

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 21/01	6.30 pm Rachel Kilbourne (LD)	4.30 pm Mark Pettifer (A)
Sunday 22/01 3rd Sunday (A)	11.30 am For Prayers Answered (C&A)	9.30 am People of the Parish
Monday 23/01	9.30 am Birthday Thanksgiving (TBO'C)	No Mass
Tuesday 24/01 St. Francis de Sales	No Mass	9.45 am Maureen Lyons (LD) (9.15 am Exposition)
Wednesday 25/01 Conversion of St. Paul	10.15 am Thanksgiving (JJ) (9.45 am Exposition)	No Mass
Thursday 26/01 Ss. Timothy & Titus	10.15 am Vera & Ted Tidmarsh	2.15 pm Violet Beevers (Reception & Key Stage 1 Mass)
Friday 27/01 St. Angela Merici	No Mass	9.45 am Sick Person (MM)
Saturday 28/01 St. Thomas Aquinas	12 noon Dead List 2022 6.30 pm Alan Cooper (LD)	4.30 pm Special Intention (DG)
Sunday 29/01 4th Sunday (A)	11.30 am People of the Parish	9.30 am Catherine Hallinan (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) Dial-A-Mass. A weekly Sunday Mass can be listened to at anytime on 01642—130120 (charged at local rate)

We pray for those whom God has called back to Himself recently: Mavis Secker, John Rutherford, William MacKillop, Val Senior, Kathleen Issott & Fr. Gerald Creasey (Parish Priest of St. Paul's 1979—1988)

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Mark Pettifer

The sick and those caring for them; we recall especially: Margaret Crowther, David Oldroyd, John Byrne, Katie Gallagher-Peel, Nellie Dipper, Nora Naughton, Patrick Hird, Mary Hobson, David Hodgson, Marie Healey, Daisy Ann Morton, Pat Castlehouse, Harold & Barbara King

Please give any names of those with anniversaries occurring to Fr. Nicholas for inclusion on the Newsletter & in the Prayers of the Faithful a <u>couple</u> of weeks before the actual anniversary date. Thank you!

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Parish Safeguarding Representative: Patricia McLean 07842 911069 (Diocesan Coordinator: 07515 598523)

The 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time (A) Parish Mass Book Page: 127ff (Texts for Mass Page: 7ff.)
Weekend 21st / 22nd January 2023 See the Universalis App on our websites for Sunday/Daily Readings

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions: The Intentions of C & A Wilson (St. Paul's) & A Special Intention (M) (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: Sick Person (MM), Robert Harland (A), Valerie (Val) Senior (LD)X2, Bernard (Frank) Waring (A)X2, Special Intention (DG), Special Intention (C&A)X2, Michael Doran (A), Private Intention (ED)

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 finest guidance comes from the Lord Himself who said: "Love your neighbour as yourself" (Mark12:31) when it comes to the best health, safety & hygiene practices within our church families.

<u>St. Paul's 100 Club</u>. Subscriptions for the 100 Club will be collected for a final time THIS weekend. New members are very welcome to join as there are several spare numbers available. You've to be in it to win it!

<u>Holy Spirit 150 Club</u>. An open invitation for subscriptions to be made to re-establish the 150 Club at Holy Spirit remains. A letter may be collected from Fr. Nicholas. Please return the tear-off slip together with your remittance & place it (in an envelope marked 150 Club) in the basket provided no later than <u>Sunday 5th February</u>. Members may subscribe to more than one number.

welcome into God's Family, the church, Amelia Grace Brown, who received the Sacrament of Baptism last Saturday at St. Paul's.

<u>Singing Group.</u> The group will meet again THIS <u>Tuesday 24th January</u> at 6 pm in St. Paul's Church. <u>Crafting-Sewing Bees.</u> The Crafting-Sewing Bees will meet THIS <u>Wednesday 25th January</u> after morning Mass at St. Paul's. New faces, skills, ideas are welcome together with those who would simply enjoy a coffee / tea & a chat.

First Sacramental Preparation for Children in Non-Catholic Schools. The names & contact details of children in Non-Catholic education are now being sought in order to begin their Sacramental preparation in 2023. The details (i.e. names of both child & parents, child's date of birth, address, & contact telephone number) of Year 3+ (Reconciliation), Year 4+ (1st Holy Communion) & Year 6 (Confirmation) children may be given to Fr. Nicholas by THIS Sunday 22nd January.

Soup Lunch. Many thanks to all who supported the Soup Lunch held at St. Paul's on Wednesday & to those who kindly

assisted with the serving & washing up etc. The event raised £148.47 to be divided between church funds & CAFOD.

New Flower Rotas. The names of those who would be willing to arrange flowers in our churches over the coming

months (with the exception of Lent) are being sought; signatures may be put on the lists available in both churches. **Safeguarding.** After a good number of years of fulfilling the role of Parish Safeguarding Representative, quietly & most competently dealing with the work that this has brought, Mary Letham has recently stepped down from the post being replaced by Patricia McLean, whom we welcome into the role. We thank Mary for her dedication & commitment.

Bank Closures & Standing Orders. Thank you to those parishioners who have taken Standing Order Mandates. Please do not hesitate to contact Fr. Nicholas if you are unsure of how to complete the form. These remain available for parishioners to obtain from Fr. Nicholas on request. Two questions were asked about changing from Collection Envelopes to a Standing Order: which may be questions considered by others: (a) Will my Gift Aid Declaration remain in place? Yes, any Gift Aid Declarations will remain in place, as it is just the means of giving that has altered. (b) What about contributions to our Second Collections? We are not able to reclaim Gift Aid on all of our Second Collections, however we can reclaim Gift Aid on amounts placed in the 'Loose Collection' basket (i.e. not given in a Special Collection Envelope) through what is known as the Small Donations Scheme of tax reclamation. From the our Parish bank details given on the Standing Order Mandate it is possible to set up your instructions via on-line banking.

<u>Masses</u>. Currently there is a slight backlog of Masses handed-in over recent weeks as happens each Christmastime. Priority is given to anniversaries (for which two weeks' notice is asked). All Masses will be celebrated shortly.

<u>Mondays</u>. Monday is Fr. Nicholas's 'day-off' however it is increasingly becoming a working day due to the number of non -urgent 'phone calls & e-mails being received. In future these will not be dealt with until Tuesday.

<u>Coughs & Colds.</u> To prevent the spread of germs facial coverings & hand sanitisers remain available in both churches. <u>Christmas Raffle for both Heckmondwike & Cleckheaton.</u> The following Raffle Ticket numbers are all winners with their prizes unclaimed; please check your tickets & any you sold to family & friends. 01882 (Bottle of Red Wine), 02461 (Child's Games) 02421 (Sweets) & Lucky Programme Number 65. Prizes may be obtained via Fr. Nicholas.

<u>Home Visits for Holy Communion</u>. If parishioners would like to receive Holy Communion at home they or a family member are asked to contact Fr. Nicholas directly. Prior to any visit Fr. Nicholas will take a Covid-19 Test & observe protocols that continue to be in place in some residential / nursing homes.

<u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u>. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment with Fr. Nicholas.

Food Bank Donations. Receptacles are available at the back of both of our churches for donations of food / toiletries. **N.B.** All <u>financial</u> contributions made to the Cleckheaton Food Bank until the <u>end of January</u> will be doubled through the partnership that the Food Bank has with "Match it!" Any such donations should be given to Fr. Nicholas directly. Thank you to those who contribute to either collection points & for the generous financial donations received so far.

<u>Text Giving</u>. 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.