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PRAY FOR UKRAINE & THE HOLY LAND

THE PARISH OF ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS

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SUNDAY 2nd FEBRUARY 2025

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Psalm Response: *The Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory!*

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia. A light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel. Alleluia.*

Readings: *Malachi 3:1-4, Ps 24(23), Hebrews 2:14-18,*

Gospel: *Luke 2:22-40*

Lately Dead: Dimitrio Begaj.

Anniversaries: Maureen Brotherton

Walsingham. We have a few places left on the Parish Pilgrimage- May 19th to May 22nd. Cost £450 - inclusive of travel & full board accommodation. Please contact Joanna ASAP on 01274 594835 or joannahighfold@gmail.com

Preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation & First Communion: Please can anyone with children in Y3 or older who wish to make their first Reconciliation or Y4 who are wishing to make First Communion get in touch with me at school via email : fiona.hahn@wal.bcwcat.co.uk or phone 01274 531102

Bradford Metropolitan Foodbank: Our next collection will be on Wednesday 5th February in the car park. Contributions can be dropped into the boxes at the back of either of our churches or into the parish centre at your own convenience. Thank you for your continued support.

Jubilee Year Prayer Vigil: St Mary's, Batley will be hosting a Prayer Vigil entitled; "Crucem, Hostia et Virginem" (the Cross, the Host and the Virgin Mary) on the 1st Friday of each month in 2025. There will be an opportunity for Confession, Adoration, Mass and receiving the Jubilee Indulgence. Friday 7 February at 6pm

Storage Room Keys: the bunch of keys has disappeared from its usual place at St Walburga's. Did anyone accidentally forget them in their pocket? Kindly bring them back if you find them!

Keep praying for Ukraine, the Holy land, and the populations of all war-torn countries.

Safeguarding Conference: *Saturday 8th February 2025, 10-3pm*, Hinsley Hall. Guest speakers include the Comboni Survivors Group, Hydrant Programme and Dementia Friendly Churches. A great opportunity to be part of the discussion and sharing of information, to book your place please email safeguarding@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Open Information Session on the Diaconate: Are you inquisitive about the Ministry of a Deacon? Then you are invited to attend an open Information session at Hinsley Hall on *Saturday 8 February, 10.30am – 12pm*. For more information and to register please contact david.arblaster@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Short Retreat 'Time to Meet the God of Surprises': led by Fr Chris Thomas *11 - 13 February at The Briery, Ilkley*. Fr Chris Thomas leads the Irenaeus Project in Liverpool, a retreat centre and the Archdiocese of Liverpool's Centre for Spirituality and Outreach. His retreats promise to be thoughtful, inspiring and perhaps a little challenging! Residential or non-residential places available. Contact the Administrator admin@briery.org.uk 01943 607287 for more information or to book.

Youth 2000 Leeds Retreat: offers young adults (aged 16-35) from across Leeds and beyond the opportunity to come together and explore what it means to be in relationship with God. Offering the opportunity to encounter Jesus in the Eucharist, grow in relationship with Him and His Mother, and form friendships with other young adults from the local area. *Saturday 15 February*, Leeds Trinity University, Brownberrie Lane, Horsforth LS18 5HD. Book: <https://www.youth2000.org/events>.

The Annual Lourdes Dinner Dance: will take place on *Friday 28 February* at the Met Hotel in Leeds, Tickets are £40 each or £375 for a table of 10, Ticket price includes a reception drink, a 3-course dinner and entertainment throughout the night. Please contact Phil Marshall for tickets or more info on 07766 148375 or at philmarshall49@hotmail.com

Leeds Cathedral Guided Tours Winter Programme: Free Guided Tours take place on the following Saturdays at 1.30pm: *15th February and 22nd March*. The tours last about 1 hour. No booking is required. On arrival, please gather by the Baptismal Font at the back of the Cathedral.

Little Sisters Fundraising Event: On *Friday 28 February 7.30pm* at Irish Centre Tara Suite. Tickets £25.00. Meal of soda bread, Irish stew and dessert, also Irish band dancing, sing-along, auction and raffle. Please come along and support the Little sisters and have a great night of entertainment. All proceeds to go towards rebuilding of Mount St Joseph's. Contact details Sr. Christina. Email funds.leeds@lsplondon.co.uk

New Catholic Care vacancies: follow [this link](#)

Assistant Headteacher Vacancy: St. Mary's Catholic Primary School, Horsforth, Start: April 2025. Closing date: *Friday 07 February*. Further info [here](#). To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Helen Tye, h.tye@stmaryshorsforth.org

School Social Worker Vacancy: Salary: Currently £30,559 - £35,235, pro rata dependent on qualifications and experience. Post: Permanent Part time or 1 X Fixed term 15 hours to cover Maternity Leave. Location: West and North Yorkshire. Social Work Qualification required. Closing Date: Open until the vacancy has been filled.

Online Resource for Readers at Mass: Three short videos on '*Proclaiming the Word from the New Lectionary: a Refresher for Readers*' have been produced by the Diocese to form a simple and concise guide and provide some useful "DOs and DON'Ts" for women and men who exercise the important ministry of reading at Mass. Access videos via our [YouTube channel](#)

New Bereavement Ministry Training: We are very pleased to be able to offer another presentation of this two-day course for those wishing to learn the basics of grief and how to accompany those who are grieving. The next training will be on *Saturday 22 March and Saturday 5 April* (9.45am – 4pm each day) at The Briery. For more information or an application form please contact the Elizabeth Prout Bereavement Care team at epbereavementcare@dioceseofleeds.org.uk.

Diocesan Pilgrimage To Lourdes: *Fri 4 - Thurs 10 July*. Bookings are now open. The theme is 'With Mary, Pilgrims of Hope', to coincide with the Jubilee Year of Hope. The Jubilee is a major celebration in which pilgrims are invited to immerse themselves in God's infinite mercy. Early booking strongly recommended. In anticipation of higher than usual numbers, transfers will be offered to and from Stansted Airport once the Leeds flight is full. Please book via the [Tangney website](#) or by phone directly with Tangney Tours. Further information is available on the [Diocesan website](#).

Refreshments after 9:15 Mass at St Walburga's & after 11:00 Mass at St Aidan's: every Sunday in the parish room and hall. Please come along for a drink, biscuits (sometimes cake!!) and a chat. Everyone welcome.

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Headteacher of St Walburga's School (01274 531102): Mrs E. Fearnley

Headteacher of St Anthony's School (01274 592738): Mr A. Wilkinson

<u>Sunday 2nd February 2025</u> <u>The Presentation of the Lord</u>	5:45pm Vigil Mass - St Walburga's 9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am – St Aidan's	Martin Monaghan Maureen Brotherton (A.) Stan Fitzsimmons (B'day Rem.)
<u>Monday 3rd</u> St Blaise, Bishop and Martyr	N.B. 9:15am – St. Walburga's School <i>-all welcome-</i> 12:00pm – St Walburga's	People of the Parish (Y5 Mass +blessing of throats) Helena Dorosz (A.) (Mass with blessing of throats)
<u>Tuesday 4th</u>	10:00am – St. Walburga's	Canon Kevin Firth
<u>Wednesday 5th</u> St Agatha, Virgin & Martyr	10:00am – St Walburga's	Margaret Dunne (L.D.)
<u>Thursday 6th</u> Ss Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs of Japan.	10:00am - St. Walburga's	Special Intention P.M.
<u>Friday 7th</u>	10:00am - St. Walburga's	David Adolph
<u>Saturday 8th</u> <i>St Jerome Emiliani</i>	10:00am – St. Walburga's 5:45pm Vigil Mass – St. Walburga's	Bebe, Elsie, Alice and all the injured. Bishop Marcus Stock
<u>Sunday 9th February 2025</u> <u>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>	9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am – St Aidan's	People of the Parish Elizabeth Hargreaves (L.D.)