



**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 19/02	6.30 pm Mary Doocey (LD)	4.30 pm David (LD) & Mark Pettifer
Sunday 20/02 7th Sunday (C)	11.30 am People of the Parish	9.30 am The Koprowski & Bass Family Intentions (N.B. Baptism during Mass)
Monday 21/02 St. Peter Damian	9.30 am Private Intention	No Mass
Tuesday 22/02 The Chair of St. Peter	No Mass	9.45 am Colin Smith (B'day A)
Wednesday 23/02 St. Polycarp	10.15 am Peggy Bowler	No Mass
Thursday 24/02	11.30 am <i>Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of Margaret Lees</i>	2.15 pm Dead List 2021
Friday 25/02	No Mass	9.45 am Holy Souls in Purgatory
Saturday 24/02	12 noon Dead List 2021 6.30 pm Stephen Birks (LD) & Family	4.30 pm People of the Parish
Sunday 27/02 8th Sunday (C)	11.30 am Richard Lumb (LD)	9.30 am Michael Burke (LD)

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: Margaret Lees, David Pettifer & Edward Kwapich

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time including:

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

7th Sunday of Ordinary Time (C) Parish Mass Book Page: 142ff (Texts for Mass Page: 7ff.)

Weekend 19th / 20th February 2022 See the Universalis App on our websites for Sunday/Daily Readings

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions: *The Intentions of the Crossland Family (St. Paul's) & In Memory of Matthew Lynn (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 3

Mass Intentions Received: Dolores Moriarty (A), Margaret Lees (LD) X3, Special Intention (BJJK), Stephen Birks (LD) & Family, Eddie Gardner (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. Following the Government's ending of Plan B in England on Thursday 27th January the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales have issued guidelines for churches which include: (a) It remains good practice to Sanitise Hands on entry of church, (b) Whilst face coverings are no longer required by law in any setting, the Government guidance states that "Public Health Guidance will remain in place, suggesting individuals should continue to wear a face covering in crowded and enclosed spaces, where they may come into contact with people they do not normally meet." (c) Ventilate buildings well & (d) Maintain a good general standard of Cleaning in order to maintain safe environments in which to worship. (e) Anyone displaying symptoms of Covid-19 should stay at home & not participate in Acts of Worship in church. This is good practice for any transmissible illness.

Holy Spirit School—Job Vacancy. Our Primary School is seeking a Reception / Early Years Teacher (full-time/permanent; salary: MPR). Applications would be welcomed from experience teachers & ECTs with a strong track record & proven capacity for development & growth. The closing date for applications is Monday 28th February at 12 noon. "**Valiant Hearts**" Fr. Nicholas has recently compiled a 300+ page book detailing *Biographical sketches of some members of the Catholic communities of Heckmondwike & Cleckheaton who were casualties of The Great War*, together with further family members. A limited number of copies are available from Fr. Nicholas at a cost of £20.

First Sacrament Preparation for Children in Non-Catholic Schools. The fourth catechetical session for the children in non-Catholic education who are preparing for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist & Confirmation will take place after the half-term break on Friday 4th March at 5.45 pm in St. Paul's Church.

Leeds Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. On-line Booking Forms for the Pilgrimage (1st—7th July 2022) are available at: <https://www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/leeds-lourdes> 6 nights from £695 from Leeds/Bradford Airport.

Crafting-Sewing Bees. The Crafting-Sewing Bees will meet again THIS Wednesday 23rd February at 10.45 am in St. Paul's Hall, Cleckheaton. New faces are always welcome ! **N.B.** The Crafting-Sewing Bees will be holding an Easter-themed Coffee Morning on Saturday 19th March in St. Paul's Hall. Details shortly !

First Sacraments—Meeting with Parents. Thank you to the parents of children in Holy Spirit School preparing for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, Eucharist & Confirmation who attended our recent meetings. Attendance Cards will be distributed via School after the half-term break ensuring that our young people grow in familiarity & love of the Mass. Fr. Nicholas has written to the parents of children eligible for the Sacrament of Confirmation who did not attend Wednesday's meeting to encourage them to support their child through this important stage of sacramental growth.

Singing Group. The group will meet THIS Wednesday 23rd February (6—7.00 pm) in St. Paul's Church.

New Collection Envelopes. Boxes of envelopes for existing users (for 2022/23) will be available from NEXT weekend.

Ministers of the Word. Our Ministers are asked to continue the habit of being seated on the Sanctuary for their Ministry for both weekday & weekend Masses. More Ministers would be welcomed for our weekday celebrations of Holy Mass. If you can assist with this please speak with an existing weekday Minister of the Word or Fr. Nicholas.

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 exist in 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.

Synodal Listening Process. Following on from the meetings held in November as part of the process of preparation for the Synod of Bishops to be held in October 2023 a *verbatim* report of the submissions made during the listening sessions in our two parishes is available on our websites.

An Invitation to Volunteer with CAFOD. Could you spare a few hours a month to share your talents, experience & energy volunteering for CAFOD? To find out more, please contact Angela Powell apowell@cafod.org.uk or call 07779 804247. **N.B.** CAFOD's Lenten Family Fast Day will be held on Friday 11th March: collection envelopes will be available.

The Universe Catholic Weekly. The Universe has launched a new on-line newspaper; to order your digital 4 week free trial supply call Michelle on 0743 661 7650 or e-mail: michelle.jones@universecatholicweekly.co.uk

The Catholic Post. Copies of a new monthly national Catholic newspaper are available (free) as you leave church. The aim of the paper is to provide thoughtful articles & a Catholic perspective on the news stories of the day.

References. Fr. Nicholas is frequently asked to provide References for parishioners, especially those seeking employment in the Catholic education system. It would help enormously if when giving his name as a referee you could inform him of this, & also let him have a copy of your CV in order for the Reference to be accurate & up to date.