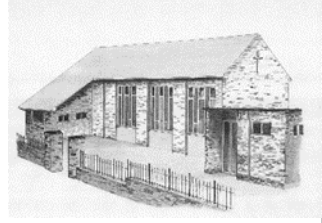




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THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

10TH MARCH 2019

Feasts of the Week

All days this week are
Weekdays of Lent

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Day	Time	Church	Intention
Sunday 10th March	9.30am	St. Alban's	Fred Greenwood
	11.00am	St Mary's	For the Parish
	1.00pm	St Mary's	Polish Mass
	6:00p.m.	St Alban's	Private Intention (PC)
Monday 11th	No Mass	Today	
Tuesday 12th	7:00p.m.	St Alban's	Michael Child
Wednesday 13th	9:00a.m.	St Mary's	Patrick Raney
Thursday 14th	10:00a.m.	St Alban's	Tom Brennan
Friday 15th	9:00a.m.	St Mary's	Maureen Woodhouse
Saturday 16th	12.15pm	St Mary's	Margaret Johnson

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday: 11.00am - Noon at St Mary's dedicated to praying for vocations to the priesthood.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 11.00am - 12noon St Mary's
Sunday: 5.15pm - 5.45pm St Alban's

Your Offerings Weekly Offering:

March 3rd —£1068.02
Thank you for your generosity.
TODAY the Retiring Collection will be the White Flower Appeal for the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children.

Masses Received:

Fr Peter Ward,
Catherine Horne & Fr Tom Durkin,
Private Intention,
Private Intention (PC),
Fr Peter Ward, Thomas Ward,
Mollie Noble, Brenda Wadsworth,
Michael Child, Fred Greenwood .

Please pray for Stephen Coyle, Molly Noble, Patricia Bastian and all those who have died recently and for Fr John Joseph Kearns and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Prayer List

James Earley, Fawzia Mohamed, Diana Freeborn, Joe McGoverin, Mandy Randall, David Burrows, William Long, Sonya Box, Julie Simpson, Charlotte Fitzpatrick, Kathleen Knapton, Peter Carolan, Peter Smith, Anne Griffiths, David Hopkinson, Julie Hall, Dorothy Pickles, Moya Andrew, Tony Lennon, Suzanne Peaker, Rose Marie Rothery, Alexander Johnston, Larry Byrne, Eddie Casey, Bernard Corcoran, Winnie Whelan, Kathleen Hannan, Nancy McGrath, Eleanor Foran, Maureen Colleran, Pat and John Reynolds and all the sick and housebound of the parish, their families and those who care for them.

LENT 2019

Please do your very best to keep the Holy Season of Lent as well as possible. Make a firm resolution to do something throughout the season by way of **PRAYER, FASTING AND ALMSGIVING**. Here are some suggestions:-

PRAYER Say the Rosary daily, go to weekday Mass, attend Exposition, attend the Stations of the Cross.

Do some spiritual reading (have a look at the pamphlet racks and libraries at the back of church).

FASTING Give up a regular meal (one lunch or supper a week). Decide on something to give up for the whole of Lent.

ALMSGIVING Decide on some charitable cause and make a real sacrificial gift to it.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND BENEDICTION DURING LENT

St Mary's - On Fridays at 7:30p.m. **St Alban's** - On Wednesdays at 7:30p.m.

Please note that it is time for making your **EASTER DUTIES**.

Every Catholic should try to go to Confession and Holy Communion before Trinity Sunday.

EUCCHARISTIC

MINISTERS 10TH MARCH

9:30 JOHN GREENWOOD

11:00 MARIA GRIFFIN

6:00 G MCCORMACK

17TH MARCH

9:30 BRENDA BIGGINS

11:00 ANNE AND

CHRISTINE SMITH

6:00 G MCCORMACK

READERS 10TH MARCH

9:30 BERNARD CORCORAN

11:00 MALVINA KARUNA

6:00 KIERON GREEN

17TH MARCH

9:30 JOHN MULLAN

11:00 TIM WIDDOP

6:00 JOHN GRANT

HUDDERSFIELD CATENIANS:

The next monthly meeting will be on Tuesday 19th March from 7.30 pm at the Pennine Manor Hotel followed by a meal.

Any men interested in joining the Catenians should speak to either the current President Denis Gallivan who can be contacted on 01484 302599 or Membership Officer Dennis Donnelly on 01484 606042.

MOTHERS PRAYERS:

Mother's Prayers founded in 1995 is a prayer group where mothers both physical and spiritual come together to worship, share and above all pray for their children. Would you like to know more? Please contact Gaye Colleran or say a decade of the Rosary each day for the success of this excellent venture..

FIRST CONFESSION 2019:

CONGRATULATIONS

to all those children from our Parish and from the Deanery who made their First Confession yesterday at St Bernard's. Please pray for them and for their families.

Thank you to all those who helped in their preparation.

FIRST COMMUNION 2019

The first session for Parents/Carers and the children who are making their First Communion in May will be at School at 6:30p.m. this Wednesday (13th).

HALIFAX DEANERY MARRIAGE

PREPARATION COURSE

The Marriage Preparation Course will include three sessions and will take place on April 28th, May 5th and May 12th at St Mary's Presbytery at 12:15 (just after 11:00a.m. Mass). It is important that any engaged couple who intend to marry this year will need to attend all three sessions.

If you wish to take part please contact Deacon John Walsh on 07774857016.

PARISH PIGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

Tuesday 7th May to Friday 10th May.

Accommodation costs will be £173.05 per person and transport will be £55 per person based on a party of twenty people.

To book a place please contact Joan Smith on 01422 365427 or 07540111271.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

HOW CAN THE SVP HELP YOU?

Come to our next meeting at 7:30p.m. at St Alban's on Tuesday 19th March. Enjoy a cup of tea and a chat with us.

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

OVER 60'S:

Next meeting will be Wednesday 13th March at 2:00p.m. at St Alban's.

REFRESHMENTS

There will be Tea, Coffee, Juice and Biscuits after 9:30 Mass TODAY.

HALIFAX FOOD AND SUPPORT DROP IN

THANK YOU for the donations to the Food and Support Drop In.

£100,000 CHALLENGE

200 Club February Winning Numbers

£100—No 57 £70—No 98 £30—No 72

"The Smartie Challenge"

Tubes of Smarties will be available after Sunday Masses to those wishing to participate. You may enjoy the Smarties before filling up the tubes with the coins of your choice (5p, 10p, 20p or £1). The tubes of coins should be returned to Church as soon as possible after Easter Saturday.

Thank you in anticipation of your continued support.

PARISH LADIES GUILD

Thursday 14 March "An evening with David Glover"

David will give a talk with visuals about "Old Halifax ". To be held in St Mary's church hall. Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start. This is a ticketed event. Tickets are available after both Sunday morning Masses. Members £1, Non members £3.50. Raffle, mini bar and light supper.

PLG Fashion Show

Friday 12 April. To be held in St Mary's church hall by Heather from Chainreaction. Consisting of Women's clothing and accessories which may be purchased at the end of the show.

Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start.

Tickets are available after both Sunday morning Masses £5.00 each. Mini bar and raffle.

To reserve tickets for either event please phone

Jean 07453639567 or Maureen 07790681770 .

The Ladies Guild are asking for donations of bottles of wine, Prosecco, beer or lager to sell at our fundraising events.

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 jbcoates@btinternet.com) again by Wednesday evening.

The Parish Safeguarding Officer is Caroline Walsh (01422 241345) Leeds Diocese Charity Registration No. 249404