



**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 05/12 <i>2nd Sunday of Advent (B)</i>	6.30 pm Special Intention (KD)	4.30 pm George Mitchell (A)
Sunday 06/12	11.30 am People of the Parish	9.30 am Margaret McLaughlin (B'day A)
Monday 07/12 <i>St. Ambrose</i>	9.30 am Martin Fleming (B'day A)	No Mass
Tuesday 08/12 <i>The Immaculate Conception of BVM</i>	11.00 pm <i>Funeral Service for the repose of the soul of Michael Morley (Batley Cemetery) (Invited Congregation Only)</i>	9.45 am Thanksgiving (Koprowski)
Wednesday 09/12	10.15 am Private Intention (ANB) 12.30 pm <i>Funeral Service for the repose of the soul of Marlene Diskin (Invited Congregation Only)</i>	No Mass
Thursday 10/12	10.15 am Trevor Jowett (60th WA)	12.15 pm Leszek Socha
Friday 11/12 <i>Pope St. Damasus I</i>	No Mass	9.45 am Patricia Hutton (A)
Saturday 12/12	12 noon Dead List 2019 6.30 pm Bridget Daly (LD)	4.30 pm Thomas Barrett
Sunday 13/12 <i>3rd Sunday of Advent (B)</i>	11.30 am Patricia McGivern	9.30 am People of the Parish

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: Marlene Diskin & Michael Morley
And those whose anniversaries occur at this time including: Fr. Thomas Parkin
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, Bernard Talbot & 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 Second Sunday of Advent (B) Parish Mass Book Page: (Texts for Mass Page: 7ff.)
Weekend 5th / 6th December 2020 See the Universalis App on our websites for Sunday/Daily Readings

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions: *The Crossland Family Intentions (St. Paul's) & In Memory of Margaret McLaughlin (B'day A) (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 2 **Mass Intentions Received:** Martin Fleming (B'day A), Mary Gillard (LD) X2, John Henry (LD), Dennis, Michael & Mark Ormondroyd, Peter Lemon, Vera (A) & Ted Tidmarsh (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 with the re-opening of our churches some changes are being made in regard to the precautions that we make to ensure parishioners can gather in Covid-safe buildings. 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. The times of our Christmas Eve / Day Masses will be the same as our normal 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 it is proposed that **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. By doing so you will be sharing in the Spiritual Communion of the Mass being celebrated in our churches at a particular time. 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.***

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 is now 12.

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

Financial Appeal. 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. This can be done by downloading a Standing Order mandate from either of our websites, completing it as directed, & returning it to Fr. Nicholas. This **Appeal** is made in light of the fact that each of our churches is losing an estimated income of at least £1000 per month. **Thank you** to our 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.

Piety Stalls. Christmas cards & 2021 Diaries are now available from both our church Piety Stalls.

Collection/Delivery Service. A team of parishioners has kindly offered to collect & deliver Christmas cards in Heckmondwike. To avail of this contact Peter Moreland (01924—501774) by NEXT weekend (12th/13th December).

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

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

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. If your child was born between 01.09.2016-31.08.2017 you now need to register them for a place in the Reception Class 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 & you must also complete an additional **Governors Supplementary Admissions Form** (available from the school office or downloaded from our website). For further details please contact Holy Spirit School 01924—400820.