

Welcome to the parish of **The Holy Spirit, Our Lady & St Paul of the Cross**

serving the communities of Holy Spirit, Heckmondwike and Our Lady & St Paul, Cleckheaton

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This Week's Mass Schedule

Saturday	30/09	Holy Spirit	4:30 pm	Patricia Hutton (Anniversary)
		St Paul's	6:30 pm	Xavier Newman Burke (Anniversary)
Twenty Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time	01/10	Holy Spirit	9:30 am	Eileen Callaghan (Anniversary)
		St Paul's	11:30 am	Frank Honeybell (Birthday A)
Monday <i>The Holy Guardian Angels</i>	02/10	No Mass Today		
Tuesday	03/10	Holy Spirit	11-11:50 am	Exposition & Benediction
			12 noon	Patricia Hutton
Wednesday <i>St Francis of Assisi</i>	04/10	St Paul's	12 noon	Daisy Ann Morton
Thursday <i>St Faustina</i>	05/10	St Paul's	10 am	Requiem: Graham Wood
		Holy Spirit	2:15 pm	John Brannan (School Mass)
Friday <i>St Bruno</i>	06/10	St Paul's	9:30 am	Janet Wright (Sick)
Saturday <i>Our Lady of The Rosary</i>	07/10	St Paul's	11-11:50 am	Exposition & Benediction
			12 noon	Mark & Michael Ormonroyd
		Holy Spirit	4:30 pm	Allan Nutall (Anniversary)
		St Paul's	6:30 pm	Bernard & Teresa Gibbons (Anniversary)
Twenty Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time	08/10	Holy Spirit	9:30 am	Margaret Lynn
		St Paul's	11:30 am	People of The Parish

TIMES OF CONFESSIONS

Saturday 11:00-11:45 (SP) 3:45-4:15pm (HS) 5:45-6:15pm (SP)

and upon (mutually convenient) request

LATELY DEAD: Please pray for PATRICIA REEVE, DAISY ANN MORTON, who have died recently. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: : Nellie Dipper, Margaret Peel, Janet Wright, Beryl Cassidy, Daisy Ann Morton, Hilda Logush, Mark & Michael Ormonroyd, John Brannan, Margaret Lynn, Daisy Ann Morton.

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OCTOBER DEVOTIONS: We shall gather to pray with our Lady for our parish, the synod in Rome and all our general intentions during this month dedicated to Our Lady. Rosary and Benediction will take place each Sunday at 3:30pm alternating between the 2 churches of our parish beginning in Holy Spirit Church next week, Sunday 8th. Each service will last about 40 minutes.

SP 100 CLUB: No. 40 Trish & Steve Lees

HS 150 CLUB: Please see notice board

**PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD OF BISHOPS
ADSUMUS SANCTE SPIRITUS**

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.

All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever.
Amen.

Our Lady of Unfailing Help...
Pray for us!

PARISH "THINKING" DAY: On Saturday 21st October we shall have a parish get-together of both our communities in Holy Spirit meeting room. Our time together will begin with Rosary and Benediction at 12 noon in Holy Spirit church followed by the blessing of the newly renovated meeting room. Tea, sandwiches and cakes will be provided. Fr Simon will give a little bit of spiritual input and share some of his thoughts and ideas for the future. You are invited to share your thoughts and ideas too. Perhaps there are some things that you think are missing in either or both of our churches. Is there something that's gone by the wayside that you think might benefit the parish again? Perhaps you have seen something happening elsewhere that we could try here? This is not a time for airing grievances but for positive, constructive thought about our future. Start giving some thought now and do inform those people who are no longer able to get to church; their input is crucial too. Morning confessions and 12 noon Mass in St Pauls will be suspended for that day only.

NOVEMBER DEAD LIST: Envelopes will be available from next week as we start to gather names for remembrance throughout the month of November, the month of prayer for the Holy Souls. Throughout November, except when there is a requested intention or a Requiem, Mass will be offered for our loved ones who have gone home to the Father in heaven.

FROM YOUR PASTOR

I think I could rate October and May as my favourite months of the year. By May, we're reaching the climax of spring and everything is in full bloom and we're looking forward to a long summer (of freezing gales and torrential rain!). October, though it be the threshold of winter, has the most spectacular colours on display and whilst the thought of the dark days of winter make my heart sink, the said heart is consoled by the beauty of the dying process. Even as we say 'goodbye' to the natural order, we know it is not forever. Spring will come again. With all that in mind, I just don't get why we can have such a problem struggling with the idea of Resurrection. The Good God of Creation doesn't exactly hide His hand very well!!

I also love these two months because they are dedicated to Our Blessed Lady, our Mother. Again, the natural order encourages us to rejoice in and take refuge in the whole experience of being 'mothered' be that at the hands of our own mothers (in this world or the next) or by the many other ways we are nurtured and sustained by other people and things. Jesus gives us His Mother to be our Mother just as he enters into the depths of darkness as the prelude to the heights of glory. It's clear that He, though God, fully appreciates the need we humans have for 'mothering'. Let us take Mary's hand this month in our prayers and devotions and let's allow ourselves to be mothered by one who knows how to do it par excellence. In a world that tries to 'smother' us with its toxic messages, verbal or otherwise, let us allow Mary to teach us how to breathe the fresh air of Faith. Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us.

Last Laugh: My wife had a bad habit of biting her nails, but I cured her. I hid her teeth. *Tommy Cooper*