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PRAY FOR UKRAINE & THE HOLY LAND

THE PARISH OF ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS

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SUNDAY 11th OCTOBER 2026

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

Psalm Response: *In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for length of days unending.* -

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia. May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know the hope to which he has called us.*

Alleluia. - **Readings:** Isaiah 25:6-10a, Psalm 23(22), Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20, - **Gospel:** Matthew 22:1-14

Readers: *St Walburga's* **5:45pm Vigil:** Barbara Kelly, John Macnamara

9:15am: Nathan Jamili, Michael Byrne

Lately Dead:

Catherine Patricia Walker, St Clair Hunte, Hillary Robinson, Judy Midgley

Prisoners' Sunday - this Sunday is the National Day of Prayer for prisoners and their families, and an opportunity to direct our thoughts and prayers to the needs of the men, women and young people in prison, and their children and families. Please support **PACT**, the national Catholic charity which serves them. There will be a retiring collection. You can also donate at <https://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/donate/>

Next weekend: World Mission Sunday: there will be a second collection for the Association for the Propagation of the Faith – Missio -, the Pope's charity for World's Mission, celebrating 100 years.

October is the month of the Rosary - a beautiful way of praying which takes us through the lives of Mary & Jesus. It is prayed in the Lady Chapel at St. Walburga's every Saturday morning after 10.30 Mass, and it is offered for the world & for our Parish & your intentions. Why not come along? - it only takes 10 minutes.

MacMillan Coffee Morning Many thanks to everyone who supported the MacMillan Coffee Morning in any way. It was a lovely event for a wonderful charity. We raised £795 including many donations. Thank you all so much.

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

St Aidan's Gates: can everyone who uses the gates at St Aidan's please wait until they click all the way back, both in and out. Failure to do this interferes with the mechanics and causes the gates to break down. Thank you for your cooperation.

	St Walburga's	St Aidan's
Offertory Collection 27 Sept.'26	£516.05	£204.26
Offertory Collection 4 Oct. '26	£421.40	£219.25

Parish Website: now fully functional. You will find the digital copy of the bulletin - with clickable links - at the bottom of the homepage: <https://stteresabenedicta.org/>

Parish Pastoral Council meeting: a meeting of the PPC is scheduled for Wednesday 21st October at 6:30pm. If you have an item which you would like to be included on the agenda, please contact the office.

Baby Loss Awareness Week - 9th-15th October: Please pray for all the much-loved babies who died too soon, and for the families affected by miscarriage, stillbirth and neonatal death. 1 in 7 known pregnancies in the UK ends in miscarriage.

Leeds Cathedral Guided Tours Autumn Programme: A Free Guided Tour will take place on the following Saturdays during the autumn: 31 October (starting at 2.00pm) and on 21 November and 12 December when the tours start at 1.30pm. The tour lasts about 1 hour. No booking is required. On arrival, please gather by the Baptismal Font at the back of the Cathedral.

Handmaids Women's Group: Join the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal for Adoration, Music, Rosary, opportunity for Sacrament of Reconciliation and refreshments. Fridays 6th November, 4th December 7-8.30pm Corpus Christi Church, Neville Road, Leeds.

Franciscan Friars of the Renewal - Discipleship Days 2026-2027: Please join the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal (CFR's) for our Discipleship Days at St Patrick's Mission Church, Bradford. The theme is "May the Lord Give You Peace". November 7, December 5, January 9, February 6, March 6, April 3, May 1. The day includes Rosary, Holy Mass, a talk, Confessions, and a Holy Hour with Eucharistic adoration, 11.45am - 4:30 pm. Lunch will be provided.

RCIA Process Formation: Join the Vicarate for Education on Saturday 7th November at Hinsley Hall (10am – 4pm) to explore how to accompany and support those discerning the Catholic faith through the RCIA process. Ideal for parish volunteers, catechists, and anyone interested in faith formation. Come and discover practical insights, shared experiences, and ways to help guide others closer to Christ. To reserve your free place by October 23rd, email formation@dioceseofleeds.org.uk / visit www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/education/cpd-2025/

Catholic Care vacancies: <https://catholic-care.org.uk/recruitment/>

Online Gospel Meditations: Throughout the year, the Briery Retreat Team deliver fortnightly guided meditations via Zoom, with time for reflection and sharing. These are on Thursday from 7.30pm to 8.15pm. The 'doors' open at 7.15 for a chat and introductions. All are welcome. Register for the link by email admin@briery.org.uk

40 Days for Life - Prayer, Fasting and Peaceful Vigil: *until 1st November 7:00am-7:00pm.* Join us in being a voice for the voiceless. Location just over 150 meters from MSI Reproductive Choices abortion facility at the junction of Chapeltown Road and Barrack Road LS7 4AW. This complies with current buffer-zone law. To get involved contact Chris Redding 07815 681343 email: 40daysforlifeleeds@gmail.com. Further information at www.40daysforlife.com/leeds

Bradford Catholic Players present *West Side Story*, one of the most powerful and enduring works in musical theatre! *Wednesday 18th to Saturday 21st November* at Yeadon Town Hall. Theatre. Tickets: email bcptickets@live.co.uk or call 07305 632513. Also available at ticketsource.co.uk/bradfordcatholicplayers

Diocesan Faith Formation Events: Many Catholic adults wish to discover more about their faith. The Vicariate for Education is offering a wide range of faith development events during 2026/27. To find out more, scroll down to "Faith Formation": www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/education/cpd-2025

Castlerigg Manor: October half term, quiet retreat - a few days of peace, relaxation and prayer in the Lake District <https://castleriggmanor.com/events/>

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.*

Online Donations: <https://donate.mydona.com/st-teresa-benedicta-shipley>

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Website: the new website is on its way, please be patient...

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

<u>SUNDAY 11th OCTOBER</u> <u>28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</u>	5:45pm Vigil – St. Walburga's 9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am – St Aidan's	Joseph Louram (A.) Leonard Mosley (A.) People of the Parish
<u>Monday 12th</u> St Wilfrid, Bishop Patron of the Diocese	12:00pm - St Walburga's	Hillary Robinson (L.D.)
<u>Tuesday 13th</u> <i>St Edward the Confessor</i>	10:00am - St Walburga's 12:00pm - St Aidan's 6:30pm – St Walburga's	Joint Schools Mass in Church <i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion</i> <i>Reception of St Clair Hunte</i>
<u>Wednesday 14th</u> <i>St Callistus I, Pope and Martyr</i>	N.B. 11:15am - St Walburga's	Requiem for St Clair Hunte
<u>Thursday 15th</u> St Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church	N.B. 8:00am - St Walburga's	Beaumont Family
<u>Friday 16th</u> <i>St Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin</i>	9:00am - St Walburga's 12:00pm – St Aidan's	Judy Midgley (L.D.) <i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion</i>
<u>Saturday 17th</u> St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr	10:00am - St Walburga's 5:45pm Vigil – St. Walburga's	Holy Souls People of the Parish
<u>SUNDAY 18th OCTOBER</u> <u>29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</u>	9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am – St Aidan's	Stephen Davy (L.D.) Irene Allen (L.D.)