

St Joseph's and St Patrick's

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22 December 2024 – Fourth Sunday of Advent -

Masses and Services this week

Sat 21 Dec 6.45pm – Vigil Mass Third Sunday of Advent –
Yorkshire Brethren Society

Sun 22 Dec - 9.00am - St Patrick's - Jan Wood

10.30am St Joseph's - Eddie Murgatroyd

Mon 23 Dec – No service until Spring

Tues 24 Dec – 4pm **Sacrament of Confession**

4.30pm Christmas Carols – St Joseph's

5pm Vigil Mass of Christmas – St Joseph's - Daniel Hind

11.30pm Christmas Carols – St Patrick's

**Midnight Mass of Christmas – St Patrick's - Intentions of
the Parish Priest**

**Wed 25 Dec 9am - St Patrick's: Mass of Christmas
Morning – People of the Parish - 10.30am – St Joseph's:
Mass of Christmas Morning – Malcolm Gedard**

Thurs 26 Dec – No Mass

Fri 27 Dec - 10am – St John - Refugees

Sat 28 Dec - 10am – The Holy Innocents - YBS

6.45pm - Vigil Mass for The Holy Family - Thanksgiving

Sun 29 Dec - 9.00am - St Patrick's - The Holy Family –
Margaret De Vitto

10.30am - St Joseph's - The Holy Family – SVP Deceased
Members

Masses Received: Bob Fletcher x 5, Marie Fee, Serap
Volpara, Harold Stephens, Marie Fletcher.

Requiem Masses: For Bob Fletcher: Will take place at St
Joseph's, Wednesday 8 January 2025, 11am. For Marie Fee,
9th January 11.15am.

Sacrament of First Confession: Please collect an enrolment
form from church and return before the Christmas break.
Session dates: all 4.15pm starts 15 Feb, 1 March, 8 March, 15
March, 22 March. Service 29 March, 10am at St Joseph's.

The Octave of Christmas: Octave = an Eighth. From 17-24
December we enter into the heart of the preparation for the
Holy Season of Christmas. Our churches will be decorated
accordingly and stable of Bethlehem prepared. The readings
in this period are presented from St Matthew and St Luke
which tell us of what happened before the birth of Jesus. The
first readings are taken from different prophets and contain
the theme of the Messiah. Our hymns become carols.

Happy Christmas: May I take this opportunity to wish you
all a very happy and holy Christmas. May the Lord give to
you his choicest gifts. Pray for those who will be homeless
this Christmas or without a family. If you are travelling to
family and friends, please do travel safely and see you in the
new year. Fr P.

WELCOLME: To visitors who are celebrating Christmas
with us this year.

New Headteacher at St Joseph's School: The governors
have appointed Mrs. Carmen Hargreaves as the new
Headteacher. Mrs. Hargreaves is currently in the role of
Deputy Head. Mrs. Wood retires at the end of the Spring term.
After which, Mrs. Hargreaves takes over. I am grateful for the
support of the school governors in making this excellent
appointment. We wish to thank the DOL Education
Department and the Bishop Konstant Trust for their
assistance throughout the recruitment process. Many
Congratulations to Mrs. Hargreaves on our behalf for taking
on this very important mission to lead the school.

Sacrament of Confession in preparation for Christmas:
As Catholics, we are obliged to go to the sacrament at least
once a year to have our sins forgiven for our salvation.

Offertory Collection: 15/12/24 £620.00; Christmas Flowers
£202.02. Candles £128.46 Monthly Standing Orders: £660.30
per month. Thank you.

Christmas Crib Collection: Once again, we will be
supporting the Catholic organisation, *Friends of the Holy
Land*. They provide financial and pastoral support to the
Christian communities in the Holy Land who suffer a great
deal of poverty and hardship. Once again, there will be no
Christmas in Bethlehem this year because of the war in that
region.

Christmas Collection; Will be for your parish priest as ever.

200 Club Winners: 30, 68, 45. Christmas draw 22 December.

Parish Retreat Day: You are invited to attend a deanery day
of retreat to celebrate the Jubilee year on the theme of
'Pilgrimage of Hope'. It will take place at The Briery,
Victoria Road, Ilkley. £35 incl two course lunch. Saturday 1

Feb, 10am – 3.30pm. To book T: 01943 607287 E: admin@briery.org.uk

Ministry of Readers: St Joseph's: 21/22 Dec 6.45 p.m. Judith Southern; 10.30 a.m. Jackie Clark & Radek Lis. 28/29 Dec 6.45pm Phillip Harrison; 10.30am Bernard Swarbrick & Radek Lis.

St Patrick's: 22 Dec Claire & Frank, 29 Dec Michael & Luke.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

22 Dec K Altham; 29 Dec TBD.

Special Prayers: Jennie Hendley – Marie & Bob Fletcher – Phyllis Kirrage – Val Kaynell – Mark Hoare – Dale McLaughlin – Marie Keating – Max Hudson – Peter Catley – Stan Nelson – Paul Wood – Tony Atherton – Pat Maloney – Mandy McLaughlan – Vincent Reeves – Alfred Atherton – Gladys Maloney – Paul McLaughlan – Kay Hudson – Frederick & Annie Shaw – Marjorie Higgins – Jo Walton – Jose Kelly – Margaret Rundle – Marie Fee – Gus Nixon – Maureen Murgatroyd – Rex Perraton – Mary Fenwick – Jean O'Hara – David Clark – Valerie Ashworth – Kim Fawcett – Jose Jones – Fr. Phillip – John King (LD) – Maureen Howarth – Fr Kevin Firth. Please pray for these and for the comfort of anyone suffering in any way. Please also remember the recently deceased and those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Monthly cake sale at our churches: I received a delightful idea recently, from a parishioner, to help to raise funds for the parish. A monthly cake sale after Mass on Sunday. All cakes, buns etc home-made. **St Joseph's 22 December;** Please bring your baking to the Parish Centre before Mass from 9am.

Radiators at St Patrick's: All of the radiators have been replaced, I have discovered this week, not just four. The other three radiators have been given and fitted free of charge by Phil the Boilerman of Earby. Many thanks to Phil for this wonderful donation which has saved us about £3k.

Ministry of Readers: Please use the lectionary on the altar for reading the scriptures. It is set out to be reader-friendly with large font size and well-spaced out to make it easier for the eye to read.

'Proclaiming the Word from the New Lectionary: A Refresher for Readers to form a simple and concise guide and provide some useful "DOs and DON'Ts" for lay men and

women who exercise the ministry of reading at Mass. All three videos (the first two for laity, the third for clergy) are easily accessible via our YouTube channel, www.LeedsCathedralLive.org.uk.

Congregation New Translation Missals: Can be obtained through Catholic Truth Society (CTS) for around £20.

Your Parish Giving: Standing Orders for your parish giving: Quite a few parishioners now take advantage of paying their weekly collection by standing order. If you would like to pay by standing order, please collect a form and complete it for your banking or, if you are online banking, please see the bulletin below for our bank details.

Gift Aid: please complete a gift aid form and return to us if you would like our parish to benefit from an HMRC tax break. If you are eligible to pay tax, then we can benefit from your giving directly. For every £1, we gain 25p. The form to complete and return to us is the same form as the standing order - just complete the gift aid section only and return to us. For internet Banking or setting up a Standing Order: Name: Diocese of Leeds St Joseph's Church Barnoldswick. Sort Code: 40-27-15 Account No: 61016709 Many thanks for your generosity. Cheques payable to 'Diocese of Leeds St Joseph's Church Barnoldswick'. The parish has benefitted directly in the past from generous parishioners who have bequeathed to the parish in their wills. Of your charity, would you please consider leaving something of your estate for the benefit of our parish. Please indicate by adding for the sole and exclusive use of St Joseph's or St Patrick's church.

Diocese of Leeds Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Places are now available to book for 4 – 10 July 2025, 6 nights from £947 including flights. BOOK EARLY as places go quickly. <https://www.tangney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-leeds>

Buckfast Abbey Retreats: Buckfast Abbey are delighted to announce their Group Guided Retreats for 2025, details can be found on the Buckfast Abbey website: <https://www.buckfast.org.uk/retreats/>.

Diocese of Leeds Community choir: This new venture welcomes all parish musicians, parishioners, choir parents, friends, and school and Diocesan staff to come together and sing! Rehearsals on Sunday afternoons (19 January, 2 & 9 February, 2 & 23 March all at 2-3.30pm), working towards a concert performance, including music by Mendelssohn, Fauré, and Rutter, on Laetare Sunday, 30 March 2025 (4pm) at the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Moortown. To book your place please email office@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk

Airedale Hospital Chaplain: Please contact the Chaplaincy 01535 294 088 or Mr Vince Curran 01535 661897. Fr McLaughlin is currently off sick.

When a Catholic is admitted to hospital it is essential that they be recorded as a Catholic on their medical records.