



Parish of Mary, Mother of God, Bradford

St Winefride's Church, St Paul's Avenue, Bradford BD6 1ST (open daily 7am-7pm)

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Sunday 28th July 2024

First Reading 2 Kgs 4:42-44: They will eat and have some left over.

Resp Psalm **Ps 144: You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.**

Second Reading Eph 4:1-6: One Body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

Gospel John 6:1-15: Jesus gave out as much as was wanted to all who were sitting ready.

Saturday 27th July VIGIL	5.15pm St Winefride's	Priest's Intention
Sunday 28th July SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	8.15am St Winefride's 9.15am St John's 10.15am St Winefride's 11.15am St John's 5.00pm St John's	Priest's Intention Priest's Intention Isabel Bradshaw A Helen Lawlor A <i>Holy Hour, Vespers and Benediction</i>
Monday 29th July Ss Martha, Mary and Lazarus MEM	7.00am St Winefride's 8.00am St Winefride's	<i>Holy Hour with Lauds</i> Jim Birch A
Tuesday 30th July Weekday of Ordinary Time	6.00pm St John's 7.00pm St John's	<i>Holy Hour with Vespers</i> Int of Fr Francis Mary OFM Cap
Wednesday 31st July St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest MEM	12.30pm St Winefride's Hall	Deceased Members of the former Tuesday Luncheon Club RIP
Thursday 1st August St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church MEM	7.00am St Winefride's 8.00am St Winefride's	<i>Holy Hour with Lauds</i> Fr Michael Nealon LD
Friday 2nd August Weekday in Ordinary Time	12.30pm St Winefride's	Requiem: Rosario Marcinczak RIP
Saturday 3rd August St Oswald, Martyr MEM	9.00am St John's 10.00am St John's	<i>Holy Hour with Rosary</i> The Forgotten Souls RIP
VIGIL	5.15pm St Winefride's	Priest's Intention
Sunday 4th August EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	8.15am St Winefride's 9.45am St Winefride's 11.15am St John's 12.30pm St Winefride's 5.00pm St John's	People of the Parish Peter Curran LD Yorkshire Brethren <i>Baptism: Freddie Greenwood</i> <i>Holy Hour, Vespers and Benediction</i>

Confessions: Sat 27th, 4.30-5pm, St W's; Wed, 31st, 12-12.20pm, St W's; Sat 3rd, 4.30-5pm, St W's.

Please pray for the sick and those who have died recently.

Parish Mission Statement: *In obedience to Jesus' Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20), and in response to our Bishop's call for parishes to become more missional, we will engage in three missions in particular: to the family of the parish; to young people; and to those outside the Church.*

Finances

Offertory: 21st July: **Envelopes: £215.30; Loose: £245.05. Piety Stall St W's: £103.00. Refreshments St J's: £14.99. Average weekly income through standing orders: £450.** Thank you for your generosity. We have **contactless payment machines** at both churches. If you regularly give by cash and are a tax payer, please ask for a **set of envelopes** so that the parish can receive 25% extra from your donations at no further cost to yourself.

Parish matters

Fr Festus leaves the parish after our Masses today (Sunday) to take up his new role as Parish Priest of St Mary's, Bradford. We thank him for his work among us over the last two years and wish him well for the future. We will invite Fr Festus back for a Mass and a Reception in October when we will present him with a gift. This week the parish paid £594.78 to Fr Festus to cover half of his return flight to Nigeria in December of this year.

Congratulations to **Atiba Pryce and Megan Daly** who were married in St Win's Church yesterday.

Welcome to our new parishioners: **Priscillah Demberere, Blessing and John Anwuchie, Anna Fryer, and Barbara Hannan.**

Well done and thank you to all our **Missio Red Box** holders. The latest returns show that we raised **£2,060** for the foreign missions in the last financial year, the fourth highest parish contribution in our diocese! Thank you to coordinator Megan Pryce.

Our **weekend Mass schedule** will, until further notice, be as follows: 5.15pm Sat Vigil (St W's); 8.15am (St W's); 9.45am (St W's); 11.15am (St J's).

Are you a **Parish Volunteer** and would you like to stand down from this responsibility? Summer is a good time to relinquish duties that may have become burdensome to you. Please contact Fr Paul.

Thank you to **Sandra Scully and our Snowdrops Group** for donating new statues to our **Lourdes Grotto** at St John's and for renovating it.

We are going to have a **Golden Jubilee Pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome**. The dates are: Mon 9th to Mon 16th Sep 2024 (two nights in Assisi and five nights at Palazzola, the villa of the English College in the Alban Hills above Rome), Cost: £1,395. The itineraries are in our church porches.

Would somebody be able to take over leading the **Divine Mercy Chaplet** at 3pm on Fridays at St

Forthcoming events

We 31st July, 3.30pm: **Property Committee, Pres.**

Sat 3rd Aug, 11am: **St Win's Gardening Group.**

Thurs 8th August, 7pm: **Family and Youth Committee, Presbytery. NB Rescheduled.**

Sat 10th Aug, 3-8pm: **Vintage Afternoon and Tea Dance.** Hot meal, waitress service and bar.

Sat 17th Aug, 11am-4pm: **Jubilee Assumption Procession** with the statue of Our Lady between St J's & St W's Churches. Barbeque lunch. Please sign up for a job on the noticeboards. It would be

Families, young people and children

Sun 4th August, 3.30pm: **Young Christian Workers, St W's.** An opportunity to reflect on life in the light of the gospel and set personal goals.

Family Activity Saturday Afternoons 2024/25 (on either the second or third Sat each month): 3-5pm, St Win's Hall: 24/ 8; 21/9; 19/10; 23/11; 21/12; 14/1; 8/2; 8/3; 12/4 ; 17/5; 21/6; 19/7.

Family Games Sunday Afternoons, Wibsey Park: 3-4.30pm, 11th Aug & 8th Sep. Football, Rounders, Badminton, Boules & Tea and Cakes.

The Sacrament of Confirmation

Bishop Marcus will celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation** at St W's Church at 7pm on Thurs 23rd Jan 2025. The remaining preparation sessions will take place between 3.30pm and 5pm on the following Sats: 5th Oct; 9th Nov; 16th Nov; 7th Dec in St Win's Hall. Please contact the Parish Office if you wish your child to be Confirmed.

Adult formation

Would you like to become a Catholic? Join in some summer catechetical sessions to prepare for Reception and Confirmation in the autumn. These will take place on Wednesday evenings between 6.30 and 7.45pm on 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th Aug and 4th Sep in the Presbytery. Please see Fr Paul.

Bible Study Group: Starts Wed 7th Aug, 10.30-11.15am, & every fortnight thereafter, St W's Hall.

Baptism Preparation for Parents: 10th, 24th, 31st August, 11am, St J's Hall.

Group meetings/regular events

UCM: 7.30pm, 1st Mon of month, St J's Hall.

Craft Group: Tues 10.00am-12am, St J's Hall

St John's SVP: 6pm, alternate Tues, St J's Hall.

St W's SVP: 11.15am, 2nd Wed, St W's Room.

Charismatic Renewal: 7pm, alternate Fri, St W's.

Snowdrops: (adults/young people with learning difficulties): 1.30pm, 1st Sun of month, St J's Hall.

St Win's Choir: 7pm, Tues, St W's Church.

Cath Care Stay & Play: 9am, Mon, St W's Hall.

CC Friendship Group: (Adults with learning difficulties): Mon, 10am-2pm, Wagtail Close, BD6 3YJ.

CC Lunch Group: 1pm, Wed, St W's Hall.