

# The Good Shepherd

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## Sunday 10th + TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sunday 10 Sep	9.30 am	TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY	Fr John Gott [A]	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Monday 11 Sep		Weekday		
Tuesday 12 Sep		The Most Holy Name of Mary		
Wednesday 13 Sep	12noon	St John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	Yorkshire Brethren 2023	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Thursday 14 Sep		THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS		
Friday 15 Sep		Our Lady of Sorrows		
Saturday 16 Sep	10.00am	Ss Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs	Nov Dead List 2022/23	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
Sunday 17 Sep	9.30 am	TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY	Missa pro populo	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](mailto:pp.thegoodshepherd@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

### PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING

27/08/2023 Week 22 - total £50.00

03/09/2023 Week 23 - total £113.00 | Candles £22.15 | Tea/Coffee £22.00

**BANKED - SEP 04:** £160

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

**TODAY:** Collection for the Catholic Education Service

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE** It is with great sadness to inform you of the following who died recently. **PATRICA MULCHAY RIP** Service will be held on Monday 18 September at 12.00noon.

**THANK YOU** I am deeply touched by the surprise collection on the occasion of my 60th birthday. It's moments like these that make me truly grateful to be a part of such a community of faith. Your thoughtful gesture means more to me than words can express. May God bless each one of you for your kindness. With heartfelt gratitude, Fr Larkin.

**SAFEGUARDING TRAINING Tuesday 12 September** – Fr Larkin will be attending Safeguarding Training, Hinsley Hall, Leeds, from 09.30-12.30. The safeguarding Team will be presenting Training for Clergy, Curia Staff,

The aims of the session include:

1. To increase your knowledge of safeguarding.
2. Understand your responsibilities and relevance to your role.
3. Feel confident in recognising, responding, and reporting safeguarding concerns.
4. Know where to seek advice and support.

Fr Larkin's subscription to the DBS Update Service is due for renewal on 20 September 2023. The subscription will be automatically update within 14 days of the renewal date. Subscribing to this service reduces the need to apply for multiple Certificates when you move from one area to another in the same workforce or when a recheck is required.

**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. See poster.

**AN EVENING OF LIGHT MUSIC** Sunday 24 September 'An Evening of Light Music' here at Good Shepherd 7.30pm, please come along and support this it should be a good night. For more information see David Marsh.

**ROSARY FOR MISSION** in the Halifax Deanery. Fr Hall is planning the next Rosary, to be said on Beacon Hill, for 7pm on Thursday 21 September. Fr Hall Mobile: 07525 419806

**ANNUAL MASS COUNT** A reminder that the annual count of Mass attendance should be made over the last two weekends of September (16/17 and 23/24) and the first two weekends of October (30 September/1 October and 7/8 October). This allows for parishes to avoid the weekends of the school half-term holiday. Thank you for your cooperation in arranging the Mass count.

**ANNUAL LEEDS DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM** The Annual Leeds Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place this year on Saturday 30 September 2023. The Bishop will be in Rome for the Synod of Bishops, the Pilgrimage will be led by

Rev Mgr Andrew Summersgill VG. The Pilgrimage will begin with the Angelus and the celebration of Holy Mass at 12:00 Noon at the Shrine near the Slipper Chapel. The Mass will be followed by a break for Lunch. At 2:30pm there will be a Solemn Procession into the Walsingham village, concluding with Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the grounds of the Ancient Shrine around 3:30pm.

**BATLEY TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION** I am delighted to inform you that Fr Eamonn Hegarty and the Parish of St Mary's, Batley will once again be hosting the annual Batley Torchlight Procession. The Procession will take place on Monday 02 October 2023, commencing at 7:30pm. The Procession will again follow the new simplified route starting at St Mary's Catholic Primary School and ending at the nearby St Mary of the Angels' Catholic Church. The Torchlight Procession is a fine expression of our Catholic faith and gives honour to Mary, Mother of God. It is particularly valued by those who are unable to go on Pilgrimage to Our Lady's shrine in Lourdes.

**INSTALLATION OF NEW CANONS OF THE CATHEDRAL CHAPTER** The Very Reverend Canons **Martin Kelly** (formerly of Halifax Deanery), Gerard Kearney, and Christopher Willis will be installed as Canons of the Cathedral Chapter during the celebration of Holy Mass at Leeds Cathedral on Tuesday 31 October 2023, 12:30pm. If anyone wishes to attend, please turn up in good time.

**SHIRLEY** thanks everyone very much for the good wishes and prayers conveyed in the Get-Well card and is doing all she can to make a full recovery.

**FLOWER ROTA** 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.

**CATHOLIC CARE 160TH ANNIVERSARY** This year marks the 160th Anniversary of Catholic Care (Diocese of Leeds), the official diocesan charity and Caritas agency supporting people in need, whatever their faith or background. We have come a long way from the orphanage established in 1863. Today our staff and volunteers care for thousands of people every year, responding to contemporary needs and inspired by Catholic Social Teaching. Across the Diocese we offer services for babies and parents, children and young adults, people with learning disabilities, refugees, persons living with mental illness, older people, and the socially marginalised. In this special anniversary year, we want to thank God – and the Catholic community – for the many blessings received through Catholic Care in the past and present. As well as remembering our origins, we want to look to the future by ensuring our development for future generations. Visit <https://catholic-care.org.uk/>

**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](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/noabortionuptobirth) to contact your MP now.

**NOTES ABOUT THE FRUIT TREES IN ORCHARD** The trees were planted in November 2015 when they were one year old. There are two plums and four apples. As you stand with your back to the car park, the first tree on the left is an "Oulins Golden Gage". Last year it produced its first crop of three plums which were perfectly ripe on August 15. I shared them with Jo, and we agreed they were delicious. This year there were a good dozen fruits which were all taken by an unknown person early in August. As always, I have great hopes for next year.

The first tree on your right is a "German Prune", which produces a small purple plum that ripens later than Golden Gage. Last year there were a few plums that all dropped off before they were ripe, possibly because they were too dry. This year there are more than a dozen which on 20.8 were not yet ripe but getting there. Please, everyone, check them whenever you can and pick any that are ripe. Then let us know what they are like so we can build up a picture of what to expect in the future.

Both the plums were badly affected by an aphid that likes plum trees but not apples, so they looked rough earlier on. They have now given themselves a second growth of leaves and the fruit is unaffected so I think we can safely ignore the aphids.

I don't have much confidence in the labelling of the apple trees because of the chaotic way they were handled by the Incredible Edible farm, but I'll describe them as they were labelled. On the left, behind the Golden Gage, in the middle of the row is a Worcester Permain. This is described as "early season dessert fruit with a sweet strawberry flavour". At present it's still quite a small tree with a heavy crop.

Apple trees usually thin themselves spontaneously around July, which is why you'll see small fruits on the ground. Sometimes the thinning needs to be done manually as well. In a cluster of four or five fruits there won't be enough space for all to develop properly so the smaller and misshapen need to be removed. Also, in a young tree, branches sometimes break if they are carrying too much weight.

Behind the Worcester Permain is a Bloody Ploughman, the last in the row. This is supposed to have bright red flowers, purple skin, and pink flesh. The fruit has a distinct ribbing. Picked in September or October it is "juicy, light and sweet". What's there at present bears no relation to this description. I have thinned both Bloody Ploughman and Worcester Permain and found them to be grim eating. However, sliced and fried with onions they make a very nice accompaniment to bacon.

On the right-hand side, behind the German Prune, there is a Winston, an English cultivar first called "Winter King" and renamed towards the end of the war. It was bred in Berkshire in the 30's by crossing Cox and Worcester Permain. Its sugar content develops with storage and can be kept until March or possibly April if storage is cool. The fruit is small, streaky red flushed on the sunny side and green/yellow on the shady side. It has a heavy crop at present. I haven't yet tasted it.

The last tree on the right is a Bramley, the only one in whose label I have confidence. Last year it cropped well and almost all the fruit was removed by another (or possibly the same)

unknown person. This year it has a very poor crop, and I don't know why. Resentful of having been robbed?

Also, on the same side there are two blackcurrant bushes which produced a modest crop of very sweet fruit last year and nothing this year, probably because of the very hot dry spell. They are both looking healthy now.

When fruit trees are mature and growing well. they produce generous crops so I have no doubt that eventually there will be enough fruit in our orchard for everyone. If you pick any, please let me know all about it so I can keep up the records. Best to all, Peggy

**SAFEGUARDING** Julie Talbot has taken on the role of safeguarding for the parish, her contact email: [psr.jtalbot@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto: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

**MOUNT ST JOSEPH'S IRISH NIGHT** Saturday 23 September, 7:30pm, Little Sisters of the Poor, Headingley. Ceilidh, Irish Stew, Bar, Raffle. Tickets £15 from reception (0113 2784101).

**PRO-LIFE PILGRIMAGE, OSMOTHERLEY** Saturday 07 October. Bus from St. Walburga's, Shipley 8.45am, St. Augustine's, Harehills 9.30am and St. Theresa's, Crossgates 9.45am, or meet outside the Village Store, 11am. Prayers in Reparation for the Sanctity of Human Life will be prayed on the way to the Shrine. Transport available if unable to walk. Please bring a picnic lunch. Holy Hour 2pm, Vigil Mass 3pm. For further details/booking, contact Kate on 07505 767415.

**CATENIANS: FRIENDSHIP IN FAITH** Friendship in Faith in the strap line for the Catenians. It is an ideal opportunity for Catholic men to mix and socialise along with their wives and families and others with similar beliefs. The Huddersfield Circle meet socially at least once a month with a variety of functions throughout the year. Want to know more? Visit [www.thecatenians.com](http://www.thecatenians.com) or call Membership Officer Dennis Donnelly on 01484 606042