

Book of Remembrance

February

15th

Barbara Stead (2021)

16th

Ronnie Hill (2017)

Harold Barclay (2002)

Timothy Harrington (1973)

Kathleen Hall (1040)

Terry McGuire

17th

Jimmy Reilly (2023)

Kevin Martin (2022)

Shirley Gavaghan (2019)

Matthew Lynn (2017)

Patrick Clancy (1978)

Catherine Curley (1965)

Catherine Coyne (2019)

18th

Gerard Doyle (2023)

Terry Marshall (2022)

Joseph Sheridan (2022)

Lindsay Helen Sykes

19th

Kath Hobson (2023)

Joyce Margaret Judge (2023)

Maurice Roberts (2022)

Patricia Scrutton (2021)

Agnes Young (2020)

Michael George North (2016)

Leonard Grogan (2015)

John Gittos (2013)

Frank Palmer (2010)

Maureen Stead (2009)

Patricia Taylor (1987)

William Kilbride (1961)

William Corah (1953)

20th

Stephen Taylor (2022)

Alan Atkinson (2000)

21st

Gertrude Coultis (2022)

Frances Crumpton (2020)

James McDermott (2017)

Mary Keelan (2014)

Terry Neville (2008)

Albert Gittos (2003)

22nd

William Crowther (2002)

**THE PARISH OF
ST MARY & ST PATRICK
Sunday 16th February 2025**

6th Week in Ordinary Time (C)



6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Sat 15 th Feb	4.30pm	St Mary	6 th Sunday in O T	John Gittos (A)
	6.00pm	St Patrick	6 th Sunday in O T	Joan Newsome (A)
Sun 16 th Feb	9.00am	St Patrick	6 th Sunday in O T	Lindsay Sykes (A)
	10.30am	St Mary	6 th Sunday in O T	Julie Mitchell (Rem)
Mon 17 th Feb				
Tues 18 th Feb				
Wed 19 th Feb				
Thurs 20 th Feb				
Fri 21 st Feb				
Sat 22 nd Feb				

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Sat 22 nd Feb	4.30pm	St Mary	7 th Sunday in O T	Ellen Maloney (A)
	6.00pm	St Patrick	7 th Sunday in O T	Silvetta & Frank Bailey (Rem)
Sun 23 rd Feb	9.00am	St Patrick	7 th Sunday in O T	Roy Cawtheray (RIP)
	10.30am	St Mary	7 th Sunday in O T	Mary Keelan (A)

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 Crokken, 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, 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, and Michael Hammerton-Boyes.

Recently Deceased - John Michael Donnelly Ian Wiseman Patricia Mould

***Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.
Let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.***

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

FORTHCOMING FUNERALS		
Name:	Church:	Details:
Michael John Donnelly (RIP)	St Mary's	Requiem Mass - Tuesday 4 th March at 11.30am
Patricia Mould (RIP)	St Mary's	Requiem Mass - Friday 7 th March at 10.00am

CAFOD JUBILEE YEAR PRAYER CARDS - 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'

THE BeMoreRuby FUND - As some of you may recall, Ruby Lockwood, a member of our parish died suddenly in October 2023. Ruby's cause of death was attributed to an undiagnosed genetic heart condition called Sudden Ahythmic Death Syndrome (SADs). Ruby's family have been campaigning to raise awareness and are currently raising funds to provide heart screenings for young people in the community in conjunction with the charity Cardiac Risk in the Young (CRY). The family would like to invite anyone to follow their journey via the links below:

<https://www.c-r-y.org.uk/ruby-lockwood/>

<https://www.instagram.com/bemorerubylockwood?igsh=c2kxMGQyeHZON2ds>



ST MARY & ST PATRICK PARISH LENTEN COURSE - 2025
"LES MISERABLES - ANOTHER STORY MUST BEGIN"

"Another Story Must Begin" is an original Lenten Course based around the novel, film and stage adaptation of Victor Hugo's 'Les Miserables'. Through discussion of some of the themes and principal characters of this epic narrative, the course explores the grace of God, alongside our fallen state and opportunities for redemption. It asks us to reassess what we can do with our lives, both for ourselves and others.

However, before I begin preparations for this course, I need to know will there be some interest in people attending. My plan, depending upon the numbers who sign up, is to run the course both in St Mary's & St Patrick's, as follows each week during Lent;

Monday evenings **St Mary's Parish Room** **6.45pm** (*after the evening Mass*)
Tuesday afternoons **St Patrick's Parish Room** **1.30pm**

(Each session lasts between 1hour 30mins to 2 hours maximum and refreshments are available)

If you are interested in attending this course, please sign your name on the form at the back of church, or please let Fr Eamonn know on either;

Tel: (01924) 474650 **email: eamonn.hegarty@dioceseofleeds.org.uk**

If there is enough interest, the course will commence in the first week of Lent watching the highly acclaimed Musical version.

POP INTO ST PAT'S

Monday 17th February - we are having a Poetry afternoon. Feel free to bring your favourite poem to share with the group.

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

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.

ST PATRICK'S LOURDES GROUP HELPER OPPORTUNITY

Pilgrimage to Lourdes in the Jubilee Year - 19th - 28th June 2025

Due to unforeseen circumstances, there is an opportunity to join our group as a helper (fit enough to push a wheelchair and willing to possibly share a room with a "VIP") or as a "VIP" (someone less mobile or able than they once were). Please 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 **Paul Leese for further details (07582101538)**.

PARISH BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP - '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	20th March	6.30pm
Thursday	8th May	6.30pm
Thursday	5th June	6.30pm

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.

OUR PARISH HISTORY - On 15th February 1948, after confirming 62 members of St Patrick's, Bishop Poskitt of Leeds blessed two gifts given to the church in memory of those parishioners who had paid the supreme sacrifice in the Second World War. One was a communion plate presented by Mrs. Sarah Maguire in memory of her and her late husband Patrick's 20-year-old son Fusilier John Maguire, killed in Italy on 23 April 1945. The other was a reproduction Lourdes grotto, designed by Allan Preston of Monk Ings Avenue and erected at the back of church by the ex-servicemen and women of the parish from 1939-1945, in memory of their comrades who lost their lives in the war, and in thanksgiving for their own safe return.

(Jane Roberts - Parish Historian)

Website: <https://pasttopresentgenealogy.co.uk>

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/stmarysocialclubbatley](https://www.facebook.com/stmarysocialclubbatley)

EVENTS IN ST MARY'S SOCIAL CLUB - 2025

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

BRADFORD CATHOLIC PLAYERS YOUTH - are presenting the School Edition of

"Les Miserables" - 2nd - 5th April - Bradford Ukrainian Club, 169 Legrams Lane, Bradford, BD7 2EA

To book your ticket: **Online - ticketsource.co.uk/bradfordcatholicplayers**

Email - bcptickets@live.co.uk - Call - 07305 632 513

*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.*

VACANCIES IN THE DIOCESE

CATHOLIC ACADEMY TRUST (CAT) FOUNDATION DIRECTORS: We are recruiting additional volunteer Directors for our Diocesan CAT Boards with skills in: Catholic Life & Mission, change management, organisational growth, finance, marketing, PR, educational leadership, secondary school improvement, SEND. You would be required to attend and be involved in board meetings throughout the academic year. If you are interested, please email education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk to speak with Mgr. Paul Grogan, Episcopal Vicar for Education or Kieron Flood, Director of Education.

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Parish Priest – Very Rev Eamonn Hegarty (VF)

Postal Address - St Mary's Presbytery, Cross Bank Road, Batley, WF17 8PQ

Parish Priest Email Address - eamonn.hegarty@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Telephone Number - (01924) 474650

Parish Administrator - Michelle Anderson - (01924) 474650

Office Email Address - office.stmaryandstpatrick@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

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.

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

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-a-long, 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

Poster attached

LEEDS PAX CHRISTI PRAYER SERVICE: Leeds Pax Christi is organising an Ash Wednesday Prayer Service outside Holy Trinity Church on Boar Lane on 5 March, 12.30pm. We urge repentance for those involved in nuclear war preparations and pray that we all have the courage to say yes to peace no to war. All are welcome. For more information contact Carol 07707061115.

Diocesan notice

RITE OF ELECTION: The Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion will take place on the 1st Sunday of Lent, 9 March at 2:30pm, Leeds Cathedral. Those preparing for the Sacraments of Christian Initiation, those to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church or who are to complete their Initiation through the Sacrament of Confirmation please make a note of the date. All welcome. Please pray for those preparing to receive the Sacraments at Easter.

New notice – poster attached

DEMENTIA FRIENDS ONLINE TRAINING: Leeds Diocese older people's charity **Growing Old Gracefully** and **Age Friendly Leeds** are offering free online training for people in the Diocese to learn how to become Dementia Friends. The two identical sessions are Monday 10 March 2:30 – 3:30 pm and Tuesday 29 April, 7:00 – 8:00pm. To book at place on either session email growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Amended notice - Poster attached

OUR LADY OF KIRKSTALL PARISH LENTEN MISSION: Save the Date Mon 10th-Wed 12th March 2025. "Come, blessed of my Father!" Led by Sr Briege McKenna & Fr Pablo Escriva de Romani. This 3-day Mission is an opportunity to renew our faith and draw closer to Jesus. Sr Briege & Fr Pablo are known for their ministry of healing, preaching and have seen many miracles! For more information please visit <https://ourladyofkirkstall.org.uk/> The session will be free of charge, but booking is essential: <https://OLKParishMission2025.eventbrite.com>

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.

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

New Diocesan notice

CONSIDER TEACHING IN CATHOLIC EDUCATION: Are you a Catholic teacher or headteacher working outside the Catholic sector? If so, would you consider applying for a job in one of our diocesan schools? Diocesan Director of Education Kieron Flood will be hosting an on-line briefing for all those who are interested on Tuesday 25 March from 6-7pm. To book your place, please email Emma: education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Diocesan notice

CHRISM MASS: The annual Chrism Mass will take place on Wednesday of Holy Week (16 April) at Leeds Cathedral at 11:00am. The sacred oils of Chrism, Catechumens and the Sick, used throughout the Diocese, will be blessed at the annual celebration. Our priests will also renew their priestly promises. All welcome to attend.

Diocesan notice

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: Fri 4 - Thurs 10 July 2025. Bookings are now open. The theme is 'With Mary, Pilgrims of Hope', to coincide with the Jubilee Year of Hope. The Jubilee is a major celebration in which pilgrims are invited to immerse themselves in God's infinite mercy. Early booking strongly recommended. In anticipation of higher than usual numbers, transfers will be offered to and from Stansted Airport once the Leeds flight is full. Please book via the Tangney website or by phone directly with Tangney Tours. Further information is available on the Diocesan website.

OTHER NOTICES

New Caritas Notice

CARITAS TOOLKIT RESOURCE: Caritas Leeds is proud to be launching its Caritas Toolkit resource. This has been created to give you ideas of initiatives you can run in your parish and advice on how to do this. For those groups who complete all the necessary requirements, they will become members of Caritas Leeds thereby bringing a sense of identity and a feeling of belonging to the Diocese of Leeds. More details at <https://cdn-catholiccare.b-cdn.net/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/Caritas-Leeds-Toolkit.pdf>

Diocesan notice

RECRUITMENT OF LAY TRUSTEES: Applications are welcomed for the role of Trustee from Catholic lay faithful to enrich the diversity of the Board's membership. Additionally, the Diocese are seeking to expand the committee structure of the Trustees and would welcome applications for membership of those committees as well. Please see the Diocesan website for more details and how to apply.

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