



**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 12/09	6.30 pm Mavis & John Edwards <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>	4.30 pm Bryan Pollard (LD) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>
Sunday 13/09 <i>24th Sunday (A)</i>	11.30 am People of the Parish <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>	9.30 am John Lord (LD) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>
Monday 14/09 <i>Exultation of the Cross</i>	9.30 am Dead List 2019 <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>	No Mass
Tuesday 15/09 <i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i>	No Mass	9.45 am Florence Rose Bloomfield (LD) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>
Wednesday 16/09 <i>Ss. Cornelius & Cyprian</i>	10.15 am Eileen Wood (LD) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>	No Mass
Thursday 17/09 <i>St. Robert Bellarmine</i>	10.15 am Thanksgiving (Higgins) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>	12.15 pm Easter & Christian Unity <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>
Friday 18/09	No Mass	9.45 am Fr. Michael Sullivan (B'day A) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>
Saturday 19/09 <i>St. Theodore of Canterbury</i>	12 noon Dead List 2019 <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i> 6.30 pm People of the Parish <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>	4.30 pm Peter Badley (LD) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>
Sunday 20/09 <i>25th Sunday (A)</i>	11.30 am Amanda Robertson (A) <i>(Socially Distanced Congregation)</i>	9.30 am Thanksgiving for Recovery (EH) <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: Wasyl Hawrylyzyn & Fr. Lawrie Lister (Retired Priest of the Diocese of Leeds, latterly P.P. of St Cuthbert's, Bradford)

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time including: Amanda Robertson

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, Doreen Summerscales, Nellie Dipper, & 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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The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Weekend 12th/13th September 2020

Parish Mass Book Page: (Texts for Mass Page: 7ff.)
See the Universalis App on our websites for Sunday/Daily Read-

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions: *For the Intentions of The Crossland Family (St. Paul's) & No Intention (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: Richard Gannon (A), Peter Badley (LD), Thanksgiving (Higgins), Barbara Ryan (A) X3, Mass of Healing (B) X2

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>

Finances. Despite highlighting the fact that 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 Collection Envelopes or Standing Orders), not to mention our social activities, the shortfall is sadly not being made up by donations to either church through the use of Text-Giving or any other contribution. Therefore an APPEAL is being made to those who DO NOT use either a Standing Order or Collection Envelopes to take out a monthly Standing Order in favour of church funds. The price of a Lottery ticket (£2) per week would help greatly. If you feel able to help in this way please contact Fr. Nicholas directly either by 'phone or e-mail. Despite a reduction in running costs we still have on-going financial obligations to meet.

The Re-Opening of our Churches. (a) Our churches have now been open for 11 weekends & it continues to be good to be able to welcome parishioners back to Holy Mass in environments which we aim to keep as safe as possible. As The Obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended parishioners are asked to think carefully about their return, with an option being to attend a weekday Mass. 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) **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. It is also possible **to book seats on-line** on either of our websites. A number of seats in both churches may also 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 (1) arrive at church in plenty of time & (2) If you have booked a place on-line & are unable to attend please cancel the on-line booking to allow someone else to take your place, especially as places are limited.

N.B. Some parishioners are slipping into old habits of arriving just in time for Mass, this is delaying the starting time as Fr. Nicholas, who assists the Steward on duty, has to prepare himself once in the sacristy area i.e. sanitise & vest.

Weddings & Funerals. The attendance at these occasions is not to exceed 30. **Stewards.** The willingness of voluntary stewards to assist with the arrival of parishioners at Mass & also to clean church on their departure is vital to keeping our church doors open. However numbers are few! If you can help (& are not in / living with anyone in a vulnerable category i.e. 70+) please contact Fr. Nicholas ASAP. **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.*

Mass Intentions. These may be handed-in via the Collection Baskets or through either Presbytery letterbox. Mass Cards may be obtained by prior arrangement with Fr. Nicholas.

Dial-A-Mass. A weekly Sunday Mass can be listened to at anytime on 01642—130120 (charged at your usual rate).

First Holy Communion / Reconciliation. A meeting for parents of children in the current Year 5 at Holy Spirit School who have been prepared for 1st Holy Communion will be held in Holy Spirit Church THIS Thursday 17th September at 6.00 pm. One parent / carer for each child only, please, & bring a face-covering! Thank you.

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

Text Giving Makes it possible to make a contribution of £5.00 to our Parish collections by simply texting CHURCH HEC to 70500 (for Holy Spirit) or texting CHURCH CLEC to 70500 (for St. Paul's). There is also a Donate Button on our webpages for direct giving.

Holy Spirit Catholic Primary School. If your child was born between 01.09.2016-31.08.2017 you now need to register them for a place in a Reception Class at primary school. We would love to welcome you to our Catholic primary school which serves the communities of both Heckmondwike & Cleckheaton. The closing date for registration is 15th January 2021. You need to apply on-line at www.kirklees.gov.uk/admissions & you must also complete an addition **Governors Supplementary Admissions Form** (available from the school office or downloaded from our website). This is the only form that asks for details of your faith-tradition & therefore enables us to give priority to baptised Catholic applicants. Baptismal Certificates are also required. For any further details please contact Holy Spirit School 01924—400820.

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!