



**The Parishes of
Cleckheaton & Heckmondwike**
**Serving the Churches of Our Lady of
Unfailing Help & St. Paul of the Cross,
Cleckheaton
& The Holy Spirit, Heckmondwike.**



	The Church of Our Lady of Unfailing Help & St. Paul of the Cross	The Church of The Holy Spirit
Saturday 15/08	6.30 pm People of the Parish <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>	4.30 pm Thanksgiving (Koprowski) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>
Sunday 16/08 <i>The Assumption of BVM</i>	11.30 am Enda Hayble (A) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>	9.30 am Catherine Taylor (A) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>
Monday 17/08	9.30 am Kacprzak Family Intentions <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>	No Mass
Tuesday 18/08	No Mass	9.45 am Mary Fisher (A) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>
Wednesday 19/08 <i>St. John Eudes</i>	10.15 am Special Intention (MS) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>	No Mass
Thursday 20/08 <i>St. Bernard</i>	10.15 am Diamond Wedding Thanksgiving (M & P Higgins) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>	No Mass
Friday 21/08 <i>Pope St. Pius X</i>	No Mass	9.45 am Easter & Christian Unity <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i> 1.00 pm <i>Wedding Service of Charlotte Carr & Robert Miller (Invited Congregation Only)</i>
Saturday 22/08 <i>The Queenship of the BVM</i>	12 noon Dead List 2019 <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i> 6.30 pm Joyce Gibbons (A) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>	4.30 pm People of the Parish <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>
Sunday 23/08 <i>21st Sunday (A)</i>	11.30 am Eileen Wood (LD) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>	9.30 am Malcolm Wilson (LD) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>

Important websites which are up-dated frequently: cbcew.org.uk holyspiritheckmondwike.co.uk
stpaulscleckheaton.wordpress.com dioceseofleeds.org.uk GOV.UK (Coronavirus (COVID-19))

We pray for those whom God has called back to Himself: Betty Hammond & Canon Philip Fitzgerald
(Retired P.P. of St. Joseph's, Brighouse)

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time including: Mary Fisher, Catherine Taylor & Enda Hayble

The sick and those caring for them; we recall especially: Susan Smith, Agnes Clark, Margaret Crowther,
Billy Forde, Carole Morris, David Oldroyd, Katie Gallagher-Peel, John Byrne, & Baby Myles Wood

Please give any names of those with anniversaries occurring to Fr. Nicholas for inclusion on the Newsletter & Prayers of the Faithful a couple of weeks before the actual anniversary date. Thank you !

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Parish Safeguarding Representative: Mary Letham 01924—401579 (Diocesan Coordinator: 07515 598523)

The Feast of the Assumption of the B.V.M.

Parish Mass Book Page: (Texts for Mass Page: 7ff.)

Weekend 15th/16th August 2020

See the Universalis App on our websites for Sunday/Daily Readings

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions: For the Family of Kami (Recently Bereaved) (St. Paul's) & For the Intentions of Parishioners (Holy Spirit): If you would like a Sanctuary Lamp to be lit for an intention please write the name of the intention on an envelope (containing a payment of £3) & place it in the Collection Baskets when you come to Mass or through either Presbytery Letterbox. Thank you.

Divine Office Psalter: Week 4

Mass Intentions Received: Clare Collins (LD), John Lord (LD), Eileen Wood (LD), Diamond Wedding Thanksgiving (M & P Higgins)

Streamed Daily & Sunday Masses from Leeds Cathedral. Each **Weekday at 12.30 am** & each **Sunday at 11.00 am**

Holy Mass is available on: www.leedscathedrallive.org.uk or <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/cathedral>
Holy Mass from Walsingham (12 noon each day) or viewed later on: <https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream>

& Mass is available on the EWTN TV channel: <https://www.ewtn.com/>

The Holy Father's Daily Mass (celebrated with English translation) is found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxIsefy19g9A5SGWA4FvGIA/featured>

Mass & Rosary from Lourdes: www.lourdes-france.org/en/tv-lourdes or www.directfrom Lourdes.com

The Re-Opening of our Churches. (a) It is good to continue to offer a welcome at our celebrations of Holy Mass to increasing numbers of parishioners. Our attempts to keep everyone safe makes the experience different from what we think of as 'normal.' As **The Obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended** Catholics are asked to think carefully about their return to Mass, with an option being to attend a weekday Mass, easing the pressure of numbers for Sundays. Numbers inside our buildings are limited (the minimum number i.e. based someone attending Mass alone is: **20 at Holy Spirit & 17 at St. Paul's 17** (plus **14 places for individuals**). These figures increase with family units sitting together & are based on a social distance of 2 meters. (b) **Weddings & Funerals.** These are now taking place in our churches with social distancing & numbers of attendees not exceeding 30. (c) **Stewards.** If you can help (& are not in / living with anyone in a vulnerable category i.e. 70+) please contact Fr. Nicholas ASAP. (d) **Registration of Intention of Attend Mass.** To comply with government requirements & to assist with the NHS Test & Trace those attending BOTH weekday & weekend Masses will be asked to supply their name & a contact number. Aiding this is the ability **to book seats on-line** via either of our websites. Aware that not everyone has access to the internet a number of seats in both churches may be booked by telephone. To do this please contact Fr. Nicholas & if you leave a message on the answer-machine please give your 'phone number twice so that an accurate record may be kept for the NHS Test & Trace. In light of the arrangements in place to make our church Covid-secure it is important that ALL parishioners **arrive at church in plenty of time & not at the last minute!** (e) **Assisting Parents / Relatives Return to Church.** With an increasingly mature congregation it is important that those who feel unsure about returning to Mass & our churches, which have probably been a large part of their lives & social network, feel confident to do so. An appeal is made to their family members to accompany them in the first instance to assist with the rebuilding of their confidence. Children, of whatever age, have a duty of care to their parents, which also includes a concern for their spiritual lives. (f) **Sacred Times.** Those not yet attending Mass are encouraged to join our faith communities in prayer at the time Masses are being celebrated benefitting from the Spiritual Communion of the Liturgical Act being offered in our churches. A prayer that may help you benefit from Spiritual Communion is the Prayer of St. Alphonsus: *My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.*

Congratulations & all very best wishes to Margaret & Peter Higgins (Cleckheaton) who celebrate their Diamond (60th) Wedding Anniversary on Thursday 20th August 2020. Ad multos annos !

Parish Social Spaces. The current advice from the Diocese Health & Safety Officer is that our Social Spaces are to remain closed for the time being. **Mass Intentions.** These may be handed-in via the Collection Baskets or through either Presbytery letterbox. Mass Cards maybe obtained by prior arrangement with Fr. Nicholas.

Dial-A-Mass. A weekly Sunday Mass from Middlesbrough Cathedral is being recorded for the benefit of those without the internet. It can be listened to at anytime on 01642—130120 (charged at your usual rate).

Bingo! Enjoy a game of Bingo with parishioners on Zoom (Sunday at 12.30 pm) please contact Emma (077 621 124 16)

First Holy Communion / Reconciliation. The parents of children in Years 4 & 5 (from September) at Holy Spirit School will be invited to a meeting in the early weeks of the new academic year to discuss plans to celebrate these Sacraments.

Sick Visits. Currently Fr. Nicholas can only undertake **emergency** & **urgent** house-calls at the request of families.

Finances. Presently our churches are each losing an income of approx. £1,000 per month owing to the lack of the weekly Loose Collection (i.e. contributed by parishioners without envelopes). To help make contributions easier to make we now have **Text Giving** through which it is possible to make a contribution of £5.00 to our Parish collections by Text Giving; simply text CHURCH HEC to 70500 (for Holy Spirit) or text CHURCH CLEC to 70500 (for St. Paul's). There is also a Donate Button on our webpage for direct giving. **VJ Day Commemoration.** Due to localised restrictions the event planned in Cleckheaton to commemorate VJ Day on Saturday was cancelled. An article entitled VJ Day 75 is currently on the Diocesan Web site (under "News & Events") to which Fr. Nicholas has contributed.

Newsletter. (a) Please print-off a copy of the Newsletter for neighbours & post it in their letterbox if they are not able to access the internet. (b) Alternatively if you receive a Newsletter from a neighbour but have children or grandchildren with internet access they might be able to download & print-off a copy for you; it's a way of keeping faith & church in their lives!