

ST MARY & ST ALBAN HALIFAX



PARISH CLERGY: Fr. Martin Kelly, Deacon John Walsh St. Mary's Presbytery, 2 Clarence Street, Halifax, HX1 5DH

THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 29TH AUGUST 2021

MASSES LIVE IN ST MARY'S AND STREAMED VIA YOU TUBE (L)

	Time	CHURCH	Intention
Sunday 29th August—The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:30a.m. 11:00a.m. 1:00p.m. 6:00p.m.	St Mary's (L) St Mary's (L) St Mary's St Alban's	For the Parish Bridget Carroll Polish Mass Eddie and Mary Coates
Monday 30th—Ss Margaret Clitheroe, Anne Line and Margaret Ward	No Mass		
Tuesday 31st—St Aidan	No Mass		
Wednesday 1st September Weekday In Ordinary Time	9:30a.m.	St Mary's	Richard Blackburn
Thursday 2nd—Weekday in Ordinary Time	No Mass		
Friday 3rd—St Gregory the Great	9:30a.m.	St Mary's	Kathleen Ratkowski
Saturday 4th—St Cuthbert	12:15p.m.	St Mary's	John Joseph Staden

Fr Kelly will be on leave from next week.

There will be no Live Streamed Masses until his return.

We wish him a peaceful and restful time after his considerable efforts for the Parish, Deanery and Diocese over the last 17 months.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Alan Ernest Palfrey and all those who have died recently and for Canon Timothy Coughlan, Fr Leo Mitchel, Fr Michael Cresswell and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYER LIST

Gladys Megson, Patricia Hintze, Patricia Ellison, Margaret Burke, John Wallis, Millie Haigh, David Murphy, Peter Fekete, Fawzia Mohamed, William Long, Sonya Box, Julie Simpson, Charlotte Fitzpatrick, Kathleen Knapton, Peter Carolan, Peter Smith, Julie Hall, David Hopkinson, Moya Andrew, Tony Lennon, Suzanne Peaker, Larry Byrne, Winnie Whelan, Kathleen Hannan, Nancy McGrath, Eleanor Foran, Maureen Colleran, Pat Reynolds and all the sick and housebound of the parish, their families and those who care for them.

We **WELCOME** into God's Family and our Parish Community **JOSEPH ELAND and JACK HALLINAN** who were baptised recently at St Alban's.

MASSES RECEIVED

Eddie and Mary Coates, Doreen Terry, Bridget Carroll

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST

THE CHURCH: Let us pray for the Church, the She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament will take place from 11 to Noon on Saturday at St Mary's and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 11 to Noon on Saturday at St Mary's and from 5:45 p.m. on Sunday at St Alban's.

PRAYER GROUP

There will be a Rosary Zoom Meeting 882 976 305 Password 7riK44 on Wednesday evening at 7pm:

PARISH CHOIR

Do you like singing? Why don't you join our Parish Choir? Choir Practice is on Wednesday at 6:30p.m. at St Mary's.

SVP

Anyone who needs to get in touch with the SVP in the Parish can now call 07512 011 440.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE'

A prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil outside the MSI abortion facility, Leeds from 22nd September to 31st October, 7am to 7pm.

Last sign of hope and first sign of mercy. Since 2007, campaigns worldwide have resulted in over 19,000 babies and their mothers being saved from the tragedy of abortion.

Many others have been helped on the journey of reconciliation and healing following their abortion.

To get involved as a prayer partner or as a vigil volunteer contact:-

Chris Redding 07815681343 email 40daysforlifeleeds@gmail.com
Further information at www.40daysforlife.com/leeds

COVID RESTRICTIONS

I would ask that people respect the restrictions that remain in place for the safety of everyone and recognising that many people are still very nervous and they should be able to attend church without that being exacerbated by unthinking behaviour.

FACE MASKS: : It is no longer necessary to wear masks in church,

though parishioners should feel free to do so if they wish.

SOCIAL DISTANCING: As you enter St Mary's, the benches on the right (organ side) will remain as they are with social distancing in place. The benches on the left can all be used with no social distancing.

HAND SANITISING: Please **continue** to use the hand sanitising gel as you enter and leave church.

BOOKING SYSTEM: It is no longer necessary to book.

HOLY COMMUNION: Those on the left side of church should make their way to the altar gates to receive Holy Communion. Those who are socially distancing on the right will have Holy Communion brought to them as is the present practice.

SINGING: Congregational singing is now permitted. I will produce hymn sheets for each Sunday in the coming weeks so that hymn books do not have to be used.

ST ALBAN'S CHURCH

Social Distancing cannot be guaranteed at any Masses at St Alban's.

In all of this, I thank you for the generous way that you have looked after and assisted one another in feeling safe when coming before the Lord in prayer.

GIANNA PROJECT (CATHOLIC CARE)

A Huge THANK YOU to all who contributed to the appeal for Baby Items for the Gianna Project. Your generosity is amazing, God Bless You All

GATHERING PLACE FOOD BANK (EBENEZER)

Next Sunday is the first of the month and our normal day for donating Foodstuffs and Domestic Products to the Food Bank. Items can be left at the churches after any Mass next week..

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

On the Parish website there is a link on the Home Page to details of this week's activities. There are additional Children's Resources via the Parish Life tab at the top of the Home Page.

DIOCESAN VACANCY

With the upcoming retirement of the current officeholder, the Diocese of Leeds is recruiting for the post of **Chief Operating Officer.** Contract: Permanent, Full-time. Salary: £70k to £80k p.a. related to experience. For details of the application process and job specification, Email: bishop@dioceseofleeds.org.uk. Closing date for applications: Friday, 24th September 2021. Date of Interviews: Monday, 4th October 2021.

Mass Offerings, Notices and News Items for the Parish Bulletin should be given to Fr Martin or Deacon John by Wednesday evening at the latest. Notices and News Items but not Mass Intentions can be sent to John Coates (01422 360469 or ibcoates@btinternet.com) again by Wednesday evening. The Parish Safeguarding Representative is Clare O'Neill (07792147620 psr.coneill@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

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