



**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 22/01	6.30 pm Andy Gannon (A)	4.30 pm Mark Pettifer (A)
Sunday 23/01 3rd Sunday (C)	11.30 am People of the Parish	9.30 am Dead List 2021
Monday 24/01 St. Frances de Sales	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday 25/01 The Conversion of St. Paul	No Mass	9.45 am Katie Moran (A)
Wednesday 26/01 Ss. Timothy & Titus	10.15 am Peter Butler (LD)	No Mass
Thursday 27/01	10.15 am Vera & Ted Tidmarsh	2.15 pm Holy Souls in Purgatory (Year 4 Mass in Church)
Friday 28/01 St. Thomas Aquinas	No Mass	9.45 am Bridget (A) & James Kelly
Saturday 29/01 St. Vincent	12 noon Dead List 2021 6.30 pm Mick Gannon (A)	4.30 pm People of the Parish
Sunday 30/01 4th Sunday (C)	11.30 am Special Intention (JG)	9.30 am Neil Hollington

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 recently: Maria Richardson, Richard Lumb, & Eileen Haywood
And those whose anniversaries occur at this time including: Mark Pettifer, Bridget Kelly, Andy Gannon, Mary Mitchell & Fr. William Kelly
The sick and those caring for them; we recall especially: Susan Smith, Agnes Clark, Margaret Crowther, Carole Morris, David Oldroyd, Katie Gallagher-Peel, John Byrne, Nellie Dipper, Nora Naughton, Michael McAuley, Patrick Hird, Mary Hobson, Margaret Lees, & Trevor Wood
Please give any names of those with anniversaries occurring to Fr. Nicholas for inclusion on the Newsletter & in the Prayers of the Faithful a couple of weeks before the actual anniversary date. Thank you !

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**3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time (C) Parish Mass Book Page: 130ff (Texts for Mass Page: 7ff.)
 Weekend 22nd / 23rd January 2022 See the Universalis App on our websites for Sunday/Daily Readings**

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions: *For the Intentions of the Kemp Family (St. Paul's) & For the Intentions of the Pettifer Family (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: Bridget (A) & James Kelly, Stanley (A) & Violet Beevers, The Koprowksi & Bass Family Intentions, Benedict Bass (A), Peggy Bowler (A) X2, Georgina McKenna (A), Peter Butler (LD) X2, Richard Lumb (LD), Robert Harland (A)

Streamed Daily & Sunday Masses from Leeds Cathedral. Each **Sunday at 11.00 am** Holy Mass is available on:

www.leedscathedrallive.org.uk or <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/cathedral>

Health & Safety. The Government announcement of the move to Plan B in England concerning steps to mitigate Covid-19 infections & reduce the risk of transmission stated that **"From Friday 10th December, face-coverings will become compulsory in most public indoor venues, such as places of worship."** Therefore all parishioners (unless exempt on health grounds) are kindly asked to wear a face covering when attending any Liturgical celebration in church.

We continue to (a) ask those entering our churches to Sanitise their Hands, (b) wear Facial Coverings when singing to reduce aerosol or droplet spread, (c) Ventilate buildings well & (d) maintain a good general standard of Cleaning in order to maintain safe environments in which to worship.

Second Collection. Many thanks to those who contributed so generously to the recent retiring collection taken for the benefit of the Diocesan Poor Missions Fund which raised £269.59 (Holy Spirit £157.69 & St. Paul's £111.90).

First Sacrament Preparation for Children in Non-Catholic Schools. Thank you to those parents who have submitted the names of children, in non-Catholic education, who are to be prepared for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist & Confirmation during the coming year. It is important that these children & their parents are regular church attendees & familiar with the Mass. There are numerous publications (available on web-sites) which will assist all our Catholic children to grow in familiarity & love of the Mass & the traditions of the Faith.

Crafting-Sewing Bees. The Crafting-Sewing Bees will meet again THIS Wednesday 26th January at 10.45 am in St. Paul's Hall, Cleckheaton. New faces are always welcome ! If you craft in your own home & would like to do so in the company of like-minded people over a coffee/tea, please come along.

Singing Group. The group will meet on Wednesday 2nd February (6—7.00 pm) in St. Paul's Church & in the spirit of the Feast of the Presentation (the last day of Christmastide) will sing favourite carols ... alas mince pies are not on offer !

Seating in Church. In response to a question about why chairs continue to remain in our churches: they remain present for those who wish to sit socially distanced from others during Mass, & at St. Paul's they also increase the church's seating capacity. In general it is important to recall that there is a variance in the social-confidence of those attending Mass, so it is appropriate to respect this, thereby providing a safe environment & a welcoming one for those returning.

Home Visits for Holy Communion. If parishioners would like to receive Holy Communion at home they are invited to make themselves known to Fr. Nicholas. The individual or a family member are asked to contact Fr. Nicholas directly. Prior to any visit Fr. Nicholas will take a Covid Test & observe protocols that already exist for residential / nursing homes.

Sacrament of Reconciliation. If you would like the Sacrament of Reconciliation please make an appointment with Fr. Nicholas. As the Reconciliation spaces in our churches are not adequately ventilated, other locations will be offered.

Text Giving It is 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.

Mary's Meals. Aware of the support given to Mary's Meals, particularly by parishioners in Heckmondwike, it is worth noting that donations made until 31st January 2022 will be doubled by a group of generous supporters up to £1.6m. For more information please visit: www.marysmeals.org.uk

Safeguarding. The Catholic Safeguarding Advisory Service have changed the DBS (Disclosure & Barring Service) rechecking requirements for those who hold ministries within Parish communities. It is now required that existing DBS certification be renewed every three years. Therefore those who currently hold a DBS within our parishes will be invited to renew them in the near future. There are a variety of options being considered by the Diocesan Safeguarding Office as to how this may be best carried out. Further details will be given when they are known.

Appreciation. As we journey into 2022 it is appropriate to acknowledge the fidelity of parishioners within our two church communities first & foremost to the observance of the Faith, whether that is in church or still at home, & to those who have in a variety of ways, often in different ways to what was the norm pre-pandemic, stepped-up to assume roles such as our church cleaners, Ministers of the Word, musicians & singers, & those who have humbly & with dignity been content to step away from more active roles (at least temporarily) as we've endeavoured to keep them safe & protected. To those who have offered hope by celebrating significant moments, although in different ways, & those who have delayed to give us something to look forwards to & the continued financial support which has allowed jobs to be done, plans to be made & bills paid, & the abiding positive spirit that, even when things go wrong, urge us onwards & upwards!

Forthcoming Funerals. (a) The Funeral Service of Richard Lumb will take place at St. Paul's Church, Cleckheaton on Thursday 3rd February at 10.00 am, prior to interment at Heckmondwike Cemetery; (b) The Requiem Mass of Eileen Haywood will be celebrated on Thursday 3rd February at 1.30 pm at Holy Spirit Church, Heckmondwike, prior to cremation at Dewsbury Moor Crematorium; (c) The Requiem Mass of Maria Richardson (nee Heslop) will be celebrated at St. Paul's Church, Cleckheaton on Wednesday 9th February at 1.15 pm, prior cremation at Rawdon Crematorium.