The Good Shepherd

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Sunday 14th + SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Parish Mass Book Vol 1 p127f

Sunday 14 Jan	9.30 am	SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Yarwood family	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH	
Monday 15 Jan		Weekday			
Tuesday 16 Jan	1.30pm	Funeral Service	Robert Michael Grady	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH	
Wednesday 17 Jan	12noon	St Anthony, Abbot	November Dead List 2023/24	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH	
Thursday 18 Jan		Weekday			
Friday 19 Jan		St Wulstan, Bishop			
Saturday 20 Jan	10.00am	Saturday Mass of Our Lady	November Dead List 2023/24	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH	
Sunday 21 Jan	9.30 am	THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Kitty Lamb	GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH	

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

PARISH WEEKLY OFFERING

The collection for Christmas flowers raised £302.80.

31/12/2023 Week 40 - total £104.70 | Candles £5.25 | Coffee £22.00 |

07/01/2024 Week 41 - total £183.30 | Candles £4.30 |

Leeds Diocese Poor Missions Fund £113.00

BANKED – JAN 08 – £185 Thank you for your continued support.

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

MAY HE REST IN PEACE It is with great sadness to inform you that:

Robert Michael Grady died on the 19 December, Funeral on **Tuesday 16 January 2024** at Good Shepherd, Service 1.30pm followed by cremation at Park Wood.

FLOWER FUNDING ROTA for the weeks up to the beginning of Lent.

14 January. Irene Ogden. 21 January. Veronica Gregory. 28 January. Vacant.

04 February. Chris Baker. Contact Doris to join.

CHANGE TO ST PAUL'S BOOKSHOP OPENING HOURS Due to staffing changes, from January 2024 St Paul's Bookshop at Hinsley Hall Leeds, will not regularly be open on Saturdays.

UNIVERSE CATHOLIC WEEKLY NEWSPAPER

Below is the link to the latest edition of the Universe Catholic Weekly Newspaper:-

https://universecatholicweekly.co.uk/universe-weekly-newsletters/january-2024/UNIVERSE-05-JAN-2024.pdf

Contact: Michelle Jones - Circulation Sales Manager Email: Michelle.jones@universecatholicweekly.co.uk

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NEWS FROM THE ORCHARD The trees have all been weeded and mulched with our own home-made compost. The apple trees have been pruned. The plums will be pruned this summer. The compost bin on the left is now empty and ready to be filled again, while the one on the right will continue to decompose. Its carpet covering is quite decomposed itself so if anyone has a bit of carpet to get rid of, it would be appreciated. A square 2 x 2 metres would be ideal. Must have a hessian backing. Foam won't do.

I can be reached on 01422 646 744. Peggy Thomas

2024 CALENDAR, if anyone is interested in buying a beautiful calendar of local photographer Roger Doherty's bird pictures, they cost £10 and all money taken will go to support Calder Food Support, our local foodbank. These make excellent Christmas presents. Please see Jo Woodhead

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/CARERS

Is your child in any of these age groups, do you think they're ready to take the next step on their faith journey? Reconciliation. Children in Y3 First Holy Communion, Children in Y4 Confirmation, Children in Y6 If yes then speak to Jo Woodhead after Mass or ring 07725 854932 for more information.

CATENIANS Any Catholic men wishing to learn more about the Catenians can call Membership Officer Dennis Donnelly on 01484 606042.

STOP the 14-day limit on experimenting on embryos being removed. The Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority (HFEA) is pushing to remove the 14-day limit for experimenting on embryos, despite 97% of submissions from the general public to their consultation objecting to these plans.

Right To Life UK has launched an easy-to-use tool on its website that makes it easy for you to email your MP asking them to oppose a change to legislation that, if passed, would pave the way for the removal of the 14-day limit. Please visit www.righttolife.org.uk/14days to contact your MP now. It only takes 30 seconds

COME AND SEE MONTHLY PRAYER GROUP Mission Halifax invite you to a new monthly prayer group. Prayerful reflection, Adoration, praise & worship, and testimony, 7pm, Friday 12 January 2024. St Patrick's Church, Elland HX5 0PU. All welcome.

CATHOLIC FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS In the ebb and flow of life, there are some topics we instinctively shy away from, and one of those is the inevitable journey towards our own end. Though the thought of our mortality may be daunting, a small gesture of preparation can make a world of difference, particularly to those who mourn our passing.

By engaging in a heart-to-heart conversation with our loved ones about our final wishes, we can offer them comfort and clarity in a time of grief. Consider discussing preferences for your Requiem Mass or funeral Service, your chosen Hymns, and Scripture Readings. These

intimate details will not only reflect your personal faith journey but will also provide solace and direction to those you leave behind.

For those contemplating a spiritual continuation of remembrance, the offering of a monthly Mass for a year is a beautiful tradition. With a donation, 12 Masses can be dedicated in your name, ensuring prayers for your soul and a continued bond with your community. Once decisions have been made, we recommend penning down these arrangements and placing them alongside your important documents in a safe location. In doing so, you provide a beacon of guidance when it's needed most, ensuring that, even in absence, your love and thoughtfulness continues to guide and comfort.

May you find peace in preparation, and in the knowledge that such gestures, though born of serious contemplation, can be among the most profound acts of love.

VACANCY Secondment Opportunity for Deputy Headteacher, St John the Evangelist Catholic Primary School, Bradford. Required March 2024 – July 2024. Closing date: Friday 12 January 2024. To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Ben Lavin, ben.lavin@bcwcat.co.uk. Further details attached.

IN ENGLAND AND WALES a new translation of the readings at Mass will come into use from **Advent 2024**. This is based on the Catholic Edition of the English Standard Version Bible.

AID TO CHURCH IN NEED PILGRIMAGE Travel the pilgrim paths of the early church in Durham, Lindisfarne, Escomb, Ruthwell and Jarrow with Saints Cuthbert and Bede. Including reflections on the persecuted Church of today and history of the early church led by our pilgrim historian Suze Mathews who specialises in Anglo Saxon history and by Fr Jeremy Howard. Opportunities for communal prayer of the Divine Office, daily Mass and devotions. 22 – 27 July 2024. More information and booking email Teresa.kehoe@acnuk.org.

HOW TO READ THE GOSPELS This short course prepared by the Vicariate for Education is an introduction to the gospel texts, their origins, and their shared and distinctive qualities. For use by individuals, it can be found at:

https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/education/our-faith/learning-about-ourfaith/resources-2/how-to-read-the-gospels/

The full range of Resources can be found at:

https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/education/our-faith/learning-about-our-faith/resources-2/

LEEDS DIOCESAN JUSTICE & PEACE COMMISSION are you passionate about social justice? Faith and action for social justice go hand in hand. Is it time for you to do more? Come and join the Leeds Justice & Peace Commission to put your faith into action. See website for more details www.leedsjp.org.uk

YORKSHIRE LAY DOMINICANS lay Dominicans are lay people, married and single, who commit themselves to lives based around prayer, study, community and preaching. For more details see http://laydominicans.org.uk/about-us/

if you are interested in being part of a lay Dominican group in Yorkshire, please contact Simon Hewitt at s.hewitt@leeds.ac.uk