

# 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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**EXPOSITION & BENEDECTION:** See Weekly Schedule

## **TIMES OF CONFESSIONS:**

Saturday 11:00-11:45 (SP) 3:45-4:15pm (HS) 5:45-6:15pm (SP) and upon (mutually convenient) request

**DEVOTIONS:** May. October. Lent (See Schedule)

## PARISH GROUPS

### **Sewing Bees**

Meets Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of month in St Paul's Hall

10 am-11:50 am (may vary due to Mass times)

### **Soup Lunch**

Meets Monthly -3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday.

Following 12 noon Mass

Tickets Available at Masses the weekend before

## PARISH HEALTH & SAFETY REPRESENTATIVES

**Holy Spirit:** Chris Burrows 07833 917587

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## Safeguarding

**Parish Representative:** Patricia McLean – 07842 911069

**Diocesan Co-ordinator:** 07515 598523

If you have any concerns about safeguarding or you are worried about an individual, please feel free to contact our safeguarding representative. If the individual is in immediate and real danger, please call the Police

## This Week's Mass Schedule

Saturday	18/11	Holy Spirit	4:30 pm	Catherine Murphy (Anniversary)
		St Paul's	6:30 pm	Joseph Dales
<b>Thirty -Third Sunday In Ordinary Time</b>	19/11	Holy Spirit	9:30 am	Graham Wood
		St Paul's	11:30 am	Joseph Walsh
Monday	20/11	No Mass Today		
Tuesday <i>The Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	21/11	Holy Spirit	11 am	Exposition & Benediction
		Holy Spirit	12 noon	Florence Harland
Wednesday	22/11	St Paul's	12 noon	John Maloney
Thursday <i>St Columban</i>	23/11	Holy Spirit	9:30 am	Margaret Lynn
Friday <i>St Andrew Dung-Lac</i>	24/11	St Paul's	9:30 am	November Dead List
Saturday	25/11	St Paul's	11 am	Exposition & Benediction
		St Paul's	12 noon	Peter Higgins
		Holy Spirit	4:30 pm	People Of The Parish
		St Paul's	6:30 pm	Barry Taylor
<b>Christ The King</b>	26/11	Holy Spirit	9:30 am	Doreen & Brian Summerscales
		St Paul's	11:30 am	Trevor Patrick Jowett
		St Paul's	3:30 pm	Service For The Dead

**LATELY DEAD:** Please pray for John Mckenna and Mary Hobson who have died recently. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

**MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED:**

<u>OUR LADY'S LAMP</u>	<u>CLUB</u>
<b>HS: PAUL KELLY &amp; THE KELLY FAMILY</b>  <hr style="width: 20%; margin: auto;"/> <b>SP: McHALE FAMILY</b>	<b>SP: 47 Sylvia Logush</b>  <hr style="width: 80%; margin: auto;"/> <b>HS: 5 Shaun Campon</b>

## **PARISH NOTICES**

**NOVEMBER DEAD LIST:** A preliminary run of the list has been printed and is available to be viewed in both our churches this weekend. You can still add to the list by filling out one of the envelopes at the back of church and handing it in to Father. The list will be updated each weekend of November until the end of the month. If you notice any mistakes in the list please let Father know so that it can be corrected and updated as we go through November.

**OUR LADY'S LAMP:** You have the opportunity to sponsor a lamp that will burn night and day before Our Lady's altar for a week. This will be available in both of our churches. If you wish to take advantage of this, please use the envelopes provided at the back of church. We require a minimum donation of £5 per lamp. Please stipulate where you would like the lamp to burn. The lamps will burn on a first come, first served basis and cannot be booked (as you do for a Mass). Remember, there's no time in heaven! The intention for the relevant church in the current week will be notified in the bulletin and at the side of the lamp itself.

**BLESSING OF GRAVES:** Fr Simon will be blessing graves this Sunday, in Heckmondwike cemetery. Please meet at 1:30pm at the Dale Lane entrance.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE:** We will have a parish memorial service for all our beloved dead which will be held this Sunday the Feast of Christ the King at 3:30pm in St Paul's church. There will be a special focus on those who have died since last November and during this service, Fr Simon will read out the names of all our parishioners who have died in both of our parishes and are recorded in the respective Death Registers.

**HOLY SPIRIT CHRISTMAS FAIR:** Saturday December 2<sup>nd</sup> in school starting at 12 noon. Donations required please for the various stalls-bottles-unwanted gifts-good quality toys- chocolate-mince pies-bric-a-brac. please note no books/dvds this year—cakes to be brought in on the day. Raffle prizes are also needed. If you would like to help please contact Susan Moreland 0795 6048 711

**VIGIL MASS CONSULTATION:** Fr Simon is seeking opinions and thoughts concerning the adaptation of our Sunday Mass schedule, in particular the 2 vigil Masses. The idea is to reduce from four Masses to three (much more in line with the requirements of a parish of our size). This will facilitate his being of use to another parish in an emergency. If you have any thoughts or (clean) suggestions that might help to make his decision he'd be glad to hear them either vocally, via letter or email. This consultation will be open for the whole of November.

**HOMES FOR UKRAINE MATCHING SERVICE:** Caritas Social Action Network, in partnership with St John of God Hospitaller Services, an international Catholic charity with many services for the vulnerable in the UK and Ireland, are matching Ukrainian people displaced by the brutal war with the people in the Catholic community willing to host them in their homes for six months. If you have room in your home and in your heart to consider welcoming a stranger displaced by war, then we'd love to hear from you. Please visit <https://sjog-homesforukraine.uk/> for more information. Prayer cards are available at the back of church to pray for an end to the war in Ukraine.

**HOLY SPIRIT COFFEE MORNINGS:** if you would like to help on a Sunday after mass please contact June Harris 07842 534122

**MISSIO RED BOX HOLDERS:** can you please bring your boxes to church, both St. Paul's and Holy Spirit, for emptying between now and the end of November for our end of year collection.

**CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS CRAFTS:** Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2:30-4:30pm in St Pauls Church Hall. A Christmas crafts session aimed at children. This is a parent lead session where you can make crowns, reindeer food, decorate biscuits and make tree decorations, plus other surprises too £10 per child. Please contact Sam on 07533166998 to book a place.

### FROM YOUR PASTOR

It barely seems possible that we are over halfway through November already. Many of us have lost dear family and friends in the last year, some expected, some shockingly quick. Our parish family has lost some of its oldest and most faithful people during this last year. You hear some people say that the one thing we all have in common is that we shall all die one day. It's a bleak thought and it's true in part; but actually, it's not the only thing we have in common. We can only die if we have first *lived* and been present in this world and so, in common, we all live and we all die. But FIRST, we live.

Too many people spend too much time worrying about fending off the inevitability of death. It's going to happen and Jesus, who knows what it is to die (and even to die in awful circumstances) assures us that we don't need to worry as long as we keep our eyes fixed on Him and our trust in God's mercy. That established, we can get on with the sometimes tedious, sometimes exciting prospect of being a (wo)man fully alive. St Iraneus said that "The glory of God is a human-being fully alive". We can only be fully alive if we are fully in the present moment and don't spend too much time worrying about the manner of our death. Perhaps this was one of the reasons why the Church used to promote prayer to St Joseph, the Patron of a happy death. I say 'used to' because the insidious evil of Relativism has ensured that our community and especially our children should fear death, unless of course it's commercialised at Halloween. This is bound to happen when you insist on removing the fullness of God from as much of life as possible. Well, I can assure you it aint happening in any parish placed in my care, not even over my very dead body! Below are two prayers for a happy death, one seeking the intercession of St Joseph and one seeking the comfort of the Holy Family. Pray them, shock your trendy neighbours, send the politically correct into spasms of objection and then stop worrying about the end of your life and get stuck into enjoying your life as it is right now because right now, just like the Holy Souls, you are in God's hands and you will be at the moment of your death and way beyond as long as you are prepared to trust Him.

*O Blessed Joseph, you gave your last breath in the loving embrace of [Jesus](#) and Mary. When the [seal](#) of death shall close my life, come with [Jesus](#) and [Mary](#) to aid me. Obtain for me this solace for that hour - to die with their holy arms around me. Jesus, [Mary](#) and Joseph, I commend my soul, living and dying, into your sacred arms. Amen*

*Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I give you my heart and my soul. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, assist me in my last agony. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, may I breath forth my soul with thee. Amen.*

**Last Laugh:** And God said: "Let there be Satan, so people don't blame everything on me. And let there be politicians, so people don't blame everything on Satan." *George Burns*