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PRAY FOR UKRAINE & THE HOLY LAND

THE PARISH OF ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS

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SUNDAY 15th NOVEMBER 2026

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

Psalm Response: *Blessed are all who fear the Lord*
Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia. Abide in me, and I in you, says the Lord. Whoever abides in me bears much fruit. Alleluia.*
Readings: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-3, Psalm 128(127), 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6,
Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Readers: *St Walburga's* 5:45pm Vigil: Mick Moriarty, Mo Johnston.
9:15am: Tiffany Jamili, Maureen Pedarios

Lately Dead: Maurice Clarke, Stephen Masterson - ***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**.

Second Collection next Sunday for the **Youth Service**. This helps to meet the cost of running youth activities and supporting Youth workers.

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

A Healing Service will be held on *Tuesday 24 November at 7:00pm* in St. Mary's Church, Cottingley. All are welcome to come and spend time before the Blessed Sacrament in quiet reflection on the woman cured of haemorrhage.

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

Offertory Collection 8 November 2026	St Walburga's £451.28	St Aidan's £211.85

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.

Knights of St Columba Inter-Parish Quiz: next round at the Avondale Club on *Monday 30th November*, 8.00 pm. Teams ideally limited to 5, but parishes may enter more than 1 team. Format same as usual: **no** embarrassing individual questions, **free** Pie & Pea Supper, **free** engraved trophy for winners, a Raffle and good company! If you'd care to donate a Raffle Prize, we'd be eternally grateful. Drop it at the door on the night. To join in, email kscquiz@virginmedia.com by ***Friday, 27th November*** please.

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.

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

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

'Alma Mater Fund' and Abortion Recovery and Care Helpline: *(administered by the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children)* provides financial/practical support to university students facing crisis pregnancy, enabling them to continue their education while embracing motherhood. The 'Abortion Recovery and Care Helpline' (ARCH), started by women who experienced abortion and struggled in the aftermath, provides free, confidential, compassionate and non-judgemental support for those who may be carrying similar emotional and psychological effects. https://spuc.org.uk/support-hub/alma-mater/ & www.archtrust.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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SUNDAY 15th NOVEMBER **33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**	5:45pm Vigil – St. Walburga's 9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am– St Aidan's 2:00pm – Nabwood Cemetery*	Patricia Walker Holy Souls People of the Parish *Prayers for the Dead, blessing of the graves*
Monday 16th *St Margaret of Scotland*	**N.B. 12:30pm** - St Walburga's	Maria Gallagher *(Birthday)*
Tuesday 17th *St Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious*	**N.B. 8:00am** - St Walburga's 12:00pm - St Aidan's	Holy Souls *Service of the Word with Holy Communion*
Wednesday 18th *Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter and St Paul*	10:00am**-** St Walburga's	Patricia Walker
Thursday 19th	**N.B. 10:30am-** St Walburga's	Requiem for Maurice Clarke *(L.D.)*
Friday 20th	**N.B. 9:00am** - St Walburga's 12:00pm – St Aidan's	Holy Souls *Service of the Word with Holy Communion*
Saturday 21st The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	10:00am - St Walburga's 5:45pm Vigil – St. Walburga's	Jane Mansergh Beata and Marek and family
SUNDAY 22nd NOVEMBER **OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,** **KING OF THE UNIVERSE**	9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am – St Aidan's 2:00pm – Charlestown Cemetery*	Gerry Doody David Hartley *(B'day Rem.)* *Prayers for the Dead, blessing of the graves*

*Meet at the Chapel