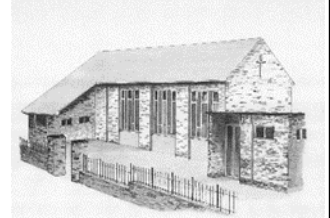


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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 26TH APRIL 2020

SCHEDULE OF MASSES CELEBRATED BY FR MARTIN OVER THE LIVE STREAM ACCESSIBLE FROM THE PARISH WEB SITE

Day	Time	Intention
Sunday 26th April THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	11:00a.m.	For the Parish
Monday—Weekday of Easter 27th	9:30a.m.	Members and Benefactors of the Yorkshire Brethren
Tuesday—Weekday of Easter 28th	9:30a.m.	Mary Dolly
Wednesday - 29th ST CATHERINE OF SIENNA	9:30a.m.	Caron Hudson
Thursday— 30th St Pius V	9:30a.m.	Mollie Noble
Friday— 1st May St Joseph the Worker	9:30a.m.	Dino Costa
Saturday - 2nd St Athanasius	9:30a.m.	The Beaney Family

MASSES RECEIVED: Betty Budds, Mary Budds, Terry Budds, Private Intention (x2).

Please pray for Patrick Barrett, Jury George Kowelskey and all those who have died recently and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYER LIST

Margaret Burke, John Wallis, Millie Haigh,
David Murphy, Peter Fekete, Fawzia Mohamed,
David Burrows, William Long, Sonya Box, Julie Simpson,
Charlotte Fitzpatrick, Kathleen Knapton, Peter Carolan,
Peter Smith, David Hopkinson, Julie Hall, Moya Andrew,
Tony Lennon, Suzanne Peaker, Rose Marie Rothery,
Larry Byrne, Eddie Casey, 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.

ALL PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS AND GROUP MEETINGS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED OR POSTPONED.

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

PARISH CENSUS

In these days, we have become more aware than ever of the importance of keeping in touch with one another, especially as we are unable to gather together for Mass each Sunday.

It has been many years since there was a parish census. A census enables us to keep up to date with parishioners and also to build up a database of those who wish to be kept informed about parish life by email.

A simple census form is available to complete electronically on the parish website. Hard copies of the form will also be made available in the churches when we reopen them.

Please do take the time to complete the census.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Can those who donate using offertory envelopes please let Bernard Corcoran know your address so that we can get your new envelopes to you. Email berjoscor@gmail.com or text/call 07969 561943 (mobile) or call 01422 321584 (landline) .

Thank You

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.

Diocesan Notices can be found on the Parish Website. The Parish Safeguarding Representative is Clare O'Neill (07792147620 psr.coneill@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS

Mass will continue to be live streamed via the parish website by clicking

<https://www.stmaryshalifax.com/live-stream/>

The times of Masses are: Sunday 11am, Monday – Saturday 9.30am

PRAYING TOGETHER

There are opportunities to pray together online for parishioners. The system we will be using is very simple to understand, instructions are below. The schedule is:

Tuesday at 3pm: Stations of the Cross— Zoom Meeting ID : 354 736 708

Wednesday at 7pm: The Rosary—Zoom Meeting ID : 882 976 305

Friday at 3pm: Chaplet of the Divine Mercy - Zoom Meeting ID : 570 322 551

Friday at 7pm: Stations of the Cross—Zoom Meeting ID : 142 983 391

Saturday at noon: The Rosary - Zoom Meeting ID : 315 660 254

To join the prayer groups, download and install Zoom at <https://zoom.us/sign%20up> Once done, send the email address you have used to join Zoom to paulcoates0410@gmail.com. This will be used to send you the invitation link to the prayer meetings. Just before the start of the prayer meeting, simply log-on to Zoom, click on 'join meeting' and paste in the meeting link you have been sent or the meeting ID. Once in the meeting you can switch off the camera at the bottom left of the screen if you would rather just have audio. Make sure the mic is on (bottom left of the screen) so you can join in with the responses.

PARISH WHATSAPP GROUP

A Parish WhatsApp group will be established so that parishioners can keep in touch with one another. Fr Martin will be the administrator of the group. If you wish to be included in the group, please send a text message with your name to **07990280144**.

PARISH GIVING

Several parishioners have asked how they can continue to make their weekly giving to the parish. This is a very generous and we are very grateful to those who have thought of it. There are several ways in which you can continue to contribute financially to the parish. If you wish to set up a standing order to donate regularly you can set this up via your own bank. The parish account details are HSBC Bank Sort Code 40 27 15, Account Name: Diocese of Leeds St Mary's Church, Account Number: 21023225. Alternatively, you can download a standing order form [here](#). Return the completed form to Fr Martin at the presbytery (2 Clarence Street, Halifax, HX1 5DH).

There is also the possibility to make one off donations by text message. You can donate £5 by texting CHURCH MARY HALIFAX to 70500. Cheques, cash and envelopes can also be posted at the presbytery.

PRAYER RESOURCES

You will find some very useful and devout prayer resources on the Parish Website or by clicking <https://www.stmaryshalifax.com/prayer-resource/>. This also includes suggested prayers from the Bishops of England and Wales. In particular the practice of making a Spiritual Communion is highly recommended and will give you an overabundance of Grace.

NATIONAL WEEKLY MASS FOR NHS AND CARE HOME WORKERS

A National Weekly Mass, will be celebrated by one of the bishops of England and Wales, and live-streamed from his Cathedral, for NHS front-line and Care Home workers, the sick and their families each week at 7.00pm. The Bishop Marcus will celebrate the Mass at Leeds Cathedral on Thursday, 7th May at 7pm. The Mass will be live-streamed via the Cathedral and diocesan websites.

THINKING OF WORKING IN CATHOLIC EDUCATION?

St John Fisher Catholic Secondary School in Dewsbury are currently recruiting for members of staff both teaching and non-teaching to join the staff team. Of particular interest are teachers of English, Maths, RE, Performing Arts (Dance, Drama and Music) and Geography, as well as an IT technician. Additionally, they have a post of head of English vacant from September.

If you, or someone you know is interested in teaching in our school please contact our Headteacher Designate,

Miss Sarah Wilkinson on s-wilkinson@stjohnfisher.org.uk

Additionally, our Trust, the Blessed Peter Snow Catholic Academy Trust is also interested in hearing from anyone who is interested in both teaching and non-teaching post in both Primary and Secondary Schools across the whole Kirklees and Calderdale area. Again, if you or someone you know is interested in working in our family of schools please contact our CEO Mr Richard Williams on r-williams@bpstrust.org.uk for a confidential discussion about vacancies across the Trust.

LIVE- STREAMING FROM THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY, WALSINGHAM

CATECHESIS The Shrine is very grateful to Father Stephen Wang for allowing us to use his Sycamore Program. We shall be showing the 20 half hour videos, starting on Monday 27th April. They will be shown at 10.30am and 4.00pm each day.

SOME ADDITIONAL PRAYERS APPROPRIATE FOR THE PRESENT.

PRAYER FOR HEALTH CARE STAFF:

Wondrous God, author of life, you fashioned us in your likeness and breathed into us the life which is your own. Be with those whose special care is the health of mind and body. Fill their hearts with awe for the life which is your gift and sustain them daily in your service, that their hands may bring to others the comfort of your healing touch. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER INTENTION OF POPE FRANCIS FOR APRIL 2020:

FREEDOM FROM ADDICTION:

We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

FOR THE AFFLICTED IN TIME OF PANDEMIC:

Let us pray for all those who suffer the consequences of the current pandemic, that God the Father may grant health to the sick, strength to those who care for them, comfort to families and salvation to all the victims who have died.

Almighty ever-living God, only support of our human weakness, look with compassion upon the sorrowful condition of your children who suffer because of this pandemic; relieve the pain of the sick, give strength to those who care for them, welcome into your peace those who have died and, throughout this time of tribulation, grant that we may all find comfort in your merciful love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.