

# The Good Shepherd

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## Sunday 5th + SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Parish Mass Book Vol 1 p266f

<b>Sunday 05 May</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	<b>Missa pro populo</b>	<b>GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH</b>
Monday 06 May		Weekday of Easter		
Tuesday 07 May		St John of Beverley, Bishop		
<b>Wednesday 08 MAY</b>	<b>12noon</b>	<b>Weekday of Easter</b>	<b>November Dead List 2023/24</b>	<b>GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH</b>
<b>ASCENSION Thursday 09 May</b>	<b>12noon</b>	<b>THE ASCENSION Holyday of Obligation</b>	<b>Hugh O'Mally [LD]</b>	<b>GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH</b>
Friday 10 May		St John De Avila, Priest, and Doctor of the Church		
<b>Saturday 11 May</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Weekday of Easter</b>	<b>November Dead List 2023/24</b>	<b>GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH</b>
<b>Sunday 12 May</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER World Communications</b>	<b>Claire Hannah Robertson [A]</b>	<b>GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH</b>

**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

21/04/2024 Week 3 - Total £259.19 | Candles £8.17 | Coffee £10.50 |

Collection Priests' Training Fund £130.00 – thank you.

28/04/2024 Week 4 - Total £257.80 | Candles £31.20 | Coffee £20.00 |

Quiz Night £161.60 – thank you.

**BANKED – APR 29 – £255.00.** Thank you for your continued support.

Average monthly standing orders £2,065.

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

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

Thank you for your support it is very much appreciated.

**NEXT SUNDAY** Collection for Catholic Communications

**FOOTSTEPS** this Sunday 10.30-12pm - All children and young people welcome

**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD** I invite you to join me for the Holyday of Obligation – **Thursday 09 May Mass at 12noon**. Also, earlier in the day 09.30 Mass for the Holyday at Sowerby Bridge. The solemnity of the Ascension retains for the first reading the account of the Ascension according to Acts. The text is complemented by the second reading from the apostolic reflections on Christ in exaltation at the right hand of the Father. For the gospel reading, each of the three Years has its own text in accord with the differences in the Synoptic Gospels (GIL 102)

**FR JAMES LEAVY - REQUIESCAT IN PACE** It is with great sadness that I write to let you know that Fr Leavy died during the early hours of Sunday 28 April. May his soul rest in peace in the embrace of the Lord and Saviour he served so faithfully throughout his life. Pray for the repose of Fr Leavy's soul and remember his family and his many friends in your prayers at this time.

**QUIZ NIGHT** – A huge thank you to all who attended the quiz night and made it such a successful evening of entertainment. The quiz night is more than raising funds, it is a social event for everyone to come together for a night of fun and laughter and of course getting the brain cells working! Special thanks are extended to Julie and Jo for their diligent efforts in organizing the event, as well as to Steve who worked his socks off in the kitchen delivering the supper and washing up. Funds raised £161.60 to go towards the building of the new planters near the memorial stones, enhancing the roadside welcome to our church.

**PLANTERS** To safeguard the memorial stones from harm, Steve Woodhead is constructing three planters. The idea is to cultivate herb gardens within them. Hence, if anyone has extra plants, seedlings, or cuttings to contribute, they would be greatly welcomed. These contributions can be brought to the church and will be cared for until they're ready for planting.

**NEWLY APPOINTED BISHOPS** The Holy Father has appointed Canon Bosco MacDonald as the tenth Bishop of Clifton and Mgr. James Curry, a priest of the Diocese of Westminster, as Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster. Mgr. Timothy Menezes and Canon Richard Walker, both priests of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, have also been appointed Auxiliary Bishops of the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Finally, Fr David Waller has been appointed as Ordinary to the Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham. Please pray for the Bishop-Elects as they prepare to begin their episcopal ordination and service.

**SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY** Our parish aims to ensure safety for all through a diocesan-approved recruitment process -Safer Recruitment of all Volunteers. Current volunteers that do not require a DBS check will need to undergo level 1 safeguarding training. I will be approaching this task group by group, maybe starting with the musicians then moving on to others like the flower group for instance. This notice serves as an advance warning; more details will follow once I have collated a list of all current volunteers. Thank you, Julie.

**ST. AUGUSTINE'S TALK** Les & a centre member are to attend the ladies group at Sacred Heart & St. Patrick's Sowerby Bridge Church hall on Wednesday 08 May 7pm to give a talk. All are welcome to come and listen to a centre members story, insights, fact and figures about the asylum process, what the St. Augustine's centre does and why, poetry, a quiz and then a Q&A session. A donation pot will be available.

**MISSION HALIFAX COME & SEE** Mission Halifax invite you to 'Come & See' – a monthly prayer group. Adoration, praise & worship, prayer, and opportunity for social time following. This month's theme is 'With Mary in the Upper Room' with a talk from Fr Hilton. All welcome. Friday 10 May, 7pm, St Patricks Church, Elland, HX5 0PU

**GROWING OLD GRACE-FULLY ONLINE SESSIONS** Leeds Diocesan older people's charity is hosting six online meetings this year. The first is Spirituality in Later Life: Praying Beyond Words, Tuesday 14 May, 7:00pm with Fr Donal Lucy and Paula Shanks. To attend email [growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

**THINKING FAITH** Exploring our Catholic Beliefs Time out for working Catholics, to enjoy a holiday together, pray and reflect on an aspect of their faith. This year's theme goes back to the basics. Boarbank Hall, Cumbria 27 July – 3 August 2024. For more information see: [www.boarbankhall.org.uk](http://www.boarbankhall.org.uk) To book, email [margaret@boarbankhall.org.uk](mailto:margaret@boarbankhall.org.uk)

**FAITH FORMATION SOCIAL MEDIA** We have set up new social media accounts for Lifelong Faith Formation and will be sharing upcoming opportunities, good news stories and updates. Please follow us on Twitter: @dolformation Instagram: @dolfaithformation Facebook: Diocese of Leeds Faith Formation

**FAITH IN FOOD** Saturday 18 May 11am - 3:30pm - Fancy a day out in Preston? The Commission is offering to reimburse public transport costs to attend this day about our food system. Meet people from across northern dioceses who are concerned about our food system. To find out more details and to register for this free event, follow the link below. ALL Welcome. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/faith-in-food-tickets-879396337117>

**CENTENARY OF THE DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL JULY 2024** On Thursday 18 July at 11.30am, together with the Priests, Deacons, Religious and Lay Faithful, Bishop Marcus will celebrate a Solemn Pontifical Mass at the Cathedral Church of St Anne, the Mother Church of the Diocese of Leeds, to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Cathedral's Dedication. More information about the Cathedral's centenary celebrations will be published in due course.

**THE MYTHOLMROYD STATION PARTNERSHIP** is hosting 'Mytholmroyd Heritage Day' on 1 June 2024, celebrating the 150th anniversary of the railway station building. The Good Shepherd is invited to showcase church and community photographs at the exhibition in the station building and St. Michael's church hall. Volunteers to collect and present the photographs are required and can contact Kay Pierce for details.

**FLOWER ROTA** 5 May Patricia and Paul Newman, 12 May Agnes, 19 May Janet Almond, 26 May Maureen and Frank Flynn.

**HOSPITAL** chaplains are no longer given the names and religions of any patient unless they are dying, if a relative or friend goes into either Huddersfield Royal Infirmary, or Calderdale Royal Hospital, could you let Deacon Andrew know, (inc. Ward and bed Number): on 07986537430 or Email: [andrew.phillips@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:andrew.phillips@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

**YOUR VOTE MATTERS - DON'T LOSE IT** St Vincent De Paul and CAFOD wants to help the Catholic voice be heard in the next General Election, and we want to make sure our politicians make tackling poverty a priority. With over 5 million Catholics in the UK the next general election is an opportunity to bring attention to the big issues of our time. Visit.

<https://svp.org.uk/encounter>

<https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote>

**CHURCH WEEKEND** This year will be October Friday 11 to Sunday 13. Details coming later.

**LEEDS DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:** Friday 5 – Thursday 11 July. from Leeds/Bradford Airport: Please book with Tangney Tours T: 01732 886666 Further information [www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage/](http://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage/).

**WEEKLY ONLINE MEDITATIONS FROM THE BRIERY** Join us for a short meditation on the Sunday Gospel from 7.30pm to 8.15pm on Thursdays. The Zoom opens at 7.15pm for a chat. All are welcome. Register for Zoom link by emailing: [admin@briery.org.uk](mailto:admin@briery.org.uk) or call 01943 607287.