

Book of Remembrance

January

4th

John Kenny (2021)

Kathleen Routledge (2022)

Daphne McLeod (2021)

Mary Martin (1994)

5th

Bernard Waite (2011)

Keith Cowgill (1999)

Violet McLoughlin (1997)

Jenny Prendergast (1993)

Mary Barclay (1992)

James Gallagher (1982)

Sr Agnes Josephine Dunne (1961)

6th

Sheila Power (2024)

Cliffe Justice Taderera (2021)

Margaret Clare Hall (2015)

James Gledhill (2010)

Clive Mansell (1998)

Annie Hopkins (1987)

James McGuire

7th

Ken Towner (2020)

Eileen Burke (2018)

Terence Dewhirst (2017)

John Varley (2017)

Maureen Sheridan (2007)

Edna Wraith (1983)

Annie Hopkins

8th

Val Hannan (2020)

Alistair Batchelor (2016)

Patrick 'Donald' Hampshire (2015)

Brian Hopkins (1999)

Mary Power (1965)

9th

Denis Walsh (2022)

Jack Walker (2016)

Margaret Mary Cunliffe (2015)

Pat Halloran (2013)

Donald Tinker (2009)

Allan Richardson (1993)

10th

Josie O'Hara (2020)

Marie Robbins (2017)

Mary Sowerby (2016)

Doreen Clare Jackson (2016)

Lily Irving (1979)

11th

Bernie Wilson (2024)

Thomas Halliwell (2021)

James Fenton (2018)

James Patrick Morley (2018)

Marjorie Palmer (2011)

THE PARISH OF ST MARY & ST PATRICK

Sunday 5th January 2025

The Epiphany of the Lord (Feast)



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (SOLEMNITY)

Sat 4 th Jan	4.30pm	St Mary	The Epiphany	Clive Leyssens & Rosemary Hughes (A)
	6.00pm	St Patrick	The Epiphany	John Kenny (A)
Sun 5 th Jan	9.00am	St Patrick	The Epiphany	Special Intention (CH)
	10.30am	St Mary	The Epiphany	Denis Walsh (A)
Mon 6 th Jan	11.30am	St Patrick	Monday after Epiphany	Brian Hopkins (A)
	5.00pm	St Mary	Holy Hour: Adoration & Rosary & Benediction	
	6.00pm	St Mary	Monday after Epiphany	Ivy Cawtheray
Tues 7 th Jan	9.00am	St Mary	Holy Hour: Adoration & Rosary & Benediction	
	10.00am	St Mary	Tuesday after Epiphany	Alistair Batchelor (A)
	12.00noon	Convent	Tuesday after Epiphany	Poorly Person
Wed 8 th Jan	5.00pm	St Mary	Holy Hour: Adoration & Rosary & Benediction	
	6.00pm	St Mary	Wed after Epiphany	Frederick Denis Mawby (A)
Thurs 9 th Jan	9.30am	St Patrick	St Patrick's Primary Academy Class Mass	
	12.00noon	St Patrick	FUNERAL SERVICE - Frank Michael Bailey (RIP)	
Fri 10 th Jan	9.30am	St Mary	St Mary's Primary Academy Class Mass	
	12.00noon	St Mary	Friday after Epiphany	Maureen Maguire (B'day Ints)
Sat 11 th Jan	9.00am	St Patrick	Holy Hour: Adoration & Rosary & Benediction	
	10.00am	St Patrick	Saturday after Epiphany	Private Intention (EH)
	11.00am	St Patrick	BAPTISM - Elodie Satya Nykiel	

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (FEAST)

Sat 11 th Jan	4.30pm	St Mary	Baptism of the Lord	Edna Mary Hunt (A)
	6.00pm	St Patrick	Baptism of the Lord	Bernie Wilson (A)
Sun 12 th Jan	9.00am	St Patrick	Baptism of the Lord	Viola Bradshaw (RIP)
	10.30am	St Mary	Baptism of the Lord	Annie, Jean & Christopher Hopkins

Parish Livestream Facility - stmaryandstpatrick.org.uk.

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 Crocken, 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.

Recently Deceased - Roy Cawtheray
Viola Bradshaw

Frank Michael Bailey
James Barratt

Glenise Howgate
Pat Timberley

Our Lady's Candle - Alistair Batchelor (A)

Ken Towner (A)

FORTHCOMING FUNERALS

Name:	Church:	Arrangements:
Frank Michael Bailey (RIP)	St Patrick's	Funeral Service - Thursday 9 th January at 12.00noon
Roy Cawtheray (RIP)	St Patrick's	Requiem Mass - Tuesday 14 th January at 1.30pm
Glenise Howgate (RIP)	St Mary's	Funeral Service - Thursday 16 th January at 1.30pm
James Barratt (RIP)	St Patrick's	Requiem Mass - Thursday 23 rd January - 12.30pm
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
Lewis Mbanefo (RIP)	St Mary's	Requiem Mass - to be arranged

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSIONS - <i>and upon request</i>			SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - <i>as arranged with Fr Eamonn</i>		
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

POP INTO ST PAT'S

Monday 6th January - Please join us for our first 'Pop into Pat's' lunch of the New Year on Monday 6th January, followed by one of our popular poetry sessions. Please join us between 12.00noon and 3.00pm and if you wish, bring along a favourite poem to share or just come along to listen. Everyone is very welcome and we look forward to seeing you all."

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

CONGRATULATIONS TO TOM PEACOCK & LIV BROADHEAD - on behalf of the whole parish, may I say 'congratulations' to Tom, Peacock and Live Broadhead who were married at St Mary's Church last Sunday. May God bless them as they begin their married life together.



"THANK YOU" TO THE FAMILY OF ANN FLEMING (RIP) - on behalf of the parish may I say a big thank you to the family of Ann Fleming who recently donated £200.00 to the parish. Ann passed away in Summer and her funeral took place here in St Mary's. They also raised £195.00 for help the Heroes - a very good cause and the money will be greatly appreciated. We keep Ann and all her family in our thoughts and prayers.

OUR PARISH HISTORY - The 5th January 1929 edition of the Batley News reported on the concert which took place in school on 1st January to aid the building of the new Presbytery at St Mary's, which was now nearing completion. School children portrayed nursery rhymes, and the St Agnes Guild put on a play "The White Dove of Erin," in which Miss Alice Collieran played the part of St Bridget. James Harkin won a box of chocolates. *(Jane Roberts - Parish Historian)*

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2025 - JUBILEE YEAR

ST PATRICK & ST MARY'S PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 19TH - 28TH JUNE 2025 - Please note that we still require one more helper to join us next year. The role is extremely fulfilling but quite straightforward. You must be fit enough to push a wheelchair and willing to possibly share a room with a "VIP" (a person with an illness or who is elderly).

We are also open to requests from those who wish to travel with us as a "VIP".

Helpers or VIP's need to budget for around £700 for the travel, hotel and full board. This small note cannot do justice to this unique experience so please speak to Dorothy Kenny or Paul Leese for further details (07582101538).

ST PATRICK'S DISCUSSION GROUP - 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.

WELCOME SPACE - 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.



DRU YOGA WITH TAMLIN WALKER - 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](https://www.facebook.com/stmaryssocialclubbatley)

EVENTS IN ST MARY'S SOCIAL CLUB - 2024

Social Dancing	Sunday evenings from 7.30pm
Bingo in the Lounge	Tuesdays 8.00pm & Fridays at 8.00pm
Singing for Fun	Wednesdays from 2.00pm - 4.00pm.
Quiz Night	Wednesdays from 8.30pm
Batley Rock and Roll Club	Wednesdays from 8.00pm
Fitness with Karen	Wednesdays 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: [Ticket Hotline 0776633695](tel:0776633695)

For a full list of notices from the Diocese please see the notice board at the back of church or refer to the Parish Website.

A Brief History of the Catholic Tradition of Jubilee Years

The Catholic tradition of Jubilee Years has its origins in the Old Testament and was established by the Church as a time of spiritual renewal, reconciliation, and indulgences. Here's an overview of its history:



Biblical Origins

The concept of Jubilee comes from the **Book of Leviticus 25** in the Old Testament, where every 50th year was declared a time of liberation and restoration:

- Slaves were freed.
- Debts were forgiven.
- Land was returned to its original owners.

This was a year dedicated to God, emphasizing justice, mercy, and communal renewal.

Christian Adaptation

1300 A.D. Pope Boniface VIII proclaimed the first Christian Jubilee Year as a time for the faithful to make a pilgrimage to Rome, receive indulgences, and seek penance. Pilgrims who visited the basilicas of St. Peter and St. Paul were granted spiritual benefits.

Initially, Jubilees were intended to occur every 100 years.

Development of the Tradition

In 1350, Pope Clement VI instituted a Jubilee at the 50-year mark due to popular demand, aligning it with the Old Testament practice.

By 1475, Pope Paul II set the interval to every 25 years so that every generation could participate.

Significance of a Jubilee Year

A Jubilee is a time of:

- Spiritual renewal: Encourages deeper faith and prayer.
- Forgiveness: Special indulgences are offered, emphasizing God's mercy.
- Pilgrimage: The faithful are invited to travel to Rome or other designated holy places.
- Charity and Justice: Acts of compassion, service, and advocacy for the marginalized are central.

The Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica and other basilicas in Rome is opened to symbolize the door to salvation.

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

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