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PRAY FOR UKRAINE & THE HOLY LAND

THE PARISH OF ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS

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SUNDAY 18th JANUARY 2026

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

Psalm Response: *Behold, I have come, Lord, to do your will.* - **Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, alleluia. The Word became flesh and dwelt among us; to all who did receive him, he gave the authority to become children of God. Alleluia!* - **Readings:** Isaiah 49:3, 5-6, Psalm 40(39), 1 Corinthians 1:1-3 - **Gospel:** John 1:29-34

Readers: *St Walburga's Vigil:* J. Morris, J. Jackson - *9:15:* S. Edwards, N. Jamili

<u>Lately Dead:</u> Francesco Proietti, Tina Brodowski – <u>Anniversaries:</u> Patricia Livesey, Vincent Livesey, Eileen d'Arcy, Michael Gleeson, Leo Balaram.

Bradford Deanery Mass for Nigeria: you are invited to attend a Mass for peace and reconciliation in the country on Tuesday 20th January at 7:00pm at St Joseph's Church, Bradford.

Parish Pastoral Council: *reminder:* the next meeting will be this coming Wednesday 21st January at 6:30pm in St Walburga's Parish Room.

Parish trip to the Panto: Just a reminder that the trip to see Robin Hood at Victoria Hall Keighley is on Sunday 26th January! Please meet outside the venue at 2.00 where you will receive your tickets for a great afternoon!!

Offertory Collections	St Walburga's	St Aidan's
11 th January '26	£ 297.55	£ 85.20

In the Footsteps of Our Northern Saints - Parish Pilgrimage: Cost £480. We will visit Stanbrook, Ampleforth, Byland, Whitby & Rievaulx Abbeys. We will stay at Wyedale Hall near Scarborough. If you are interested, please contact Joanna 07968024919. **Only a few places left!** Date to be confirmed April/May

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

Free Books: Available in the church porch at St Walburga's, and also in the sacristy area. Lots of books on many different subjects for you to take away and enjoy. Please help yourselves to as many as you want. Any left after a few weeks will be taken to the charity book shop.

A Day for Catechists "for such as these": Saturday 24th January, 10am-3pm offered by the Diocesan Vicariate for Education - Hinsley Hall. A day aimed at those involved with Children's Liturgy of the Word and other ministry with children. We will explore different resources and ideas to best form our children and young people - with times of prayer, input, Mass and discussion. Free event with lunch provided. Please email formation@dioceseofleeds.org.uk to book your place.

Information Session for the Permanent Diaconate: For the attention of men between 35-55 years who may be considering a calling to an ordained ministry. There is to be an informal information session on the diaconate on Saturday 24th January at Hinsley Hall between 10.30-12.30. For further details see the flyer or contact Deacon Joe on joseph.cortis@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Relics of St Gerard Majella: The Diocese will have the privilege of hosting the relics of St Gerard Majella at various venues across the Diocese in the week of 26th January. He is popularly invoked as a patron of mothers, particularly expectant mothers, couples trying to conceive, and those looking for work. Come along to pray in front of his relics, participate in Mass and receive a blessing with his relics. They will be at St Joseph's Church, Bradford, on Tuesday 27th January. Mass at 6:30pm. The church will be open an hour before Mass for personal prayer. For other times, dates and venues please see poster on the noticeboard.

The Twelve – 2nd Survey for Young People: The Twelve, the Youth Leadership Team for the Diocese of Leeds, are doing more research into the engagement of young people within their parish and would like to hear from even more young people! The research includes roles that young people undertake, training opportunities, and general ideas for further engagement of young people in the parish. The new survey can be accessed by scanning the QR code on the poster on the noticeboard, or through [this link](#). Thank you!

Franciscan Friars of the Renewal - Discipleship Days: Please join the Franciscan Friars (CFR's) at St Patrick's Mission Church, Bradford. The theme is "Called to Holiness: The Second Vatican Council after 60 Years" **February 7** - Rosary, Holy Mass, reflection on Second Vatican Council documents, Confessions, Eucharistic adoration. Lunch provided.

Irish Night Fundraiser: in aid of the Little sisters of the Poor rebuild fund, February 27th, 2026, 7.30pm - Irish Centre, York Road, Leeds. Irish meal soda bread and Irish dessert, Irish music and dancing. Auction, raffle and football card, tickets on sale in Irish Centre and also contact Sister Christina email funds.leeds@lsplondon.co.uk

Senior Grants And Fundraising Officer Vacancy: The Finance Department of the Diocese of Leeds, is recruiting a Senior Grants and Fundraising Officer. Based at Hinsley Hall, Leeds. More details at [Diocese of Leeds vacancies](#). Deadline for applications is Friday, 30 January 2026 and first interviews to be held on Wednesday, 4 February 2026.

Lourdes Nurses Volunteer Appeal: Are you a qualified nurse? Would you like to join the diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes (3-9 July 2026)? Please contact: lourdes.enquiries@dioceseofleeds.org.uk for further information. We desperately need registered nurses to join the team to enable our assisted pilgrims to travel to Lourdes. This is a wonderful experience, and many return year after year. Please consider joining our friendly, happy team of volunteers and enjoy a truly blessed week with our assisted pilgrims.

Assistant Head of Philosophy, Theology and Ethics Vacancy: Notre Dame Catholic Sixth Form College, Leeds. Start: January 2026 or as soon after. Closing date: 22 January 2026 Further info: please visit <https://www.notredamecoll.ac.uk/vacancies> To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Louise Jackson l.jackson@notredamecoll.ac.uk

Catholic Care Is Recruiting: Adult LD Waking Night Support Workers – Sutton in Craven –Part time. Salary £24,892 - £26,096 pro rata. Please email CV to recruitment@catholic-care.org.uk

Join Bishop Marcus in Praying for Vocations: *Our Lady of Unfailing Help! Pray that the Lord of the Harvest will send labourers into His harvest and that He will grant an abundance of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life within the Diocese of Leeds, and throughout the world. Amen.*

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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School Newsletters: [SBSJ](#) - [St Walburga's School](#) - [St Anthony's School](#)

<u>Sunday 18th January</u> <u>2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A</u>	5:45pm Vigil – St. Walburga's 9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am – St Aidan's	Brian Otto (<i>L.D.</i>) People of the Parish Scott Paul Moore and Denise Taylor
<u>Monday 19th</u> <i>St Wulstan, Bishop</i>	12:00pm - St Walburga's	Marija Gutmanis
<u>Tuesday 20th</u> <i>St Sebastian, Martyr</i>	10:00am - St. Walburga's 12:00pm - St Aidan's	Brian Otto (<i>L.D.</i>) <i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion</i>
<u>Wednesday 21st</u> St Agnes, Virgin & Martyr	N.B. 9:00am – St Walburga's	Richard Cawley (<i>A.</i>)
<u>Thursday 22nd</u> <i>St Vincent, Deacon & Martyr</i>	N.B. 8:00am - St Walburga's	Maureen Thompson
<u>Friday 23rd</u>	N.B. 9:00am - St Walburga's 11:00am - St- Walburga's 12:00pm - St Aidan's	Vincent Livesey (<i>A.</i>) <i>Funeral Service for Restituta Brodowski</i> <i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion</i>
<u>Saturday 24th</u> St Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church	N.B. 9:00am - St Walburga's 5:45pm Vigil – St. Walburga's	Patricia Livesey (<i>A.</i>) Michael Gleeson (<i>A.</i>)
<u>Sunday 25th January</u> <u>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A</u>	9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am – St Aidan's	People of the Parish Leo Balaram (<i>A.</i>)