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PRAY FOR UKRAINE & THE HOLY LAND

THE PARISH OF ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS

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SUNDAY 25th OCTOBER 2026

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

Psalm Response: *I love you, Lord, my strength.* - **Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, alleluia. If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him. Alleluia.* - **Readings:** Exodus 22:21-27, Psalm 18(17), 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10 - **Gospel:** Matthew 22:34-40

Readers: *St Walburga's* **5:45pm Vigil:** Chande Tapa, Mick Moriarty
9:15am: Gerry Cooper, Sally Edwards

<u>Lately Dead:</u> Catherine Patricia Walker, Anrzej Pawlowski. Andrew Hart <u>Anniversaries:</u> Norma Mosley, Carolyn Blake

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.

Sacrament of Confirmation: If your child is in Year 6 or above and would like to enrol in preparations for the Sacrament of Confirmation starting shortly, please email Fiona Hahn via office@wal.bcwcath.co.uk - Enquiries can also be made via this email regarding First Reconciliation (Year 3) and First Holy Communion (Year 4) for 2027.

Parish Pastoral Council meeting: the PPC meeting has been postponed and will take place Wednesday 4th November at 6:30pm. If you have an item which you would like to be included on the agenda, please contact the office.

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.

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

St Aidan's Keyholders: in order to keep our parish records up to date, we need a list of St Aidan's keyholders. Please email the office with your details as soon as possible.

	St Walburga's	St Aidan's
Offertory Collection 18 Oct '26	£402.08	£173.60
MISSIO Collection	£177.55	£154.74

Live@AvondaleClub *Sunday, 25th October 7.30pm* with Murray McEwan and Clive Beggs. Two for the 'price' of one this month! First, we have Murray - acoustic pop and rock and then Clive - singer / songwriter playing folk / Americana. Enjoy the music, good conversations and a dash of faith. Pay as You Feel (£5 *minimum suggested for those with an income*), with alcoholic and soft drinks available for purchase. A safe space to bring non-Christian friends and neighbours. Kindly hosted by The Avondale Club, 19 Bradford Road, Shipley, BD18 3PJ

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/

St Joseph's Catholic College Past Pupils' Day: *Saturday 21 November.* Mass at 11:30am, followed by lunch (£15). To book your place, reply with dietary requirements by 13 November to James Jackson: jjackson@sbsj.co.uk & 01274 941941

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

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

Growing Old Gracefully Carers Project: An online support group for unpaid carers has two sessions on the *first Wednesday of the month at 2.00pm and 7.30pm*. If you care for a friend, neighbour or family member you are invited to join us for the opportunity to make new friends, chat and have space and time to pray. Contact Michelle for more information or to register carersproject@growingoldgracefully.org.uk

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

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 25th OCTOBER</u> <u>30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</u>	5:45pm Vigil – St. Walburga's 9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am – St Aidan's	Patricia Walker People of the Parish Janet Cook
<u>Monday 26th</u> <i>Ss Chad and Cedd, Bishops</i>	12:00pm - St Walburga's	Catherine Patricia Walker (<i>L.D.</i>)
<u>Tuesday 27th</u>	10:00am - St Walburga's 12:00pm - St Aidan's	Mary Denham <i>R.I.P.</i> <i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion</i>
<u>Wednesday 28th</u> <u>Ss Simon and Jude, Apostles</u>	N.B. 8:00am - St Walburga's	Holy Souls
<u>Thursday 29th</u>	N.B. 9:00am - St Walburga's	Denham/McKevitt
<u>Friday 30th</u>	N.B. 9:00am - St Walburga's 12:00pm – St Aidan's 1:00pm – St Walburga's	Holy Souls <i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion</i> Requiem for Andrzej Pawlowski (<i>in Latin</i>)
<u>Saturday 31st</u>	10:00am - St Walburga's 5:45pm Vigil – St. Walburga's	Holy Souls Catherine Patricia Walker (<i>L.D.</i>)
<u>SUNDAY 1st NOVEMBER</u> <u>ALL SAINTS</u>	9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am – St Aidan's	People of the Parish Kevin & Margaret Doherty – <i>50th Wed. Anniv.</i>