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PRAY FOR UKRAINE & THE HOLY LAND

THE PARISH OF ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS

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SUNDAY 8th NOVEMBER 2026

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

Remembrance Sunday

Psalm Response: *For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God.*
Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia. Stay awake and be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect. Alleluia.*
Readings: Wisdom 6:12-16, Psalm 63(62), 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

Readers: *St Walburga's* 5:45pm Vigil: Joanna Jackson, Chande Tepa
9:15am: Nick Buck, Brian Gresswell

Lately Dead: Alec Beyer, Barry Jarvis, Moira McDonagh, Helen Kathleen Dyte – ***Anniversaries***: Vera Clark – ***Cemetery Sundays***: Prayers for the Dead and blessing of the graves, Nab Wood *Sunday 15 November* and Charlestown - *Sunday 22 November* – For both, meet by the chapel at 2:00pm.

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.bcwcat.co.uk - Enquiries can also be made via this email regarding First Reconciliation (Year 3) and First Holy Communion (Year 4) for 2027.

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

Bradford Metropolitan Foodbank: Thank you for continuing to support our collections for the Foodbank, this month's was another success. Our collection was bolstered by a fantastic collection from the children St Anthony's School who had collected for the Foodbank during their Harvest Celebrations - the Foodbank sent a special thankyou to them! Our next collection will be on *Wednesday 2nd December 12.00-1.00 pm*

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

Offertory Collection	St Walburga's	St Aidan's
25 October 2026	£ 495.85	£ 192.11
1 November 2026	£ 481.31	£ 239.49

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 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.

Icon 'Queen of the Franciscan Family': on display in Leeds Cathedral from *Friday 13th to Tuesday 17th November.* It was written in Lithuania in 2018. It has been on pilgrimage since then travelling through Europe and visiting Franciscan Holy places also Friaries, Convents and Fraternities. The Franciscan Family is illustrated in the 3 cameos at base of the Icon St Francis of Assisi St Clare of Assisi and St Elizabeth of Hungary (patroness of OFS). *Under the small images are Relics from each Saint*.

Film Presentation Land of Canaan: SPARK Social Justice is presenting this beautiful film about growing and sustaining olive groves in Palestine. It will be shown on *Friday 20 November* at St Chad's parish hall on Otley Road in Headingley. The film starts at 7pm. See sparksocialjustice.org.uk for more details and how to book tickets

Leeds Cathedral Guided Tours Autumn Programme: A Free Guided Tour will take place on the following Saturdays during the autumn: *21 November and 12 December* 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.

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

Handmaids Women's Group: Join the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal for Adoration, Music, Rosary, opportunity for Sacrament of Reconciliation and refreshments. *Friday* 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". *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.

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

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

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

Join the catholic medical association: Whether you are a doctor, nurse, student, or allied professional — if you are a Catholic in healthcare, join us to grow in fellowship, prayer and formation together. For more information & upcoming events, visit: https://catholicmedicalassociation.org.uk

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

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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SUNDAY 8th NOVEMBER **32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** *Remembrance Sunday*	5:45pm Vigil – St. Walburga's 9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am– St Aidan's	People of the Parish Patricia Walker Holy Souls
Monday 9th **The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**	12:00pm - St Walburga's	Barry Jarvis *(L.D.)*
Tuesday 10th St Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church	10:00am - St Walburga's 12:00pm - St Aidan's	Helen Kathleen Dyte *(L.D.)* *Service of the Word with Holy Communion*
Wednesday 11th St Martin of Tours, Bishop	10:00am **-** St Walburga's	Vera Clark *(A.)*
Thursday 12th St Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr	**N.B. 8:00am -** St Walburga's	Holy Souls
Friday 13th	**N.B. 9:00am**- St Walburga's 12:00pm – St Aidan's	Joseph Cribbin & Family *Service of the Word with Holy Communion*
Saturday 14th	10:00am - St Walburga's 5:45pm Vigil – St. Walburga's	Holy Souls Patricia Walker
SUNDAY 15th NOVEMBER **33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**	9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am – St Aidan's 2:00pm – Nabwood Cemetery*	Holy Souls People of the Parish *Prayers for the Dead, blessing of the graves*

*Meet at the Chapel