



Parish of Mary, Mother of God, Bradford

St Winefride's Church, St Paul's Avenue, Bradford BD6 1ST (open daily 7am-7pm)

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Sunday 21st June 2026

Saturday 20th June Vigil Mass	5.15pm St Winefride's	People of the Parish
Sunday 21st June TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	8.15am St Winefride's 9.45am St Winefride's 11.15am St John's 5.00pm St John's	People of the Parish Peter Wilby RIP Intentions of the McNulty Family <i>Adoration, Vespers, Benediction</i>
Monday 22nd June SS JOHN FISHER, BP & THOMAS MORE, MARTYRS FEAST	7.00am St Winefride's 8.00am St Winefride's 12.30pm St Winefride's	<i>Holy Hour with Lauds</i> For vocations to the priesthood and religious life George Konickal Thomas RIP
Tuesday 23rd June Weekday in Ordinary Time	12.00pm St John's 6.00pm St John's 7.00pm St John's	Priest's Intention <i>Holy Hour with Vespers</i> Forgotten Souls RIP
Wednesday 24th June THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST SOL	9.15am St John's School 12.30pm St Winefride's Hall 2.00pm St John's	Intentions of Year 3 pupils Jane Raisbeck RIP Wedding: Connor Pearson and Demi-Leigh Mitchell Brook
Thursday 25th June Weekday in Ordinary Time	7.00am St Winefride's 8.00am St Winefride's	<i>Holy Hour with Lauds</i> Priest's Intention
Friday 26th June Weekday in Ordinary Time	9.15am St Winefride's School 2.30-3.10pm St Winefride's 6.00pm St John's	Priest's Intention <i>Holy Hour, Divine Mercy Chaplet</i> George Butterfield RIP
Saturday 27th June OUR LADY OF UNFAILING HELP, PRINCIPAL PATRON OF THE DIOCESE FEAST Vigil Mass	9.00am St John's 10.00am St John's 12.00pm St Winefride's 5.15pm St Winefride's	<i>Holy Hour with Rosary</i> Priest's Intention <i>Baptism: Sonny Softley</i> People of the Parish
Sunday 28th June SAINT PETER AND SAINT PAUL, APOSTLES SOL	8.15am St Winefride's 9.45am St Winefride's 11.15am St John's 5.00pm St John's	Priest's Intention Beryl Pearson A Peter Butterfield RIP <i>Adoration, Vespers, Benediction</i>

Confessions: Sats, 4.30-5pm, St W's; Tues, 11.45pm, St J's; Wed, 12-12.20pm, St W's.

Please pray for the sick & those who have died recently.

Parish Mission Statement: *We reach out to all people in Jesus' name.*

Finances

Offertory: Sun 14th June: **E: £291.50; L: £292.42. 2nd Collection: Retired Priests: E: £142.50; L: £160.18. Refreshments: St W's: 9.00.** Average weekly income: standing orders: £450; contactless payment machine: £150. Thank you for your generosity! **Second Collections:** Today: **Day for Life.** Next w/e: **Peter's Pence.**

Parish matters

The **Bishop** is making a **canonical visitation** to our parish on Sunday 19th July so I'd be grateful if we could use this as an opportunity to make sure that everything is looking spic and span and that all our planning for 2026/27 is up-to-date. I'll be presenting him with our programme of activities for this period so parish groups are asked to submit dates to me for events by the end of this month.

Would you like to nominate yourself or somebody you know to **become a member of our Parish Pastoral Council?** The PPC meets every two months & its members work to create & implement our Parish Action Plan. If you would like to help our parish to grow, join us! Please see Fr Paul.

Red APF Boxes: Please leave them in the Parish Office or a sacristy before the end of June.

Would you like to stop being a **parish volunteer?** After a while that which brought us joy can become burdensome. Please let Fr Paul know by the end of June to help with planning for the autumn.

Our summer **Holiday Activities and Food Programme** will run over six days, namely Tues & Thurs, 4th, 6th, 11th, 13th 18th, 20th Aug. Please sign up as a volunteer on the lists in the porches. **Catholic Care Lunch Groups** in Bradford are having two Summer Parties! If you have never tried us, give us a go. The parties will take place on Tues 30th June at St John's (12.30pm) and on Wed 1st July at St Win's (1pm). There will be music from the Toe Tappers. £5 for a two-course meal: please call Gemma 07599 653210.

Gianna Baby Bank is looking for volunteers! Duties would include: receiving donations, simple administration, helping to make up referrals in preparation for delivery. If you would like to help with this initiative, please contact Kim: 07525 406071. Do you hold **Blue Donation Envelopes** no 3 or no 7? Please get in touch with Parish Office, we need to update your details for Gift Aid Donations.

The numbers of families wishing to get their children into our parish primary schools is increasing—as word about the quality of education they provide is spreading! - but there are still places available for Sep 26. Contact the Parish Office.

Young people and children

Fri 26th June 6.30pm: **Parish Youth Group**, St John's Hall. If the weather is fine we will go for a walk in the nearby fields so bring suitable footwear.

First Holy Communion Programme: Wed, 3.30-4.45pm: 24th June (St J's School). Thurs, 6-7.15pm: 25th June; (St W's Hall). Children need to attend Mass each Sunday.

Forthcoming events

Tues 22nd June, 7.30pm: **Finance and Property Committee**, St John's Hall.

Fri/Sat 26th/27th June: **Great Horton Singers** present their summer concert at St Win's Church Hall. Bar & refreshments available. Tickets £8 on the door or from Audrey on 07968496181.

Mon 29th June, 8.30am: **St W's Church Cleaning**

Fri 10th-Sun 12th July: **Forty Hours' Devotion** in both our schools and churches. Please sign up for one-hour prayer slots on the list in our porches. Please be generous in giving of your time in this way so that the clergy do not have to do all the praying! Parish groups are invited to book a slot as well. It will conclude with a Eucharistic Procession after the 9.45am Mass at St W's.

Sun 12th July, 12.45pm (dep): First Parish Pilgrimage to the **Annual Postgate Rally** (Diocese of Middlesbrough) in honour of Blessed Nicholas Postgate and the Martyrs of England and Wales, St Anne's, Ugthorpe, YO21 2BQ. Mass at 3pm. Minibus tickets: £10. Children go free.

Wed 15th July, 3.30pm: **Parish Senior Leadership Team**, Presbytery.

Sat 18th July: **Parish trip to the seaside.** Tickets: £15. Children go free. Please sign up in the porch.

Sun 19th July: **Canonical Visitation** of the Parish by Bishop Marcus.

Adult formation

Thursday 25th June NB, 6.30-7.30pm: **Adult Faith Formation Group.** St J's Church Hall. This week we are looking at the Roman Canon or Eucharistic Prayer 1. There were six of us last Fri. All welcome!

Saturdays 26th June, 4th July, 11am: **Baptism Preparations classes**, St John's Church Hall. Please book your place at the Parish Office. We are now encouraging godparents, who represent the Church community, to attend these classes. Godparents need to be practising Catholics.

Group meetings/regular events

Cath Care Stay & Play: Mon, 9am: St W's Hall.

UCM: 1st Mon, 7.30pm: St J's Hall.

Catholic Care Lunch Groups: Tues, 1pm, St J's Hall: Wed, 1pm, St W's Hall.

St J's SVP: Alternate Tues, 5.30pm: Wdside Ct.

Bible Study: Wed, 10.30-11.15am, St W's Hall.

St W's SVP: 2nd Wed, 11.15am: St W's Room.

CC Community Market: Wed, 10am: St W's Hall.

Youth Group: Fri, 6.30pm: St J's Hall, (term time)

St W's Gardening Grp: Every Sat, 11am-12noon.

St J's Church Cleaning: 3rd Sat, 8am.

DIOCESAN, DEANERY AND ECUMENICAL NOTICES

ST. AIDAN'S MIRFIELD PARISH MISSION: Mon 22nd June-Wed 24th 2026. Led by Sr Briege McKenna & Fr Pablo Escriva de Romani. This is an opportunity to renew our faith and draw closer to Jesus. Sr Briege & Fr Pablo are known for their ministry of healing, preaching and have seen many miracles! For further details please ring 01924 492950 or email office.staidan@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

BEREAVEMENT ACCOMPANIMENT TRAINING: Elizabeth Prout Bereavement Care are offering a two-day training course in bereavement accompaniment on Mondays 22nd & 29th June 2026 at The Briery Retreat Centre in Ilkley. The cost is £70 and includes a cooked 2 course lunch and refreshments on both days: epbereavementcare@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or 01943 607287.

CHARITY CONCERT: CHORAL MUUSIC SOLO SONGS: PERFORMED BY THE Diocese of Leeds Music Staff on 26th June, 7pm; Sacred Heart Church Ilkley, LS29 9HD.

NEW LIFE THROUGH WATER AND THE HOLY SPIRIT RETREAT DAY FOR NEW CATHOLICS: The Faith Formation team within the Vicariate for Education warmly invites newly received Catholics to a retreat day exploring the gift of new life in Christ, including time for prayer and fellowship, celebrating the adventure of faith together. Saturday 27 June, 10.00am–3.00pm, Briery Retreat Centre, Ilkley, £35 per person (including lunch): 01943 607287 or admin@briery.org.uk.

SUMMER CONCERT OF THE HAREWOOD CONSORT: at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Moortown, 5 July, 7pm. Programme: Pergolesi's Stabat Mater and Bach Cantata "Es ist dir gesagt". Orchestra, Choir, Soloists and Narrator. Conductor: Eduardo Portal Martín. Tickets on the door or at <https://www.harewoodconsort.com>

FOUNTAINS ABBEY MASS: Mass for the Feast of St Benedict, Tuesday 14th July, 12noon. All welcome.

FRIENDS OF BRIERY SUMMER FAYRE: Sat 19th July, 2-4pm. Stalls: crafts, gifts, books, tobola, raffle and more. The Briery Retreat & Conference Centre, 38 Victoria Ave, Ilkley. 01943607287.

CATHOLIC CARE GARDEN PARTY: Join us on Sunday 19th July 12.30pm at Catholic Care Head Office for our summer fundraiser! Enjoy live music from Voices of Yorkshire, a BBQ, games, raffles, cakes and more. Browse the clothes and book sale, try henna and relax with friends and family. Free entry and all proceeds support Catholic Care's vital work in the local community.

WEBELIEVE FESTIVAL OF CATHOLIC LIFE: 24-27th July 2026, an unmissable opportunity to discover the traditions and charisms that flow through the Church, to grow in authentic community, and to encounter the transforming love of God, with parishes and families in mind. Four days of music, keynote, conversation & worship, in the beautiful surroundings of St Mary's College, Oscott. Tickets and more information available now at: www.webeliefestival.com

PILGRIMAGE OF REPARATION AND PRAYER FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE: Saturday, 1st August 2026, Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. Pilgrim Mass 12:00noon. Eucharistic Adoration, Stations of the Cross, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Litany of Life and Benediction, Rosary and a silent walk as an Act of Reparation. The pilgrimage will be concluded by a Prayer for England and the Salve Regina. For further details, please visit prolifepilgrimage.org.

INDIVIDUALLY GUIDED RETREAT: 4th-13th August (6-day option to 11th). There are still a few places for IGR at The Briery.: 01943 607287 admin@briery.org.uk

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027: The Diocese of Leeds Youth Service are excited to be offering this once in a lifetime opportunity to go on pilgrimage to Seoul, South Korea for World Youth Day 2027 as part of a Northern Diocesan Partnership!: youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

LEEDS INTERNATIONAL ORGAN FESTIVAL: Join us at Leeds Cathedral for the Leeds International Organ Festival, featuring a series of recitals by outstanding organists from across the UK and around the world. Mondays up to 13th July, 1.15pm, Leeds Cathedral – free entry: <https://www.leedsiof.org/home>

Afghan Welcome Project Dioceses across the North West are partnering with Catholic Care (Leeds) to help Afghan families resettle in the UK with support from local communities. We are seeking volunteers, community groups, landlords and property owners to get involved. Webinar: www.caritassalford.org.uk/event/afghan-welcome-webinar; email: resettlement@caritassalford.org.uk.

Catholic Care Recruitment: Support Workers required- Full and Part time hours available for our services in Leeds, Bradford and Life Skill Mentors required in Dewsbury Please see our website for details - www.catholic-care.org.uk/jobs

Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

Our Lady of Unfailing Help! Pray that the Lord of the Harvest will send labourers into His harvest and that He will grant an abundance of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life within the Diocese of Leeds, and throughout the world. Amen.

