

PARISH NEWSLETTER NOTICES

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

DIOCESAN WEBSITE TECHNICAL ISSUES: We are aware that some of the website pages are down owing to technical issues. Work is ongoing to resolve this ASAP. Please expect reduced service on the main site for some days. Thanks for your patience!

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.

PIANO RECITAL AT ST AUGUSTINE'S: by Ukrainian pianist Nadia Dotsiak. 6.30pm, 23 April 2025. FREE admission. ALL welcome!

MEET THE PILGRIMS: All pilgrims joining the Diocesan Lourdes pilgrimage are welcome to attend a coffee and biscuits afternoon at Hinsley Hall. This is a great opportunity to meet the team and fellow pilgrims. Nurses and doctors will be available to answer any questions you may have. Sunday 27 April, 2-4pm, Hinsley Hall.

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. Tuesday 29 April, 7 – 8pm.

To book email growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

LIVE SIMPLY - CARE DEEPLY: All are welcome to this event to inspire renewal of your parish through living more simply, sustainably, and in solidarity with those experiencing poverty in this Jubilee year. Saturday May 3 Wheeler Hall, 10.30am-3.30pm. www.leedsjp.org.uk

DOORWAYS OF HOPE - ONLINE EVENTS: Leeds Diocese older people's charity Growing Old Gracefully is hosting a programme of 3 hour-long online events on the theme of hope, to be led by Paula Shanks and Mgr. Donal Lucey. Wednesday May 14 (evening) and Thursday July 10 (evening).

More information/booking, email growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

CELEBRATION OF MARRIED LIFE: Celebration Mass for Married Life for couples and their families celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 70th wedding anniversaries this year. There will be an opportunity for couples to renew their marriage vows. If you are celebrating the anniversary of your wedding and you would like to take part, please fill out the application form which is available at the back of church. Saturday 17 May, Leeds Cathedral, 12Noon.

'SPIRITUALITY OF CREATION' RETREAT WEEKEND: 23 – 25 May, The Briery, Ilkley. Led by Margaret Siberry and the Begin with the Heart team, this retreat aims to deepen our understanding of the spirituality of creation, from early scriptures, through the wisdom of the mystics to the spiritual writers and teachers of today. £215pp fully inclusive (£85 non-residential) For more information or to book, contact the Administrator on 01943 607287 admin@briery.org.uk.

PRO-LIFE PILGRIMAGE TO CARFIN GROTTO, SCOTLAND: Pilgrimage to Carfin Grotto on Friday 30th - Saturday 31st May 2025. Leaving Friday morning and returning Saturday evening. Limited spaces. Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and transport, approx. £100 per person sharing a room or £150 for a single room. Lunch not included. Please contact Kate on 07505 76 74 15 for further details.

MARRIAGE HELP: Retrouvaille helps couples find hope and healing for their marriage. Next date: 20-22 June www.retrouvaille.org.uk Tel: 0788 7296983.

WEBELIEVE FESTIVAL OF CATHOLIC LIFE: 25-28 July 2025, celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope, with parishes and families in mind. Four days of music, keynotes, conversation & worship, in the beautiful surroundings of St Mary's College, Oscott. Featuring Dr Gianna Emanuela Molla (daughter of St Gianna Molla), Fr Paul Murray, Mgr Michael Nazir-Ali, AnMari, Fr Toby Lees & many more. Early Bird Tickets available now at www.webelievefestival.com

OTHER NOTICES

THE TWELVE – SURVEY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE: The Twelve, the Diocesan Youth Leadership Team, are currently researching the engagement of young people within their parish and have put together a survey to hear from as many young people as possible! The research includes roles that young people undertake, training opportunities, and general ideas for further engagement of young people in the parish. Access the survey by scanning the QR code poster at the back of church, or at <https://forms.gle/5oitYhZDhi6E5q19A>.

LTU 'BEYOND THE DARK CLOUDS' LECTURE SERIES: Support the university, with its Catholic roots, to have a voice in the public square about justice, law-enforcement, the nature of education, business ethics, spirituality, leadership, contemplation and the arts. Everyone welcome to participate in these discussions about how to humanise our world and to bring about the conditions that enable the flourishing of all people. More information/booking, contact a.mealey@leedstrinity.ac.uk Talks also available on Spotify.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL ACTION: The Committee Stage of the Assisted Suicide Bill has ended. The Bill is now weaker and less safe than it was before. 300+ amendments that sought to strengthen safeguards in the Bill and protect vulnerable groups were rejected by Bill supporters, including protection for people with disabilities and domestic abuse victims. The next reading of the Bill is Friday 25 April. Please take action - collect a postcard and post it to your MP today!

VACANCIES

CATHOLIC CARE RESIDENTIAL CHILDCARE SUPPORT WORKER VACANCY: Salary: £28,265 – £29,674 plus 'sleep-in' payment, pension and other benefits. Eight sleep-ins per month will add approximately £4,000 to annual salary. Post: Permanent. Full Time. Location: Keighley Closing Date: 23 May 2025. Please contact hr@catholic-care.org.uk for an application form.

CATHOLIC CARE SENIOR RESIDENTIAL CHILDCARE WORKER VACANCY: Salary: £30,163 – £31,668 pension and other benefits. Post: Permanent. Full Time. Role involves some overnight 'sleep-ins'. Eight sleep-ins per month will add approximately £4000 to your annual salary. Location: Keighley Closing Date: Until the position is filled Interview Date: Flexible to suit candidate please contact hr@catholic-care.org.uk for an application form.

FOUNDATION GOVERNORS VACANCIES: Notre Dame Catholic Sixth Form College is looking to appoint two more Foundation Governors. We welcome applications from all parishioners but if you have financial expertise that would be an added bonus.

Further information about the role contact Denise Hark, d.hark@notredamecoll.ac.uk.

For an application form contact education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk.

TEACHER OF MATHS VACANCY: St. Mary's, Menston, Start: September 2025. Closing date: Tuesday, 22 April 2025. Further info: bishopwheelercatholicacademytrust.org To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Jo-Anne Hughes, ja.hughes@stmarysmenston.org

TEACHER OF ECONOMICS 0.4FTE VACANCY: St. Mary's, Menston, Start: September 2025. Closing date: Tuesday, 22 April 2025. Further info: bishopwheelercatholicacademytrust.org To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Jo-Anne Hughes, ja.hughes@stmarysmenston.org

ASSISTANT HEAD OF DEPARTMENT VACANCY: PTE (Philosophy, Theology and Ethics - Core RE), Notre Dame Catholic Sixth Form College, Leeds. Start: ASAP. Closing date: Monday, 28 April 2025. For further info please visit; www.notredamecoll.ac.uk/vacancies

To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Vicky Winterburn, v.winterburn@notredamecoll.ac.uk

TEACHER OF PTE (PHILOSOPHY, THEOLOGY AND ETHICS - CORE RE) VACANCY: Notre Dame Catholic Sixth Form College, Leeds. Start: 27 August 2025. Closing date: Wednesday, 30 April 2025. For further info: please visit; www.notredamecoll.ac.uk/vacancies

To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Vicky Winterburn, v.winterburn@notredamecoll.ac.uk