Tuesday 7 February at 7pm**. At the rehearsal seats will be allocated to the parish groups and we will go through the Confirmation Service so the candidates feel secure in what they are doing on the night. If possible, sponsors should also attend (but not all will be local) and parents are welcome.

FEEDBACK What a great week in our centre on Sunday afternoon a walking group of asylum seekers/refugees from the St Augustine's centre in Halifax used the lounge area to have their 'picnic' lunch, the room was full and they all were very grateful for our hospitality. On Monday the Calder Food Support meal was the busiest yet, we served 37 meals to people who feel the need to use this facility. This includes a cross section of homeless people, those who are lonely, people suffering differing levels of poverty and those who simply enjoy good food and an opportunity for a chat. One lady said you really are good shepherds the way you look after us all and make us feel so welcome!

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.

FOOTSTEPS this Sunday after Mass. all children and young people are welcome.

LENT HOUSE GROUPS Churches Together have organised a course for the Lent house groups. They will start the week beginning 26 February. Please sign the list at the back of church or let Kay know if you wish to attend.

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. Contact Anne Plunkett if interested.

RETROUVAILLE 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/>.

CONGRATULATIONS to all those clergy celebrating Presbyteral and Diaconal Jubilees this year: **Diamond** Very Rev Canon Joseph Smith

Golden Rev Mgr Bernard Bickers /

Rev Fr Peter Clarke / Rev Mgr Kieran Heskin / Rev Fr Paul Reid

Ruby Rev Fr Kevin Driver / Rev Fr Christopher Willis

Silver Rev Fr Neil Byrne / Rev Fr Michael Hall / Very Rev Canon Christopher Irving

Rev Fr Gregory Knowles / Rev Fr Eamon McGeough / Rev Fr Francis Smith

VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND DIACONATE

Please pray for the following men currently in formation for the Priesthood in the Diocese of Leeds:

Rev Paul Moores Pontifical Bede College, Rome

Philip Thornley Pontifical Bede College, Rome

Alex Noad St Mary's College, Oscott

Stephen O'Hara St Mary's College, Oscott

Please pray for the following men currently in formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Leeds:

Danny Murphy, Jack Clark, Dominic Williams, Paul Coates, Martin Fenlon, and Nicholas Stoddart

LENT PRAYER MEETINGS (two on zoom, three in person, see below) if there is anyone else who would like to lead a session, email jeanmarsh48@btinternet.com

Tuesday Prayer meetings for Lent 2023

February 28 Jean and David Marsh

On Zoom

March 7 Anne and Mike Plunkett

On Zoom

March 14 John and Cathy Duffy

In person at GS

March 21 Nick Burchnall

In person at GS

March 28 Maureen and Frank Flynn

In person at GS

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

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES JULY 2023 The details for the Pilgrimage will become available later in the year. It will take place from 7-13 July 2023. The organisers are looking for volunteer nurses and carers. If you are interested, please contact

Anita: anita.bodurka@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or Angela: psr.aharvey@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

FLOWER FUNDING ROTA 5 February Cathy & John Duffy, 12 February Vacant
19 February Anne & Michael Plunkett.

CATENIANS The February meeting on Tuesday 21st will be the annual Clergy Night when the Circle have invited clergy from parishes around the area to dine with them at their usual venue Meltham Golf Club. Contact the Membership Officer Dennis 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

THE LETTER is a film in which Pope Francis urges us to take action on the climate emergency which threatens all our lives and the future of the Earth. The group - parishioners and members from other churches - who shared a viewing of the film is holding a second meeting on **Thursday 9 February at 7pm** in the Good Shepherd, and we invite others to join us, as we consider our Christian response to global warming. The film, which lasts 90 minutes, can be seen free on YouTube (Google *The Letter*) or can be found at <https://www.theletterfilm.org>

LAUDATO SI - What can we do? The Justice and Peace Commission hosted a conversation on Zoom, between John Battle, Chair of J&P, and Bishop John Arnold of Salford on the implications for us as Church. This was an inspiring and illuminating discussion, and it is now available as a podcast (sound only) for the next three months. Just follow this link to the short news item on the Justice & Peace website.
<https://www.leedsjp.org.uk/2023/01/29/29-jan-laudato-si-what-more-can-we-do/>

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

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Thank you for all your contributions.