

Rt. Rev Marcus Stock (Bishop of Leeds)

THE PARISH OF ST MARY & ST PATRICK

Sunday 26th January 2025

(Sunday of the Word of God)



Book of Remembrance January 25th

Mary Lynch (2019) Clifford Mitchell (2018) Mark Mathers (1975)

26th

Rita Nellist (2020) Joseph Breslin (2017) Michael Lynch (1963)

27th

Christine Shalks (2022)
Frances Flanagan (2021)
John Rodney Heptinstall (1958)
Jack Carroll

28th

Charles James Kennedy (2024)
Kathleen Batley (2021)
Christine Alwell (2019)
Frances Denville (2019)
Andrew Weaver (2012)
Catherine Blanchfield (2011)

20th

Julie Anne Wilton (2020) Kathleen Cookman (2014) Maria Hill (1986)

30th

Margaret Watson (2019) Thomas (Tommy) Doyle (2016)

31st

David Kaye (2024)
Muriel Ocran (2020)
Mark Mathers (2019)
Patrick Conneely (1981)
Edith May Teale (1974)
James Smith (1961)

February

1st

Joan Hoyle (2018) Chris Welford (2017) Richard Eddy (2013) David Stead (2002) Baby David Hanson (1951)

James Judge

	3 RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)							
Sat 25 th Jan	4.30pm	St Mary	3 rd Sunday in O T	Maria Ashton (RIP)				
6.00pm		St Patrick	3 rd Sunday in O T	Margaret & Michael Rabbitt (Rem)				
Sun 26 th Jan	9.00am	St Patrick	3 rd Sunday in O T	Michael Lynch (A)				
	10.30am	St Mary	3 rd Sunday in O T	Rev. Patrick Kelly (RIP)				
Mon 27 th Jan	11.30am	St Patrick	Weekday in O T	John Rodney Heptinstall (A)				
	5.00pm	St Mary	Holy Hour: Adoration & Rosary & Benediction					
	6.00pm	St Mary	Weekday in O T	Bishop Marcus Intentions				
Tues 28 th Jan	8.30am	St Mary	Holy Hour: Adoration & Rosary & Benediction					
	9.30am	St Mary	St Thomas Aquinas	Joseph Breslin (A)				
FUNERAL	11.00am	St Mary	REQUIEM MASS - Brian Healey (RIP)					
Wed 29 th Jan	5.00pm	St Mary	Holy Hour: Adoration & Rosary & Benediction					
	6.00pm	St Mary	Weekday in O T	Gerard Breslin (RIP)				
Thurs 30 th Jan	12.00noon	Convent	Weekday in O T	Private Intention (CH)				
CONFIRMATION	7.00pm	St Mary	Sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop Marcus					
Fri 31 st Jan	8.30am	St Mary	Holy Hour: Adoration & Rosary & Benediction					
	9.30am	St Mary	St John Bosco	Bishop Marcus Intentions				
SCHOOL MASS	10.30am	St Mary	St Mary's Catholic Primary Academy - Class Mass					
Sat 1 st Feb	9.00am	St Patrick	Holy Hour: Adoration & Rosary & Benediction					
	10.00am	St Patrick	Weekday in O T	Michael Marren (RIP)				
BAPTISM	11.00am	St Patrick	Baptism	of Ruben				
	PRESENTATION OF THE LORD (FEAST)							
Sat 1 st Feb	4.30pm	St Mary	Presentation of the Lord	Viola Bradshaw (RIP)				
	6.00pm	St Patrick	Presentation of the Lord	Ann Pygott (RIP)				
Sun 2 nd Feb	9.00am	St Patrick	Presentation of the Lord	Roy Cawtheray (RIP)				
	10.30am	St Mary	Presentation of the Lord	Mary & Kevin Martin (Rem)				
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PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE POORLY... Kathleen Pawson (nee Rush), Frank O'Neill, Ann Leach, Elaine Richardson, Catherine & Jimmy McVeigh, Sheila Haigh, Geoff Holland, Stefan Stadnicki, Peter McKenna, Raymond Crorken, Anthony Clementson, Simon Murphy, Margaret Harrison, Franco Menic, Katie Gallagher-Peel, Elaine Wraith, Fr David Bulmer, Jane Hellings, Barry Murphy, James Waldron, Pauline Clark, Marian McGeown, Zoe Sands, Peter Savage, Clare Gavan, Mason Ross Kilgallon, Julie Murphy, Baby Archer, Ro, Gail, Nancy, Judy, Gail & the Teal Sisters (Ovarian Cancer Support Group), Paris Thompson, Joan Franklin, Rod McKenzie, Patricia Mould, Michael Andrews, Elaine Mulqueen, Linda Beck, Evelyn Hall, David Nicholson, Neil Hilton, Margaret Norton, Celia & Harry Wilson, Desmond Graham, Michael O'Hanlon, Sandra Heaton, Ann Mawby, Joan Scott, Janet Howgate, Maureen Leahy, Peter Connor, Patricia Beveridge, Elaine Rollinson, Marie Hatch, Jen Ward, Ian Wiseman, Madge Dawson and Michael Hammerton-Boyes.

Parish Livestream Facility - stmaryandstpatrick.org.uk.

<u>Recently Deceased</u> - Viola Bradshaw, Pat Timberley, Brian Healey, Louis Mbanefo Mary Leyssens, Ann Pygott, Michael Marren, Madge Dawson

FORTHCOMING FUNERALS						
Name: Church:		Arrangements:				
Brian Healey (RIP)	St Mary's	Requiem Mass - Tuesday 28 th January - 11.30am				
Pat Timberley (RIP)	St Patrick's	Requiem Mass - Monday 3 rd February - 11.00am				
Louis Mbanefo (RIP)	St Mary's	Requiem Mass - Monday 10 th February - 11.00am				

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSIONS - and upon request			SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - as arranged with Fr Eamonn		
St Patrick's	Saturdays	9.15am - 9.45am	St Patrick's	Saturdays	11.00am
St Mary's	Saturdays	3.45pm - 4.15pm	St Mary's	Sundays	11.30am



JUBILEE 2025 - 'PILGRIMS OF HOPE' - 1ST FRIDAY PRAYER VIGILS

Friday 7th February - St Mary's Church

6.00pm Stations of the Cross & Confession

7.00pm The Rosary & Confessions

8.00pm Holy Mass

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament throughout)



"If we want to grow and to be filled with the love of God, it is necessary to plant our lives firmly on three great realities: the Cross, the Host and the Virgin Mary: crux, hostia, et virginem...these are three mysteries that God gave to the world in order to structure, fructify and sanctify our interior life and to lead us to

Jesus." (Cardinal Robert Sarah: "The Power of Silence")

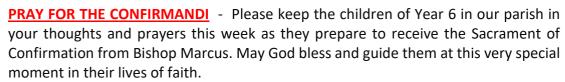
May I invite you to come along and join us for our Jubilee Prayer Vigils. This is an opportunity to experience God's forgiveness, receive the Jubilee Indulgence and rest prayerfully in the presence of our Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament - All welcome.

<u>CAFOD JUBILEE YEAR PRAYER CARDS</u> - please find at the back of church a beautiful Jubilee Prayer Card which has been commissioned by CAFOD. Please take one home and also give a copy to family and friends who might appreciate one. May I encourage you to pray the Jubilee Prayer during this special year as 'Pilgrims of Hope'

<u>WEEKDAY MORNING MASSES AT ST MARY'S</u> - Please note that with immediate effect we will be reverting back to our original time of 9.30am for the weekday morning Masses in St Mary's. The changed time of 10.00am on Tuesday and 12.00noon on Friday did not seem as popular as the Mass at 9.30am, so we are going back. May I say thank you to St Mary's Primary Academy for being able to accommodate this change of time again. Then School Class Mass will now take place at 10.30am every other Friday.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

<u>WELCOME TO BISHOP MARCUS</u> - this week we welcome Bishop Marcus to our parish who is here to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with our Year 6 children. It is lovely that Bishop Marcus can be here with us for this special occasion.







POP INTO ST PAT'S

<u>Monday 27th January</u> - come along and join us for our weekly social and lunch. This wee our entertainment is **Peter Hardcastle a local Saxophonist**. He will play lots of oldies we all know.

Monday 3rd February - Pop into St Pats will start at 1.00pm - 3.00pm Guest Speaker - Richard of Outback Beez

will talk to us about beekeeping in West Yorkshire. Following his presentation there will be delicious honey available to buy.

Come along and meet old friends and make some new ones. Everyone welcome.

<u>VIOLA BRADSHAW (RIP)</u> - many people have been asking me the details for the funeral of Viola Bradshaw who sadly passed away so suddenly just after Christmas. Viola was only 10 years old and the family had no warning that there was anything wrong. Viola's funeral funeral will take place as follows;

Friday 31st January 1.00pm

Holy Spirit Church

Please keep Viola and her heart-broken family in your thoughts and prayers. Also, please remember the staff and children of Holy Spirit Primary Academy in your prayers. They too are devastated with this sad news.

<u>PRESENTATION OF THE ST PATRICK'S 1ST RECONCILIATION CHILDREN</u> - this weekend I am delighted to welcome the children in Year 3 who are now preparing to make their 1st Reconciliation. They will be presented to the parish at the 6.00pm Mass. Please keep the children in your prayers as they prepare for this important step in their life of faith.

<u>PARISH BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP</u> - 'The Journey' Grief Care Group for anyone walking through Loss. An opportunity to spend time with others who recognise your journey in bereavement. The next meetings are scheduled as follows; Thursday 13th February 6.30pm

Thursday13th February6.30pmThursday20th March6.30pmThursday8th May6.30pmThursday5th June6.30pm

These meetings will take place in the St Mary's Parish Room. Tea & Coffee will be available. It is open to Catholics and non-Catholics are very welcome too. If you are struggling with bereavement, you are very welcome.

<u>ST PATRICK'S DISCUSSION GROUP</u> - We meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 10.00am in the St Patrick's Church Tea/ Coffee room. All are welcome. *For further details call Andy Hill on:* 01274 315271 or 07729 626966.

ST PATRICK'S LEGION OF MARY - The St Patrick's legion of Mary meet on;

Tuesday mornings at 10.00am in the St Patrick's Parish Meeting Room.

<u>OUR PARISH HISTORY</u> - On Sunday evening, 28th January 1934 a large audience of local Catholics gathered in Batley's Empire Super Cinema, to listen to Father Martin Dempsey of London lecturing on "The Catholic Church, the only solution to the problems of the world." Arranged by Batley Catholic Young Men's Club, Dr. J. R. Cowgill, Bishop of Leeds, presided. Somewhat shockingly to readers today, the bishop said – to laughter – he did not know quite whether to put down Father McBride as a Hitler or a Mussolini, but he always seemed to get his own way. It shows the initially untroubled view about these two politicians. How these views were to change before the decade ended! (*Jane Roberts - Parish Historian*)

ST BLAISE'S DAY MONDAY 3RD FEBRUARY - TRADITIONAL BLESSING OF THROATS - Monday 3rd February is St Blaise's Day, but as you will see from the bulletin, I have had to rearrange Masses that day in order to accommodate a funeral. I know many people like to receive the traditional Blessing of Throats this day. So in order to make this blessing available, I will be doing the Blessing of Throats on Monday 3rd February at the 6.00pm Mass in St Mary's and also upon request after any weekday Mass during that week. I am sorry that I am not available for our usual 11.30am Mass on the Monday.

<u>WELCOME SPACE</u> - at St Peter's Church, Birstall every Wednesday 11am-2pm. Free. Refreshments, hot drinks, 3 soups and sandwiches, board games and small little ones play area provided.



<u>DRU YOGA WITH TAMLIN WALKER</u> - Dru Yoga is great for maintaining and improving flexibility and for maintaining the health of your joints. It can help with stress, relaxation and even help you sleep better!

Sundays 6pm-7.10pm £7.50 Heckmondwike Community Centre

Wednesdays 7.15-8.20pm £6 online via Zoom

Please contact Tamlin Walker on 07957434127 or tamdruyoga@gmail.com

ST MARY'S SOCIAL CLUB & PAROCHIAL HALL - Melton Street, Batley, WF17 8PT

Are you thinking about where to celebrate a family party, baptism, wedding, birthday (not children's parties). St Mary's Social Club has great rooms available to hire at very good prices.

The Melton Lounge - ideal for parties up to 50 people with a well stocked bar.

The Ball room - can hold up to 160 people, with an adjoining kitchen and bar.

For more information please vis

Booking Enquiries - Michelle 07896 974429 facebook.com/stmaryssocialclubbatley

EVENTS IN ST MARY'S SOCIAL CLUB - 2025

Social Dancing Sunday evenings from 7.30pm

Bingo in the LoungeTuesdays 8.00pm & Fridays at 8.00pm **Singing for Fun**Wednesdays from 2.00pm - 4.00pm.

Quiz NightWednesdays from 8.30pmBatley Rock and Roll ClubWednesdays from 8.00pmFitness with KarenWednesdays 5.45pm - 6.45pm

Slimming World Thursdays 9.00am - 11.00am & 5.00pm - 7.00pm - Friday 9.00am

Central Pointe Dance (in the studio) Monday to Thursday.

Regular sell out Rock and Roll Band nights - first Friday of the month.

Monthly Tribute nights with Batley's Legendary DJ Mick Ingram. Early booking essential: <u>Ticket Hotline 0776633695</u>

For the full list of this week's notices from the Diocese of Leeds, please see the poster at the back of church or see the Parish website.

THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.

THE PARISH OF ST MARY & ST PATRICK

Parish Priest - Very Rev Eamonn Hegarty (VF)

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PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES

St Mary's - Stacy Rhys-Hill & Eileen White - 01924 474650 St Patrick's - Sr Pat - Tel. (01924) 474640

PARISH NEWSLETTER NOTICES

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

PARISH RETREAT DAY - 'PILGRIMS OF HOPE': Saturday 1 February at The Briery, Ilkley. Join parishioners from Wharfedale parishes for a day retreat. £35pp including a home-cooked two-course lunch and all refreshments. Contact the Administrator admin@briery.org.uk 01943 607287 for more information or to book.

New notice – poster attached

ST BLAISE PROCESSION: In honour of Bradford's patron, St Blaise, join the CFRs in processing through Bradford city centre praying for the city as the 2025 UK City of Culture begins. Meeting February 1 10:00am, Centenary Square (in front of City Hall) asking for God's blessing; processing to the old Wool Exchange (now Waterstones) to offer devotional prayers at the statue of St Blaise and finally to St Patrick's Church for traditional blessing of throats. Monthly discipleship day follows with Rosary (11:45am) and Mass (12:15pm).

Diocesan notice – poster attached

OPEN INFORMATION SESSION ON THE DIACONATE: Are you inquisitive about the Ministry of a Deacon? Then you are invited to attend an open Information session at Hinsley Hall on Saturday 8 February, 10.30am – 12pm. For more information and to register please contact david.arblaster@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Diocesan notice – poster attached

SAFEGUARDING CONFERENCE: We are delighted to be hosting our first Safeguarding Conference on Saturday 8 February 2025, 10-3pm at Hinsley Hall. To date guest speakers include the Comboni Survivors Group, Hydrant Programme and Dementia Friendly Churches. It would be a great opportunity to be part of the discussion and sharing of information, to book your place please email safeguarding@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

SHORT RETREAT 'TIME TO MEET THE GOD OF SURPRISES': led by Fr Chris Thomas 11-13 February at The Briery, Ilkley. Fr Chris Thomas leads the Irenaeus Project in Liverpool, a retreat centre and the Archdiocese of Liverpool's Centre for Spirituality and Outreach. His retreats promise to be thoughtful, inspiring and perhaps a little challenging! Residential or non-residential places available. Contact the Administrator admin@briery.org.uk 01943 607287 for more information or to book.

New notice

REJOICE IN HOPE: Friday 14 February, 7pm, St Mary's Church, Halifax, HX1 5HD. Mission Halifax invite you to 'Rejoice in Hope' – a monthly prayer group. Adoration, praise & worship, prayer, and opportunity for social time following. All welcome. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram - @missionhalifax

LEEDS CATHEDRAL GUIDED TOURS WINTER PROGRAMME: Free Guided Tours take place on the following Saturdays at 1.30pm: 15th February and 22nd March. The tours last about 1 hour. No booking is required. On arrival, please gather by the Baptismal Font at the back of the Cathedral.

YOUTH 2000 LEEDS RETREAT: offers young adults (aged 16-35) from across Leeds and beyond the opportunity to come together and explore what it means to be in relationship with God. Offering the opportunity to encounter Jesus in the Eucharist, grow in relationship with Him and His Mother,

and form friendships with other young adults from the local area. Saturday 15 February, Leeds Trinity University, Brownberrie Lane, Horsforth, LS18 5HD.

Tickets from https://www.youth2000.org/events.

THE ANNUAL LOURDES DINNER DANCE: will take place on Friday 28 February 2025 at the Met Hotel in Leeds, Tickets are £40 each or £375 for a table of 10, Ticket price includes a reception drink, a 3 course dinner and entertainment throughout the night. Please contact Phil Marshall for tickets or more info on 07766 148375 or at philmarshall49@hotmail.com

New notice – poster attached

WORD ON FIRE – UK BIBLE CONFERENCE 2025: From Friday 21st to Saturday 22nd February 2025, the *Evangelisation & Culture: The Bible* conference will be taking place at the Excel Centre, East London. The conference theme is to gain a deeper appreciation of the Sacred Scriptures and their relevance to the Church's mission today. Speakers include Bishop Robert Barron, N.T. Wright, Professor Tracey Rowland and more. I enclose a flyer for the events and for more information and to register, please visit: https://events.wordonfire.org/the-bible-event

Poster attached

LITTLE SISTERS FUNDRAISING EVENT: On Friday 28 February 2025 at Irish Centre Tara Suite, 7.30pm. Tickets £25.00. Meal of soda bread, Irish stew and dessert, also Irish band dancing, sing-along, auction and raffle. Please come along and support the Little sisters and have a great night of entertainment. All proceeds to go towards rebuilding of Mount St Joseph's. Contact details Sr.Christina Email funds.leeds@lsplondon.co.uk

Diocesan notice

NEW BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY TRAINING: We are very pleased to be able to offer another presentation of this two-day course for those wishing to learn the basics of grief and how to accompany those who are grieving. The next training will be on Saturday 22 March and Saturday 5 April 2025 (9.45am – 4pm each day) 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

Catholic Care Notice

CARITAS LEEDS QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER: will be published to flag up the different ways in which parishes, schools and groups are putting into practice Catholic Social Teaching so that we can learn from each other's good practice. If you know of an initiative which is, for example, fostering human dignity, promoting solidarity, enabling subsidiarity or encouraging people to participate in the life of the community, please drop a note by the end of January to comms@catholiccare.org.uk

Diocesan Notice

RCIA LENTEN RESOURCE: Intended primarily for use with the Elect in their preparation for the Easter Vigil, this series of weekly meetings, with guidance materials for catechists, offers time to reflect on the Sunday Gospels of Lent. They can be freely adapted for wider parish use.

https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/education/sacramental-preparation/sacraments-of-initiation-for-adults/rcia/rcia-lenten-purification-and-enlightenment/

VACANCIES

Catholic Care Notice – please publish and promote

CATHOLIC CARE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER VACANCY: Salary £80,000 to £90,000 pro rata, depending on experience. Based in Leeds. Our ideal candidate will possess strong personal values with the vision and skills for leadership and a passion for caring for people in need and improving people's lives. They will have significant experience of leadership and developing and delivering strategy. For further details and how to apply please visit http://www.catholic-care.org.uk/recruit/latest-vacancies/, email or speak to Katrina on 0113 388 5400 or send your CV and cover letter to Katrina.greenhalf@catholic-care.org.uk. Closing date 9 February 2025.

New notice

HEADTEACHER VACANCY: St. Anne's Catholic Primary School, Keighley. Start: September 2025. Closing date: Friday 24th January 2025. Further info: <u>Blessed Christopher Wharton - Vacancies</u>
To discuss or arrange a visit, contact the Trust HR department, <u>hr@bcwcat.co.uk</u>

New notice

HEADTEACHER VACANCY: St. Clare's Catholic Primary School, Bradford. Start: September 2025. Closing date: Monday 27th January 2025. Further info: <u>Blessed Christopher Wharton - Vacancies</u> To discuss or arrange a visit, contact the Trust HR department, <u>hr@bcwcat.co.uk</u>

New notice

HEAD OF SCHOOL VACANCY: St. Winefride's Catholic Primary School, Bradford. Start: September 2025. Closing date: Friday 24th January 2025. Further info: <u>Blessed Christopher Wharton - Vacancies</u> To discuss or arrange a visit, contact the Trust HR department, hr@bcwcat.co.uk

New notice

HEADTEACHER VACANCY: Headteacher, St. Malachy's Catholic Primary School, Halifax. Start: September 2025. Closing date: 27th January 2025. Further info: Headteacher at St Malachy's Catholic Primary School, a Voluntary Academy, Halifax, West Yorkshire | MyNewTerm

To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Lois Kozlowski, admin@bpstrust.org.uk

New notice

ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER VACANCY: St. Mary's Catholic Primary School, Horsforth, Start: April 2025. Closing date: Friday 07 February 2025. Further info: Bishop Wheeler Academy Trust - Trust & Academy Vacancies (bishopwheelercatholicacademytrust.org)

To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Helen Tye, h.tye@stmaryshorsforth.org

New notice

DEPUTY HEADTEACHER VACANCY: St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Otley, Start: September 2025. Closing date: Monday, 27 January 2025. Further info: <u>Bishop Wheeler Academy Trust - Trust</u> & Academy Vacancies (bishopwheelercatholicacademytrust.org)

To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Vikki Wilkinson, office@stjosephsotley.org