



**The Parish 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 29/04	6.00 pm Holy Rosary 6.30 pm Birthday Blessings	4.30 pm People of the Parish
Sunday 30/04 3rd Sunday of Easter (A)	11.30 am Peter Hartley	9.30 am Thanksgiving (Koprowski)
Monday 01/05	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday 02/05 St. Athanasius	No Mass	9.45 am Fr. Jerry O'Mahoney (A)
Wednesday 03/05 Ss. Philip & James	11.30 am Holy Rosary 12 noon David Ruane (LD)	No Mass
Thursday 04/05	10.15 am Marcella Hurley	2.15 pm Catherine Camponi (LD) <i>(Whole school Mass in church)</i>
Friday 05/05	No Mass	9.45 am Mick Almond
Saturday 06/05	12 noon Dead List 2016 6.00 pm Holy Rosary 6.30 pm Tracey Family Intentions	4.30 pm People of the Parish
Sunday 07/05 4th Sunday of Easter (A)	11.30 am Anne O'Brien (LD)	9.30 am Patrick John & Mary Walsh

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on request & on Saturday (Cleckheaton) 11.30 am & Saturday (Heckmondwike) 4.00 pm. N.B. Times may vary due to pastoral commitments.

We pray for those whom God has called back to Himself recently:
Eileen Link (nee Summerscales) (of Liversedge) & John Kelly (Cleckheaton)

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time including: Betty Maston & Fr. Jerry O'Mahoney

The sick and those caring for them; we recall especially: Alex Ray, Barbara Lloyd, Margaret Crowther, Pauline Ramsbottom, Margaret Baxter, Claire Friend, Ann Donovan, Helen Oldroyd, Tom Kelly, Pat Tracey, Agnes Clark, Terry Caine, Susan Smith, Margaret Marney, Hilda Logush, Shirley Heselton, Maureen Delaney, Mary Bateman, Joan O'Connor, Christopher Browne, Rita Morrison, Leon O'Neill, Frances Melvin, Tony Wilby, Billy Forde, Susan Walker & Malcolm Durrans.

Please give any names of those with anniversaries occurring to Fr. Nicholas for inclusion on the Newsletter &

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Offertory

Envelopes	£344.66	£282.33
Loose Plate	£209.57	£241.81
Total	£554.23	£524.14

Many thanks for your continued generosity & to those who contribute through the use of Standing Orders.

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions: *In Memory of Eileen & Brian Riley (St. Paul's) & In Memory of Margaret & Peter Henry (Holy Spirit):*

There is an opportunity in both churches for the weeks' Sanctuary Lamp to be lit for the intentions of Parishioners. (Sanctuary Lamps are available from the back of our churches; please write the intention on the candle; payment (£3) may be put into the Piety Box.)

Cycle of Prayer: Divine Office Psalter Week 3 (+Seasonal Proper)

Mass Intentions Received: Mary Waldron (LD), Leszek Socha (LD) X10, Fr. Jerry O'Mahoney (A), John & Irene Maguire (A),

Second Collection. A retiring collection will be taken THIS weekend (29th/30th April) for the Priests' Training Fund.

Holy Places. Many thanks to those who gave so generously to the collection taken for Holy Place on Good Friday. This raised £395.67 (£314.81 taken on Good Friday during the Service at Holy Spirit & £80.86 handed-in over Easter).

Deanery Reorganisation. Last Sunday evening the Deanery Working Party met to discuss the outcome of the recent ballots taken across the Deanery expressing the opinions of church-goers on the four 'proposals' put to them. In light of this they have informed the Bishop that the preferred option of the majority of Deanery is Proposal One, which asks that Holy Spirit & St. Paul's continue under a single Priest serving both communities, with the additional responsibility of being Chaplain to Dewsbury District Hospital. In response to this the Bishop would like to thank all those involved, both clergy & lay-faithful. He is particularly appreciative that the consultation has come to a speedy & prompt conclusion. He will now consider the proposal & respond to it, with the view of implementing change fully over the next couple of years.

Social Activities. Please note a couple of dates for your diaries: Saturday 24th June—an evening of music at Holy Spirit & Saturday 8th July a combined Summer Fayre in the grounds of St. Paul's Church. More details shortly !

Expected Disruption. THIS Sunday 30th April parishioners may face disruption caused by the Tour de Yorkshire. Further details are available on the Kirklees Website: www.kirklees.gov.uk/tourdeyorkshire Please be aware of this !

Soup Lunch. A Soup Lunch will be held at St. Paul's THIS Wednesday 3rd May after a noontime Mass. Lists seeking Soup-makers are available for signatures at the back of St. Paul's Church.

Confirmation 2017. The fourth catechetical Session will be held NEXT Sunday 7th May at St. John Fisher High School at 6.00pm (concluding at 8.00pm). Confirmation will be celebrated by Bishop Marcus Stock on Tuesday 16th May at 7.30 pm at St. Patrick's Church, Birstall. **N.B.** Candidates should be attending Mass on a regular basis in preparation for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is the expectation of parishioners for any of the Sacraments.

St. Paul's Luncheon Club. The Luncheon Club meeting will be held NEXT Sunday 7th May (1.00 pm for 1.15 pm) at Cleckheaton Golf Club. A list is to be found at the back of church for signatures. Everyone welcome !

Holy Spirit Choir. Rehearsals for Pentecost will be held after the 9.30 am Mass from NEXT Sunday 7th May.

Sacramental Preparation. The Sacramental preparation of older / attending non-Catholic school children is now taking place. The next sessions are THIS Sunday 30th April & Sunday 7th May both in St. Paul's Parish Hall at 10.30 am.

First Reconciliation / Holy Communion 2017. (a) Last weekend 23 out of 32 children attended Mass in our churches.

(b) The next special Mass for the children will be NEXT Sunday 7th May at 9.30 am.

Extra News. In addition to items on the paper version of the Newsletter our webpages have a link entitled "Diocesan Events" containing news items pertaining to the Diocese & beyond which parishioners may appreciate knowing of.

St. Paul's 100 Club. The winner of this weeks' (week 8) draw is (34) Kevin Midgley —Congratulations !

Holy Spirit's 150 Club. The winning number of the weekly Draw (£25) is (12) David Honeybell — Congratulations !

St Paul's Church Cleaners. This week it is the turn of Team A to clean St. Paul's Church on Wednesday morning.

Altar Linen (St. Paul's). Volunteers are being sought to assist with the washing & ironing of the altar linen (small items) at St. Paul's Church. The task is not arduous & if a few people would come forward it could be done on a rota basis.

Holy Week & Easter. A very sincere word of thanks to everyone who in any way has given of their time, talents & gifts to enhance our collective celebration of the Season of Lent & the Easter Triduum. It has been especially edifying to see such good numbers observing this most sacred time in the life of the Church. What we celebrate spiritually & Sacramentally during these days sustains & feeds our daily / secular lives throughout the coming year.

Hymnbooks. Please look after the hymnbooks that we use—they were purchased by your fellow parishioners; already at Holy Spirit a number of books have had their spines damaged & pages torn.

Diocese of Leeds 79th Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Details of the Diocesan Pilgrimage are displayed in the porches of our churches: the pilgrimage will take place between Friday 7th July—Thursday 13th July.

Sainsbury's School Vouchers. Holy Spirit School is collecting these Vouchers; they can be handed-in at either church.

Welcome into God's Family, the Church, Lilly-May Louise Hill, who received the Sacrament of Baptism at Holy Spirit Church last Saturday.

Easter Thanks. Fr. Nicholas would like to thank parishioners who so kindly sent greetings cards & gifts at Easter. These have meant a great deal, as have the words of appreciation expressed in relation the celebration of the Holy Week & Easter Liturgies. Many thanks too for the very generous Easter Offerings.