



**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 05/01 <i>Feast of the Epiphany (C)</i>	6.00 pm Holy Rosary 6.30 pm People of the Parish	4.30 pm Michael Naughton (LD)
Sunday 06/01	11.30 am Mavis & Bill Henry	9.30 am Pamela Davis (LD)
Monday 07/01	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday 08/01	No Mass	9.45 am James Kelly
Wednesday 09/01	11.30 am Holy Rosary 12 noon Birthday Thanksgiving (PD) <i>(Followed by a Soup Lunch)</i>	No Mass
Thursday 10/01	10.15 am Felix Taylor (A)	2.15 pm Terry Brahan <i>(Whole School Mass in church)</i>
Friday 11/01	No Mass	8.45 am Dead List 2018
Saturday 12/01 <i>St. Aelred of Rievaulx</i>	12 noon Christmas Remembrance (Douglas) 6.00 pm Holy Rosary 6.30 pm Hugh Talty (LD)	4.30 pm Cyril Priestley (LD)
Sunday 13/01 <i>The Lord's Baptism (C)</i>	11.30 am Mollie Harrington (LD)	9.30 am People of the Parish

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: Patrick Daly (Heckmondwike)
And those whose anniversaries occur at this time including: Felix Taylor & Canon Stephen Dolan

The sick and those caring for them; we recall especially: Steve Firth, Susan Smith, Agnes Clark, Margaret Crowther, Hilda Logush, Billy Forde, Carole Morris, Helen Oldroyd, David Oldroyd, Joan O'Connor, Katie Gallagher-Peel, & Sr. Philomena Dunning
Please give any names of those with anniversaries occurring to Fr. Nicholas for inclusion on the Newsletter &

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Offer-

Envelopes	£317.00	£241.50
Loose Plate	£278.21	£345.57
Total	£595.21	£587.07

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

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions: *For a Special Intention (AW Jnr.) (St. Paul's) & In Memory of Bridget & John Summerscales (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 2 (+Seasonal Proper)

Second Collection. A second collection will be taken NEXT weekend for the benefit of the Diocesan Poor Mission Fund.

Words of Gratitude. Fr. Nicholas would like to thank very sincerely all those parishioners who worked so hard to make Christmas special, not least those who helped to decorate & clean the churches (flower-arrangers / tree decorators / crib arrangers), provided music & song, the Ministers of Word, Eucharist & Altar, those who ensured the collections were taken & the bearers of the Offertory Gifts, the children's catechists & youngsters who took part in the tableaux during the Vigil Masses, & all who have taken the time & made the effort to share their talents & gifts with the wider congregation.

Thank you one & all. **Personally.** May I take this opportunity of thanking everyone who so kindly sent greetings cards, offered gifts & contributed so generously to the Christmas Offerings which form a part of my income from our churches.

Children in Non-Catholic Schools. If you have a child who attends a Non-Catholic school & who will be eligible to receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation (i.e. are currently in Year 3 or equivalent) during the current academic year (2018/2019) please contact Fr. Nicholas by THIS Sunday 6th January 2019. Thank you !

Soup Lunch. The next Soup Lunch will take place THIS Wednesday 9th January at St. Paul's after a noon Mass. A Soup Lunch will take place at Holy Spirit on Friday 18th January after Mass. Lists seeking the providers of soup, bread & cakes are now available in BOTH churches to sign.

Top Ten Carols. Many thanks to those who supported this festive venture which raised £80 for the Parish Room Fund at Holy Spirit. Especial thanks to Henry Newman-Burke, singers, musicians, Mike Harris, & Ann & Maura for refreshments.

From the Registers 2018. Baptisms: Holy Spirit 19 (35) & St. Paul's 20 (23); Marriages: Holy Spirit 0 (3) & St. Paul's 2 (1); Funerals Holy Spirit 17 (16) & St. Paul's 11 (11). The figures in brackets () are those for 2017.

St. Paul's Flower Rota. A new Rota is available for Flower Arrangers to sign.

Annual Review of the Diocese 2018. Copies of this are available Free from the back of both of our churches.

Diocesan Directories 2019. New directories are on sale (£4) in both churches. Please put payment in Piety Stall boxes.

Christmas Raffle 2018. There are a number of unclaimed Raffle Prizes from the Christmas Draw. Please check your tickets against the lists displayed in the church external church noticeboards. Prizes may be collected after Mass.

Holy Spirit Parish Room. (a) Thanks to the generosity of parishioners £10,260 has been raised for this future project. (b) Many thanks to all who purchased Raffle Tickets for the Hamper Draw at Holy Spirit Church in aid of the Parish Room Refurbishment. Winners: 85 (Margaret Russell), 110, & 38. This raised £150.00.

Furniture. Some items of good quality (used) furniture including a chair, two-seater sofa, dining table & chairs, & a display cabinet have been offered FREE to a good home ! Images of these are on display in our porches. If interested please contact Fr. Nicholas in the first instance, & he will put you in touch with the donor.

Car Share. If you would be prepared to offer a lift to another parishioner (on an as & when arrangement) & have your details held on file for contacting as / when necessary please contact Lee Townsend on 07801 978694. Thank you !

Safeguarding. Parents are reminded that no child under 12 years of age should be going to the toilets in our church unaccompanied. This is for your child's safety & well-being; both of our toilets are located near to exit doors & car parks.

Extra News. See our webpages link entitled "Diocesan Events".

Music Practice. The regular practices for musicians & singers resume again at St. Paul's on Tuesday at 7.00 pm.

Church Cleaners. Thank you to all who take the time and trouble to ensure our churches & halls look so cared for.

Christmas Cards. Please check the receptacles for Christmas Cards which are to be found at the back of both of our churches. Cards will be disposed of if not collected by either the recipient or sender !

Holy Spirit 150 Club. The winner of the weekly £25 prize draw was (No. 141) Jane Stanger—congratulations !

World War II Pilgrimage. From Monday 26th—Friday 30th August 2019, costing £565 per person (a single supplement will also be payable for those in single rooms) & travel will be by coach & ferry. Please sign the list in our church porches.

Tea & Coffee. Refreshments are served in our Halls after both of our Sunday morning Masses.

Holy Spirit Catholic Primary School—Admissions 2019. If your child was born between 01.09.2014—31.08.2015 you need to register them for a place. The closing date is Tuesday 15th January 2019. ALL Catholic applicants must ensure that their child's Baptismal Certificate is handed in to the School Office. Contact Holy Spirit School 01924—400820.