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 & BENEDICTION: See Weekly Schedule **TIMES OF CONFESSIONS:**

Saturday 10:00-10:45 (SP) 3:45-4:15pm (HS)) and upon (mutually convenient) request **DEVOTIONS:** May. October. Lent (See Schedule)

PARISH GROUPS

Sewing Bees

Meets Every 2nd & 4th Wednesday of month in St Paul's Hall 10 am-11:50 am (may vary due to Mass times)

Soup Lunch

Meets Monthly -3rd Wednesday.

Following 12 noon Mass

Tickets Available at Masses the weekend before

PARISH HEALTH & SAFETY REPRESENTATIVES

Holy Spirit: Chris Burrows chrisburrows@ntlworld.com

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Parish Representative: Patricia McLean – 07842 911069

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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	24/02	Holy Spirit	4:30 pm	People of The Parish
Second Sunday of Lent	25/02	Holy Spirit	9:30 am	November Dead List
		St Paul's	11:30 am	Charlotte Newton (Sick)
		St Paul's	3:30 pm	Stations of The Cross & Benediction
Monday	26/02	NO MASS TODAY		
Tuesday	27/02	Holy Spirit	1 pm	Funeral Service: Bryan Hutton
		Holy Spirit	6:15 pm	Exposition & Benediction
		Holy Spirit	7 pm	Linda Harrison (LD)
Wednesday	28/02	St Paul's	12 noon	Peter Summerscales
Thursday	29/02	St Paul's	10:30 am	Requiem: Gloria Early
Friday St David	01/03	St Paul's	9:30 am	Anna Mary Niak
Saturday	02/03	St Paul's	10 am	Exposition & Benediction
			11 am	November Dead List
		Holy Spirit	4:30 pm	Marion & Richard Cummings
Third Sunday of Lent	03/03	Holy Spirit	9:30 am	Horace Palethorpe
		St Paul's	11:30 am	People of The Parish
		Holy Spirit	3:30 pm	Stations of The Cross & Benediction

LATELY DEAD: Please pray for all those who have died recently especially, Patrick Lenagh, May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: Brian Hutton, Peter Summerscales, Peggy Bowler, Michael Doran, Marion & Richard Cummings, Harry English, Anna Mary Niak, Annie Clough, Charlotte Newton, Fr Kevin Martin.

OUR LADY'S LAMP

You can sponsor a lamp that will burn night and day before Our Lady's altar for a week. Available in both of our churches. Please use the envelopes provided at the back of church, 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).

HS: THE BUTTERWORTH FAMILY

SP: ALAN HAYES

CLUB

SP: 54 Eileen Dixon

HS: 16 Geoff Camponi

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Holy Spirit

Mass Count: 164

Envelopes: £176 **Loose**: £379.91

Standing orders January

£,1784.00

Our Lady & St Paul's

Mass Count: 103

Envelopes: £, 165 Loose: £,124

Standing orders January

£2091.50

PARISH NOTICES

HOMES & GARDENS: Fr Simon is willing to come and consecrate your home to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and to bless your garden/grounds as we enter into the season of spring. In ancient days, the priest (and people) used to go to the fields and ask Almighty God for a good growing season and harvest. These were known as Rogation Days and whilst they're not universally observed anymore, Father thinks it's a good way of us reminding ourselves that God is in every aspect of our lives, not just in our churchy lives. It's also a good way for him to have a good nosey round his parish! If you want to invite him round (and maybe even feed and water him), get in touch with him and arrange a mutually convenient date/time. (There is no charge for this, but you're welcome to make an offering if you wish.)

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: Friday 1st March 2pm in St Paul's church. This event is open to everyone, and refreshments will be served in the hall afterwards.

SVP: The next meeting will be on Thursday 29th February at 7pm in Holy Spirit Hall. If you know someone in the parish who is housebound and/or isolated, then let Fr Simon know so that he can pass their details on to the SVP (with their permission of course!).

FR JOSHUA HILTON: will be offering a spiritual talk on Saturday the 2nd March at 11:30 in St Paul's Hall. All welcome.

READERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, AND ANYONE ELSE: There will be a talk on Saturday 16th March 11:30 in St Paul's Hall. As well as spiritual input, there will be practical details to be addressed. We should be over and done by 1:30pm.

HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL: will be making the Stations (and having Benediction) on a Thursday during lent. All parishioners are welcome to join them. See schedule after half term.

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE: to give opportunities for workers to attend a weekday Mass during Lent we shall move the usual Tuesday schedule to 7pm for a trail period. Likewise, to facilitate the school making the Stations Thursday Mass will move to 10am.

LENTEN ALMS BOXES: are now available. You are invited to pop money into them throughout the up-coming season of Lent. Remember, a significant part of our Lenten 'fast' is focussed on alms giving. This year, our collected alms will be given to "Friends of the Holy Land". This Sunday we will have a speaker at each Mass who will inform us further about the

current plight of our Christian brothers and sisters who are caught up in the conflict in the Holy Land.

THE CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS CHRIST: re-enacted by the 6th form students of St John Fisher Catholic Voluntary Academy. Friday 22nd March 12 noon at Longcauseway Church. Please co e along and show your support.

CATECHISTS DAY: Catechists are invited to Hinsley Hall, LS2 6BX, Saturday 2nd March 10am–3pm for a day of celebration and thanksgiving for your wonderful ministry. Input from Sr Therese CFR, an opportunity for sharing and times of reflection, simple lunch provided. This is a free event but booking is essential. Email Formation@dioceseofleeds.org.uk to book.

LEEDS DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: The next annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place Friday 5th – Thursday 11th July 2024. The pilgrimage will be led by Bishop Marcus Stock and is being organised through Tangney Tours. More information and booking available at https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage/ of Leeds – Lourdes Pilgrimage

REDISCOVER YOUR MARRIAGE: Retrouvaille offers you the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving marriage relationship. Many headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. There is no group therapy or group work. The next programme commences with a weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 14-16th June 2024. Contact 07887 296983 or retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com, or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

FROM YOUR PASTOR

One of the great traditions in Rome is to visit specific churches each day of Lent. This is an ancient tradition that goes back to Pope Gregory the Great (590-604 AD), the Pope who sent St Augustine to evangelise these isles. In fact, it predates him and was originally a way for the Bishop of Rome, the pope, to visit his diocese. Pope Gregory set the dates in stone and they've been pretty much followed ever since. Each evening, the designated church remains open for the faithful to visit for Mass and prayers. Also, as most churches in Rome have substantial relics in them, it is an opportunity for the faithful to call on the prayers of the saints to aid them in their Lenten journey of conversion of heart and mind to Christ's own Heart and Mind.

The 2nd Sunday in Lent sees the faithful of Rome visiting Santa Maria in Domenica alla Navicella. This is a minor basilica dedicated to the Mother of God. According to tradition, St Lawrence, the deacon and martyr, used to distribute alms to the poor of Rome from a house on this site which belonged to a rich Christian widow called Cyriaca. When St Lawrence was put to death, she arranged to have him buried in the nearby family grave which soon became a site of pilgrimage itself. Anyway, the reason for all this potted history is that I find that by this point in Lent I'm already flagging somewhat, if not positively gasping for the fresh air of Easter and super-indulgence. But there's a long way to go yet, Lodgey, so you need to stagger to a place where you can be assured of consolation and encouragement. Where better than into the arms of your mother, and in this matter of spiritual warfare the arms of our spiritual Mother are wide open for us all. I did think of doing our own little station pilgrimage between our two churches, but I suspected we might get bored of that pretty quickly! But in both of our churches we have images of the Blessed Mother so we could do a lot worse than go to her this weekend and light a candle, asking for her prayers and presence as we continue our pilgrimage through the week to come.

Lenten Wisdom: The best criticism of the bad is the practice of the better. Fr Richard Rohr, OFM