



Parish of Mary, Mother of God, Bradford

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Sunday 23rd January 2022

THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

First Reading Neh 8.2-6,8-10 Ezra read from the law of God & the people understood what was read.
 Resp Psalm Ps 95: **Res: Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life.**
 Second Reading 1 Cor 12:12-30 We together are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it.
 Acclamation Lk 4:18 The Lord has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty.
 Gospel Lk 1:1-4,4:14-21 The text is being fulfilled today.

Saturday 22nd January VIGIL	5.15pm St Winefride's	Maureen Vahter A
Sunday 23rd January THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	8.15am St Winefride's 9.15am St John's 10.15am St Winefride's (LS) 11.15am St John's	People of the Parish Priest's Intention Monica and Eddie O'Hara RIP Priest's Intention
Monday 24th January St Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church MEM	No Services today	
Tuesday 25th January THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL, APOSTLE FEAST	No Services today	
Wednesday 26th January Ss Timothy and Titus, Bishops MEM	7.00-8.00am St Winefride's 8.00am St Winefride's (L-Stream) 9.15am St John's School (Year 5) 12.15pm Huddersfield Crematorm	<i>Holy Hour</i> Jim Birch RIP Parish Dead List <i>Funeral Service: Shirley Kehoe</i>
Thursday 27th January Weekday in Ordinary Time	7.00-8.00am St Winefride's 8.00am St Winefride's (L-Stream) 11.00am Woodlands Court 7.00pm St Winefride's	<i>Holy Hour</i> Shaun Williams RIP; Eileen Beecroft RIP <i>Communion Service</i> Service of Confirmation celebrated by Bishop Marcus Stock
Friday 28th January St Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor MEM	9.00am St Winefride's (L-Stream) 9.15am St Winefride's School 2.00-3.10pm St Winefride's	Myra Casey A Mary McNamara RIP <i>Divine Mercy Holy Hour</i>
Saturday 29th January Saturday Mass of Our Lady VIGIL	9.00-10.00am St John's 10.00am St John's 5.15pm St Winefride's	<i>Holy Hour with Rosary</i> Charles McKenny RIP; Parish Dead List Priest's Intention
Sunday 30th January FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	8.15am St Winefride's 9.15am St John's <i>Welcome Mass for families of Year 3 & 4 pupils</i> 10.15am St Winefride's (LS) 11.15am St John's 5.00pm St Winefride's	Priest's Intention People of the Parish Phil Parkin RIP Edward Lyons RIP <i>Holy Hour with Vespers & Ben</i>

Confessions

Friday 2-3pm, St Winefride's; Saturday 9-10am, St John's; and any time on request.

Please pray for those who are **sick** and those who have **died** recently.

Parish Mission Statement: *In obedience to Jesus' Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20), and in response to our Bishop's call for parishes to become more missional, we will engage in three missions in particular: to the family of the parish; to young people; and to those outside the Church.*

Parish finances

Offertories: 16th Jan: **E: £193.40; L: £269.48. 200 Club: £100. Standing order weekly average: £450.**
Thank you for your generosity!

Welcome to **our new Parish Secretary, Anna Kujaczynska!** She will be working in the Parish Office on Tuesdays and Wednesdays between 8.50am & 2.20pm: office.marymotherofgod@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

We are grateful to **Fr Franco Mastromauro**, who is a Comboni Missionary, and to **Frs Columba Jordan and František Chloupek**, who are Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, who are kindly supplying at this weekend's Masses. Fr Paul and Fr Peter have tested positive for Covid 19 and are self-isolating.

First Sacraments

18 young people from our parish and 16 from St Joseph's Parish will be **Confirmed** by Bishop Marcus in a Service at St Winefride's this Thursday evening.

Parents of Year 3 children are invited to enrol them in the **Preparation Programme for First Confession** at any of the Masses on 12th/13th February. They are asked to download an application form from the parish website, complete it and send it as an email attachment to the Parish Office by Friday 11th February.

The **First Holy Communion Masses** for children in Year 4 will be the 10.15am Masses on Sunday 19th and 26th June and 10th July at St Winefride's and the 11.15am Mass on Sunday 17th July at St John the Evangelist's. Parents whose children have made their first Confession are invited to book a slot at one of these Masses, indicating also a second preference, by emailing the Parish Secretary. The number of children who can attend each Mass is limited. A **letter** will be sent to the parents this week.

Parents who wish **to have Baptised a child already at primary school** are invited to contact Fr Paul.

Adult formation

Would you like to explore the **Christian faith?** Fr Paul, Alison Park (adult formation lead in the Shared Leadership Team) and a small team of catechists, in liaison with Called and Gifted UK, the Franciscan Friars and the Briery Retreat Centre, can offer bespoke responses to individual's needs, including personal accompaniment, in-person and virtual learning/discussion groups, prayer experiences, discernment opportunities and suggested pathways for participation in the life of the local Church.

Zoom Sycamore **Baptism preparation sessions** for parents: Saturdays 5th, 12th and 26th Feb, 11am.

Catechetical sessions for couples wishing to marry in 2022 and 2023: Saturdays 19th Feb, 5th March, 12th March, 30th April and 7th May, 11am, St John's Church Hall.

This week's intercessory prayer intention

For the parents of children who will be receiving the first sacraments, that they may witness to their faith in Jesus by bringing their children to Mass.

Women's interfaith group

Thurs 3rd Feb, 7pm: Inaugural meeting, the Presbytery. Come along to help build good relationships!

Support for people in need

Donations for the Friars. Please leave tuna, cheese, corned beef, coffee sugar, chocolate bars and crisps in church porches *this* weekend.

The St Win's **SVP** Conference needs some curtains & curtain poles to help a family. Ring: 07932 337244.

Parish matters

Monday 24th Jan, 8.30am: **Church cleaning**, St Winefride's.

Wednesday 26th Jan, 9am: **Catholic Care Community Market Stall** (free café and free food parcels); 1pm: **Catholic Care Lunch Group**. All welcome! St W's Hall.

Wednesday 2nd February, 7.30pm: **Parish Finance Committee**, Presbytery.

Thursday 10th February, 7.00pm: **Shared Leadership Team**, Presbytery.

Youth

Senior Youth Group (Yr 7 and above) 6.30pm, Friday 28th January, St John's Church Hall; **Junior Youth Group:** Sunday 13th February, 2-4pm: **Ice Skating**, Bradford Ice Rink.

Diocesan and Deanery news

Annual Lourdes Dinner Dance: Friday 18th February at the Met hotel in the centre of Leeds. Begins at 7:30pm. Tickets: £35 include a reception drink, 3 course meal, Live music and entertainment. Tickets are available from: philmarshall49@hotmail.com or tel: 07766 148375. All profits go to the Lourdes Fund.

Mon 7th Feb, 7-9pm: **Catholic youth work training**. Facilitated by the Diocese of Leeds Youth Service, for anybody interested in working with young people. H Hall. To book: youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

School vacancies

Headteacher, St Joseph's, Hunslet. Mr Hutchinson: 0113 2712093. **Headteacher**, St Francis', Morley. Mrs Harrison 0113 323 0554. **Head of Computer Science**, St Mary's Menston: www.stmarysmenston.org

200 Club January Draw

B Henry (99); Fr Paul (186); Mrs M Morton (185); Mrs K Kenningham (126); Mrs Jubb (64).

A concern about **Safeguarding?** Please contact Ruth Westbrook: psr.rwestbrook@dioceseofleeds.org.uk