



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 6th October 2024

First Reading Gen 2:18-24: They become one body.

Resp Psalm **Ps 127: May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.**

Second Reading Heb 2:9-11: The one who sacrifices, and the ones who are sanctified, are they of the same stock.

Gospel Mark 10:2-16: What God has united, man must not divide.

Saturday 5th October VIGIL	5.15pm St Winefride's	Joyce Gannon LD
Sunday 6th October TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	8.15am St Winefride's 9.45am St Winefride's 11.15am St John's 5.00pm St John's	People of the Parish Special Intention AT Priest's Intention <i>Holy Hour, Vespers, Benediction</i>
Monday 7th October Our Lady of the Rosary MEM	7.00am St Winefride's 8.00am St Winefride's 12.00noon St Winefride's	<i>Holy Hour with Lauds</i> The Forgotten Souls RIP The Forgotten Souls RIP
Tuesday 8th October Weekday in Ordinary Time	6.00pm St John's 7.00pm St John's	<i>Holy Hour with Vespers</i> The Forgotten Souls RIP x 2
Wednesday 9th October ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN, PRIEST FEAST	12.30pm St Winefride's 2.30pm Springfield	The Forgotten Souls RIP <i>Service of the World with HC</i>
Thursday 10th October St Paulinus of York, Bishop MEM	6.00am St Winefride's NB 7.00am St Winefride's NB	<i>Holy Hour with Vespers</i> The Forgotten Souls RIP
Friday 11th October Weekday in Ordinary Time	7.00am St Winefride's 8.00am St Winefride's 9.15am St Winefride's School 2-3.10pm St Winefride's	<i>Holy Hour with Lauds</i> The Forgotten Souls RIP Fr Michael Nealon LD <i>Holy Hour, Divine Mercy Chaplet</i>
Saturday 5th October St Wilfrid, Bishop MEM VIGIL	9.00am St John's 10.00am St John's 5.15pm St Winefride's	<i>Holy Hour with Rosary</i> Ints of Charlie and Julie Boyle (Golden Wedding Anniversary) People of the Parish
Sunday 6th October TWENTY-EIGHT SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	8.15am St Winefride's 9.45am St Winefride's 11.15am St John's 12.45pm St Winefride's 5.00pm St John's	The Forgotten Souls RIP Fr Michael Nealon LD Priest's Intention <i>Baptism: Harry Krupstas</i> <i>Holy Hour, Vespers, Benediction</i>

Confessions: Saturdays, 4.30-5pm, St W's; Wednesdays, 12-12.20pm, 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: 29th Sep: E: **262.70 £**; L: **271.20**. St J's: Refreshments: £13.154; Candles: £81. **Average weekly income through standing orders: £450**. Thanks 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

Parish matters

Welcome to our new curate Fr Sunny Joseph, who is a member of the Missionary Congregation of St Therese of the Child Jesus. Fr Sunny, from Kerala in India, is the second member of his Congregation to come to our Diocese, the first being Fr Noble Joseph, who is at St Austin's, Wakefield.

We welcome the **Bradford Catholic Girls' Choir** to our 9.45am Masses this morning. Choirmaster Daniel Rodriguez is very familiar to pupils in our primary schools. The Choir will be singing each month during this academic year.

Farewell to our Parish **Youth Worker, Andy Watts**, who leaves us today at the end of this three-year contract which was made possible by the Assumption Legacy Fund. We are grateful to Andy for so effectively fostering a culture of accompaniment of our young people. He will soon take up a post in a parish in Minnesota in the United States.

The annual **Mass count** continues this w/e & next.

Following Fr Sunny's appointment, we will now have **two extra mid-week Masses**: Monday, 12pm, St Win's; Friday 8am, St Win's.

Please note that all parishioners are always welcome at the Masses we celebrate in our primary schools. The children love to see new grown-ups!

This Friday Fr Paul will be taking **Holy Communion to housebound parishioners** in Moor Top, Low Moor and Wyke .

Fr Sunny will be away from the parish this week between Wed and Fri at a meeting of his Congregation. **Fr Paul** will be away on Thursday at a Consult of the Old Brotherhood in London.

Copies of the Minutes of the **recent PPC** and the associated Group/Committee/Schools reports will be available next week.

The Parish Property Committee has decided that from now on our **hall hire rates** will be £30ph for St J's and £35ph for St W's. The increased revenue will offset increased utility costs and pay for extra cleaning, for everybody's benefit.

Inn Churches Winter Shelter. St Win's Hall will be hosting the Winter Shelter from Mon 3rd March to Sunday 9th March 2025. We had around 50 volunteers last year who helped with the shelter. If you would like to volunteer again, or wish to join our group please contact Mary-Jo 07865172522 or maryjo.daly@icloud.com. Please get in touch before 1st Nov 2024. All Volunteers welcome.

Appeal for **winter clothes for Catholic Care Community Market** - please leave any donations at the back of either church.

The **UCM would like thank parishioners** for their generous support at the recent MacMillan Cake and Bun Sale which raised £212.75.

Forthcoming events

Forty Days for Life: Join fellow parishioners praying outside Leeds MSI Reproductive Choices, 5-7pm, Wed 9th, 16th & 30th Oct. Depart St W's Pres at 4pm. Bk your place at the Parish Office.

Monday 7th October, 7.30pm: Batley Torchlight Procession. Travel by minibus. Price: £2. Book place: Parish Office. Depart Presbytery: 6.15pm.

Tues 8th Oct, 7pm: Valedictory Mass and Party for Fr Festus, St J's Church & Hall. Donation envelopes available in porches for his present.

Families, young people and children

Sat 12th Oct, 3.15-6.15pm: First Holy Communion Family Catechesis, including Vigil Mass, St W's Hall and Church.

Sun 13th Oct, 3.30pm: Young Christian Workers. An opportunity to reflect on life in the light of the gospel and set personal goals. Presbytery.

Sat 19th Oct, 3-5pm: Family Activities Afternoon, St W's Hall. Table tennis, indoor football, crafts, catechesis, tea and cake.

Adult formation

Would you like to become a Catholic? Next session of our Catholic Enquiry Group: Tues (7.45-9pm) 29th Oct.

Bible Study: 10.30-11.45am, Wed 18 Oct, St W's Hall.

Baptism Prep for Parents: Sats, 11am, 9th; 16th; 23rd Nov, St J's Hall. Just for the first child.

Diocesan Notices

Please see the separate bulletin.

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.