



**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 12/12 <i>3rd Sunday of Advent (B) Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday</i>	6.30 pm Bridget Daly (LD)	4.30 pm Thomas Barrett
Sunday 13/12	11.30 am Patricia McGivern (LD)	9.30 am People of the Parish
Monday 14/12 <i>St. John of the Cross</i>	9.30 am The Newman Burke Family Intentions	No Mass
Tuesday 15/12	No Mass	9.45 am James Kelly (A)
Wednesday 16/12	10.15 am Peter Lemon	No Mass
Thursday 17/12	10.15 am Dead List 2019	12.15 pm Thanksgiving Holy Spirit School
Friday 18/12 <i>Pope St. Damasus I</i>	No Mass	9.45 am Thanksgiving (V&PW)
Saturday 19/12	12 noon Dorothy Hird 6.30 pm People of the Parish	4.30 pm Mary Gillard (LD)
Sunday 20/12 <i>4th Sunday of Advent (B)</i>	11.30 am Clare (LD) & Peter Collins	9.30 am Doreen Summerscales (LD)

Important websites which are up-dated frequently: cbcwv.org.uk holyspiritheckmondwike.co.uk
 stpaulscleckheaton.wordpress.com dioceseofleeds.org.uk GOV.UK (Coronavirus (COVID-19))
Dial-A-Mass. A weekly Sunday Mass can be listened to at anytime on 01642—130120 (charged local rate)

We pray for those whom God has called back to Himself: Bernard Talbot, Brian Montgomery & Wojciech Chrzan

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time including: Victor Smith & James Kelly

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, Nellie Dipper, Roger Meehan, Nora Naughton, Michael McAuley, Violet Beevers & 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 Third Sunday of Advent (B) Parish Mass Book Page: (Texts for Mass Page: 7ff.)
Weekend 12th / 13th December 2020 See the Universalis App on our websites for Sunday/Daily Readings

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions: *The Minich & Reid Family Intentions (St. Paul's) & In Memory of John & Bridget Summerscales (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 3 **Mass Intentions Received:** Chris McLaughlin (A), Doreen Summerscales (LD), Mavis & Bill Henry, Recently Deceased (J), John Henry (LD), Special Int. ((McW), Special Int. (B&HC), Robert Brook (A), Terence Brehan, Patrick Sharry (B'day A), Bernard Talbot (LD) (Dead List Masses have also been received)

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 Our Lady's Shrine at Walsingham can be watched live (12 non each day) or viewed later on <https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream>

The Re-opening of our Churches. Covid-19 remains a real threat to us all & we have a collective responsibility to care for ourselves & one another. Sadly the virus has claimed the lives of parishioners, left others gravely ill & has been contracted by others in varying strengths. We must remain vigilant & this involves us all. Therefore some changes have been made in regard to the precautions that we have in place to ensure parishioners can gather in our Covid-safe churches. These will affect all Masses & are as follows:-

(a) The Church Porch will be where Parishioners will be asked for their name / phone number etc. Only ONE household will be able to stand in the Church Porch at a time. Everyone else must queue (at a social distance of 2 meters) outside.

(b) Hand-Sanitisation must be done by everyone entering our churches.

(c) Parishioners are asked to sit where directed by our volunteer Stewards. (At St. Paul's this will also include the use of the chairs at the far end of pews).

(d) For weekend Masses: ALL parishioners are expected to be **seated in church by 25 minutes past the hour** i.e. 5 minutes before Mass begins in order for everyone to spiritually prepare for Mass (including Stewards & Fr. Nicholas). Booked seats **WILL NOT** be reserved beyond 20 minutes past the hour.

Christmas Masses. Our Christmas Eve / Day Mass times will be the same as our weekend Mass times i.e. 4.30 pm (Holy Spirit), 6.30 pm (St. Paul's), 9.30 am (Holy Spirit) & 11.30 am (St. Paul's) in addition to which a Midnight Mass (at Midnight !) will be celebrated at St. Paul's. (a) In order to avoid having to turn people away from our churches **ALL seats must be booked on-line or by telephone.** (b) The Bishop has suggested that parishioners attend just ONE Mass over the Christmas weekend i.e. from Christmas Eve—Sunday 27th December to allow as many people as possible to come along to Mass in churches that have reduced capacity. **Christmas Readers.** If you can help with this Ministry please contact Catherine (Holy Spirit) or Loretta (St. Paul's). **Spiritual Communion.** If you are still unable to come to Mass in person please join us through a time of prayer at home. A prayer to 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.*** **Carols On-line.** This Advent we were due to host a Christmas Concert by "Chordiality". This is now in the diary for next year ! However, "Chordiality" have recorded a special on-line broadcast of Carols for you to enjoy at home. It is available on their website: www.chordiality.com or at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IVhogKY_020

Funerals. The number attending a church Funeral is **not to exceed 30.** All attendees must be invited by the family. At Dewsbury Moor Crematorium the number of attendees has risen to 12.

Stewards. More stewards are required to meet our safety needs ! If you can help please contact Fr. Nicholas ASAP.

Financial Appeal. An **Appeal** is being made to parishioners who have not returned to church (& who **do not** use either Collection Envelopes or a Standing Order) are being invited to financially support our churches by taking out a Standing Order which can be downloaded from either of our websites. Please complete as directed & return to Fr. Nicholas.

Thank you to those parishioners who faithfully deliver their Envelopes to our Presbyteries. Your generosity is very much appreciated at this difficult time & helps to support our Parish, School & Diocesan family.

Dead List 2020. The Parish Dead List remains open. Kindly leave Envelopes through either Presbytery letterbox.

Holy Spirit Primary School Admissions Consultation. A consultation process is taking place in regard to the defined Catholic school catchment areas for pupils from the Cleckheaton area. Please visit the following website for further details / information: holyspiritprimary.co.uk/new-admissions-consultations-202223

A Carol Service. A live Carol Service marking the 150th Anniversary of the Dedication of St. Mary's Church, Batley, will be broadcast on Sunday 20th December at 3.00 pm on: <https://www.stmarybatley>

Mass Intentions. These may be handed-in via either Presbytery letterbox. Mass Cards are obtainable by request.

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

Text Giving Makes it possible to contribute £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). A Donate Button on our webpages allows direct giving.

Holy Spirit Catholic Primary School Governors. Currently we are seeking Governors with skills in Education, HR or with a Legal background. For further information please speak with Mr. John Cooper (Head) 01924—400820.

Holy Spirit Catholic Primary School. Parents of children born between 01.09.2016-31.08.2017 now need to register them for a Reception Class place at Holy Spirit Primary School. The closing date for registration is **15th January 2021.** You need to apply on-line at www.kirklees.gov.uk/admissions & an additional **Governors Supplementary Admissions Form** (available from the school office) must also be completed. Further details from Holy Spirit School 01924—400820.