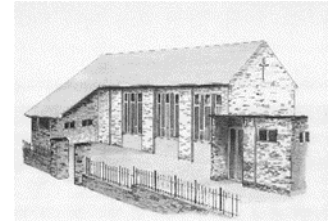


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THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

30TH JANUARY 2022

CELEBRATION OF MASS—(L)= LIVESTREAMED ON YOU TUBE

	Time	Church	Intention
Sunday 30th January— The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:30a.m.(L) 11:00a.m.(L) 1:00p.m. 6:00p.m.	St Mary's St Mary's St Mary's St Alban's	Thanksgiving (MB) Alessandro Pietrantuono Polish Mass For the Parish
Monday 31st—St John Bosco	No Mass		
Tuesday 1st February Weekday in Ordinary Time	9:30 a.m.	St Alban's	Joan Smith
Wednesday 2nd—THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD	9:30a.m.(L)	St Mary's	David and Suzanne Peaker
Thursday 3rd—? St Blaise/Ansgar	10:00a.m.	St Mary's	Silvestras Alisuskas
Friday 4th—Weekday in Ordinary Time	9:30a.m.(L)	St Mary's	Denis Smyth
Saturday 5th—St Agatha	12:15p.m.(L)	St Mary's	Marie Finn

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

PRAYER GROUP
There will be a Rosary Zoom Meeting 79885782514 Password C8RKVv on Wednesday evening at 7pm:

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

READERS ROTA
We would like to restart the rota for those people wishing to be part of the Reading at Mass Ministry. If you wish to join the rota please let Deacon John or John Coates (07842066450) have details at which Mass you would like to read.

PLEASE PRAY FOR David Peaker , Gerald Anderson and all those who have died recently and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYER LIST

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

MASSES RECEIVED: Gerald Anderson, David & Suzanne Peaker, David Peaker, John O'Rourke, Jean & David Wilkinson, Helene Lopusniak.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY FOR TRUE HUMAN FRATERNITY

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution: may their own rights and dignity be recognised, which originate from them being brothers and sisters in the human family

HALIFAX DEANERY MARRIAGE COURSE

The Marriage preparation course will include three sessions and will take place on March 13th, March 20th and March 27th at St Mary's Presbytery at 12.15 (just after the 11.00am 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 07774 857016.

CONGRATULATIONS

Yesterday, after two years of study, Helen Mellor & Greg Finn from our deanery were awarded the Certificate in Pastoral Ministry by the Institute of Pastoral Studies of Loyola University, Chicago. Our heartfelt congratulations to them. We also express our gratitude to them for undertaking this programme of study that will, no doubt, serve the parishes of our deanery.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION—FIRST CONFESSION

Parents/Carers, of children in **Year Three** or above and who do not attend one of the Catholic schools in the district and wish them to receive **the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time** this year, should contact Fr Martin, Deacon John or Helen Mellor (07931 998337) as soon as possible.

FIRST COMMUNION

Parents/Carers, of children in **Year Four** or above and who do not attend one of the Catholic schools in the district and wish them to make their **First Communion this year**, should contact Fr Martin, Deacon John or Helen Mellor (07931 998337) as soon as possible.

EASING OF COVID RESTRICTIONS

After consultation with Public Health England, the Bishops of England & Wales have eased some of the restrictions that have been in place in our churches. The following will affect us:

Alongside the positive effects of covid vaccination, it should be stressed that any people displaying symptoms of Covid-19 should stay at home and not participate in acts of worship in church.

This is good practice for any transmissible illness.

It is still good practice to facilitate hand sanitisation on entry and exit of churches (and halls).

There is no need for formal social distancing in church buildings, although those present should be sensitive to the needs of others around them.

Face coverings are no longer required by law in any setting. However, the Government guidance states that “Public Health Guidance will remain in place, suggesting individuals should continue to wear a face covering in crowded and enclosed spaces, where you may come into contact with people you do not normally meet.” Therefore, those attending an act of worship may continue to wear a face covering (both nose and mouth) whilst in the church building, until the time people feel comfortable and confident not to wear them.

Holy water stoups in churches may be refilled but care should be seen that the water is changed regularly.

Usual forms of church cleaning are sufficient.

THERE SHOULD BE A RETURN TO THE NORMAL MODE OF CELEBRATING MASS RESPECTING THE INTEGRITY OF THE RITE. THIS INCLUDES:

There is no need for readers (or other ministers) to sanitise their hands before reading or performing other ministries in the church. All ministers of Holy Communion (clergy and lay people) should still sanitise their hands for the distribution of Holy Communion. Holy Communion should be distributed with the faithful approaching the minister in a procession and no longer by the minister(s) going to the congregation and moving between the communicants.

For the time being, Holy Communion must continue to be given under one kind only (the Sacred Host).

THE GATHERING PLACE FOOD BANK (EBENEZER)

Next Sunday is the first of the month and our usual day for making donations to the Gathering Place Food Bank.

Donations can be brought to church for delivery to the Gathering Place

BRADFORD CATENIAN CIRCLE

Any practising Catholic men interested in increasing their social networks are invited to contact Tim Part on 01274611330, Membership Officer or visit the website. www.catenians.com

HUDDERSFIELD CATENIAN CIRCLE

Plans have been made for a group of the Huddersfield Catenians to visit the Harrogate Circle on Tuesday 8th February when a number of members are due to be presented with long service scrolls for 40 and 50 years membership of the Association.

DIOCESAN NOTICES See separate page on the Parish website

AND FINALLY

CONGRATULATIONS to **MICHAEL BLACKBURN** who celebrates his **90th BIRTHDAY** on Monday.

God Bless and Many Happy Returns from everyone in the Parish.

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 jcoates@btinternet.com) again by Wednesday evening.

The Parish Safeguarding Representative is Clare O’Neill (07792147620 psr.coneill@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

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