

PARISH NEWSLETTER NOTICES

Diocesan Events, Invitations from Parishes and other Organisations, listed chronologically.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: 40 Days for Life - prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil outside the MSI abortion facility, Leeds, 25 September to 3 November 7:00am - 7:00pm. To obtain further information, contact Chris Redding, Tel: 07815 681343, email: 40daysforlife@gmail.com or visit the website: www.40daysforlife.com/leeds.

Updated information - regarding recent buffer zone legislation

Information from Mr Chris Redding:

"I have spoken to Safer Leeds today [19th September 2024] (joint police, council and other organisations body) and there are no changes to dates or information. Our flyers already include information regarding the campaign moving to outside the 150m zone if the legislation comes into force. If buffer zones are imposed on the 31st of October, we will just relocate for the final four days."

"GOD WALKS WITH HIS PEOPLE" – WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES 2024

The Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development has sent a link for the materials and presentation for the World Day of Prayer which takes place on Sunday 29th September 2024. Pope Francis' Message for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2024 can be found here: <https://www.humandevlopment.va/en/news/2024/giornata-mondiale-migrante-e-rifugiato-2024-tema-messaggio-papa.html>

CAFOD'S HARVEST FAST DAY APPEAL: Friday 4 October. You can donate during parish collections for CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal this Harvest season. Remember to pick up your Family Fast Day envelope and Gift Aid your donation if you can. You can also give online at cafod.org.uk/envelope. More information, including the wonderful story of Daniel who has been supported to learn new carpentry skills to enable him earn money to help feed his family at <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/event/cafods-family-fast-day-appeal/>

PRO-LIFE PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF MOUNT GRACE SHRINE, OSMOTHERLEY: Saturday 5 October. Various transport pick-up points in Shipley/Leeds or meeting outside the Village Store at 11am. Transport available for Pilgrims unable to walk. Please bring a picnic. Prayers in Reparation for the Sanctity of Human Life, Holy Hour 2pm, Vigil Mass 3pm. To book/further details, contact Kate on 07505 767415.

PARISH MUSIC WORKSHOPS: The Diocesan Music Department invite parish musicians to a free workshop focusing on preparing for the new translation of the lectionary. Sunday 6 October 2024, 2-4pm, Wheeler Hall at Leeds Cathedral. All welcome. Please book by contacting office@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk or 0113 244 8634. The Music Department is also always happy to provide advice to parish priests and musicians when requested. Please contact the Music Office to arrange a meeting.

ANNUAL BATLEY TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION: Monday 7 October 2024, 7:30pm. St Mary's Catholic Primary School processing to the nearby St Mary of the Angels' Catholic Church. Led by Mgr Paul Grogan, and the sermon preached by Fr Simon Lodge, the Torchlight Procession is a fine expression of our Catholic faith and gives honour to Mary, Mother of God. Refreshments will be served in the parish hall afterwards.

HANDMAIDS WOMEN'S GROUP: Join the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal for Adoration, Music, Rosary, opportunity for Sacrament of Reconciliation and refreshments. Friday 11th October 2024 7-8.30pm Corpus Christi Church, Neville Road, Leeds.

ST WILFRID'S WAY: Our 9th annual Diocesan 'camino' between Leeds Cathedral & Ripon will be walked on Friday 11 & Saturday 12 October. Please could all pilgrims planning to join any stage of either or both days of the Pilgrimage register their interest by emailing communications@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

The parishes through or past which we will be walking: Mother of Unfailing Help (Cathedral and Holy Rosary), Immaculate Heart, Moortown, St Joseph, Wetherby, St Robert, Harrogate, St Joseph, Bilton, St Mary, Knaresborough, St Joseph, Bishop Thornton, St Wilfrid, Ripon.

ADVENT EVENTS AT THE BRIERY: Day of Reflection led by Fr Dennis Cassidy, 10.00am – 4.00pm Saturday 7 December £40pp including a two-course home-cooked lunch.

Advent Preached Retreat led by Fr Chris Thomas 13-15 December, entitled 'Advent – a time to meet the God of Surprises'. £215pp fully inclusive/£100pp non-residential. For more information or to book either of these events, contact the Administrators: admin@briery.org.uk or 01943 607287

NEW BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY TRAINING: A two-day course for those wishing to learn how to accompany those who are grieving. 10am – 4pm Saturday 11 January *and* Saturday 18 January 2025 at The Briery. For more information or an application form please contact the Elizabeth Prout Bereavement Care team at epbereavementcare@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

OTHER NOTICES

PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD OF BISHOPS: The second session of the Synod will commence on 2 October. The Holy Father has requested the prayers of the whole Church during the Synod. During October, dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary, please consider offering a decade of the Rosary each week to pray for the maternal intercession of the Mother of God, for the Church and for the members of the Synod.

LEEDS CATHEDRAL SCHOOL VISITS: A range of resources, aimed at school years 5-7 have been created in order to enable school and extracurricular group visits to the Cathedral. The resources have been designed by teachers from across the Diocese, with the support of the Vicariate for Education and are suitable for faith and non-faith groups. A comprehensive teachers / leaders guide, a booking enquiry form and resources can be found here: <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/cathedral/school-visits/>.

ST PAUL'S BOOKSHOP AT HINSLEY HALL: (10.00am-4.00pm, Monday-Friday) has a full range of Advent and Christmas supplies (candles, cards, and books). We will also be stocking People's Missals with the new Lectionary translations, which will come into use on Advent Sunday.

CHRISTIAN HERITAGE CENTRE EVENTS: The Christian Heritage Centre are running a variety of lectures and retreats covering a range of topics including the legacy of St Thomas More and St Dominic's Marian devotion. Please visit <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/> for details and booking of all events.

ZOOM GOSPEL MEDITATIONS: The Briery host a weekly hour of meditation/reflection focusing on the following Sunday's readings, providing an opportunity for shared reflection in small groups,

recommencing on Thurs 3 October. Reflection begins at 7.30pm, doors open from 7.15pm for a welcome/chat. All are welcome to attend. To find out more, and to receive the link, email admin@briery.org.uk or call 01943 607287.

VACANCIES

HINSLEY HALL, DUTY NIGHT MANAGER VACANCIES x 2: Hinsley Hall is part of the Diocese of Leeds and operates as a Hotel, Conference and Retreat Centre. The Night Managers will be responsible for the smooth operation of the hotel during the night to ensure high standards of guest satisfaction and safety are achieved consistently. More details and an application form can be found at www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/vacancies Closing date for applications is Friday, 4 October 2024.

VARIOUS VACANCIES: including Class Teacher, Pastoral Lead and SEND Support. Our Lady and St Brendan's Catholic Primary School, Idle, Please visit <https://www.ourladyandstbrendans.co.uk/about-us/vacancies> for more information. Further info: Please contact Our Lady and St. Brendan's Catholic Primary School on 01274 611992 or email office@olsb.bcwcatholic.co.uk

DEPUTY HEADTEACHER VACANCY: St Edward's Catholic Primary School, Boston Spa. Start: January 2025. Closing date: Tuesday 15th October 2024. Please contact stedwardsadmin@st-edwards.leeds.sch.uk for more information about this position.

SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS CLASS TEACHER (MATERNITY COVER) VACANCY: St John's Catholic Specialist School, Boston Spa. Required: November 2024. Closing date: Wednesday 2nd October 2024. Please contact Mrs K Holt, karen.holt@stjohns.org.uk for more information about this position and an application pack.