



2025 the Jubilee Holy Year, the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord, an "event of great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church."

OUR PARISH PICNIC & MARIAN GARDEN BLESSING – A BIG...

THANK YOU

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped make last Sundays parish picnic and blessing of our new Marian Garden such a joyful and memorable occasion. From those who set up tables and prepared food, to the volunteers, and organisers behind the scenes – your generosity and hard work was truly appreciated. A special word of thanks also to all who donated towards the establishment of the Marian Garden, which is a beautiful space for prayer and reflection. May our Blessed Mother continue to intercede for our parish family.

A Big Thank You too to everyone who donated prizes for the raffle hampers. We will announce the total raised next week.

SUMMER RAFFLE: 🎉 Congratulations to our 10 winners who are listed on the notice board in the Narthex. Well done too to our guessing game winners:

GUESS THE NAME OF THE TEDDY: 🧸 Teddy's Name is Angus, and was won by Elaine Skellern

HOW MANY SWEETS WERE IN THE JAR?: 🍬 The number of sweets was 203 won by Ramon Ziade who guessed 200.

FOUNTAINS ABBEY MASS: Mass for the Feast of St Bernard, Wednesday 20th August, 12noon. All welcome. <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/yorkshire/fountains-abbey-and-studley-royal-water-garden/events>

ONE & THREE PEAKS CHALLENGE IN SUPPORT OF ST PATRICK'S MISSION: On Saturday, August 9, St Patrick's Mission will be hiking the Yorkshire Three Peaks to support the ongoing ministry in Bradford city centre. We are grateful for anyone who would like to hike with us, or who would like to volunteer to help on the day, or simply donate to the cause! To sign up, <https://www.stpatricksmisson.co.uk/event/one-and-three-peak-challenge> or to donate: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/spm-peaks25>.

SUMMER LAUDATO SI' MINI-PILGRIMAGE: ALL welcome to join our Summer Laudato Si' Mini-Pilgrimage on Saturday 9 August! 11am Mass at St Mary's Catholic Church, Knaresborough & guided walk to St Robert's Cave and Chapel of Our Lady of the Crag. Sign up via communications@dioceseofleeds.org.uk
More information at: <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/event/four-seasons-of-creation-laudato-si-mini-pilgrimage-for-summer/>

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

27 JULY 2025

In today's reading, Luke presents the core of Jesus' teaching on prayer. It consists of Jesus teaching a prayer to his disciples, a parable on the persistent neighbour, and assurances that God hears our prayers. The disciples notice Jesus praying "in a certain place." They ask him to teach them to pray just as John the Baptist had taught his disciples. Jesus teaches them a simple version of the most famous Christian prayer, the Our Father, or the Lord's Prayer. Matthew's version shows signs of being shaped by public prayer. Luke's version is probably closer to the original form that Jesus taught. Stripped of much of the language we are used to, Luke's version seems simple and direct. We pray that God's name will be recognized as holy and that his rule over all will be established. This is followed by petitions for our needs for bread, for forgiveness, and for deliverance. Luke uses the more theological language of "sins" rather than "debts," used in Matthew's version. Having taught his disciples a simple, daily prayer, Jesus goes on to reassure them that God answers prayers. He tells a parable about a persistent neighbour who asks a friend for bread at midnight. The friend is already in bed and has no desire to disturb his family by opening the door, but because the neighbour is persistent, the sleeping man gets up and gives him all that he needs. This teaching concludes with the reminder that if we seek, we will get a response. If a human father, with all his faults, knows how to give good gifts to his children, how much more will our heavenly Father give us? Instead of good gifts, however, Luke substitutes the word *Holy Spirit*. This foreshadows the gift of the Holy Spirit, who is central to Luke's theology and who will play an important role in the growth of the early Church after Pentecost. The parable and the concluding teaching in this section should not lead us to think of prayer as a series of requests presented to God. Rather, as Jesus teaches in his model prayer, prayer consists in recognizing God's holiness and his rule over all things.

MASS TIMES			
Sunday Cycle C; Weekday Cycle I; 17 th WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME	JULY/AUG 2025		SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SATURDAY VIGIL	26	5.00pm	Sheila Fish Anniversary
SUNDAY: SEVENTEENTH IN ORDINARY TIME	27	10.00am	Parish
Monday:	28	9.30am	Andrew Hollies Lately Dead
Tuesday: St Martha, Mary and Lazarus	29	7.00pm	Dead List
Wednesday:	30	12.00	Jean Hick Requiem
Thursday: St Ignatius of Loyola	31	9.30am	Dead List
Friday: St Alphonsus Liguori	1	9.30am	Private Intention
SATURDAY VIGIL	2	5.00pm	Francis Brophy Lately Dead
SUNDAY: EIGHTEENTH IN ORDINARY TIME	3	10.00am	Parish

DEVOTIONS		
Monday	8.15 – 9.15 am	Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament
Tuesday	5.45 – 6.45 pm	Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday	8.15 – 9.15 am	Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament
Friday	8.15 – 9.15 am	Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday	4.15 – 4.45 pm	Confession in the Chapel (or by appointment)

Please Note that Come Follow Me will be back again in September.

MINISTRIES OF THE WORD & HOLY COMMUNION	
Word	Extraordinary Ministers
SATURDAY 5.00 pm	
This: A Nicholls, A Kennedy, A Iwanuschak	S Jameson, T Walsh, C Szczepanski
Next: M-A Kaushiva, A Kaushiva, AM Kaushiva	A Kennedy, L Handy, D Erojikwe
SUNDAY 10.00 am	
This: S Irving, J Moran, G Swatridge	K Flood, R McCourt, *****
Next: K Flood, A Lumb, L Maher	S Wilson, R Atkinson, S Burland

OTHER MINISTRY ROTAS	This Week 26/27 JULY	Next Week 2/3 AUG
Vigil Offertory Procession	J & C De Souza	C Brandford & V Kitson
Children's Liturgy	Annette	-
Church Cleaning	Anthony	Cecil & Jacqui De Souza
Brasses	David	Maria
Saturday Tea Bar	Jill & Sue	Bola & Nnenna
Sunday Tea Bar	Sue & Steph	Maggie & Liz
Counters	Team E	Team D
Saturday Welcomers	Jill	Jacqui & Cecil De Souza
Sunday Welcomers	Rowena	Bismark

Please Note that Children's Liturgy will be back on September the 7th.

ADDITIONAL MINISTRIES AND REGULAR GROUPS	NEXT DATE	WHERE
<u>Healing and Prayer Ministry</u> For more information and testimonials please take a flyer from the Narthex.	Saturday 2 nd August	In the Chapel after Mass (To arrange an alternative time please contact the Parish Office)
<u>Pathways Bereavement Cafe</u>	Sunday 7 th September	4pm in the Parish Centre
<u>Over 60's Group</u> Are taking a Summer Break	Will be back in September	

PARISH RETREAT: This year our retreat at The Briery will take place over the weekend of 31 October to 2 November . The cost will be in the region of £190 -£200 which includes all meals from Friday teatime to Sunday Lunch. If you think you may be interested then please contact Christine Szczepanski via the parish office.

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL 2025: Taking place at Ampleforth College from Friday 22nd - Monday 25th August, the Youth 2000 Summer Festival provides young adults (aged 16-35) from across the UK the opportunity to come together and explore faith, build relationships and find hope. This four-day festival includes great speakers, social time, break-out sessions, Daily Mass, 24/7 Adoration and much more! Register at: youth2000.org/events/summerfestival2025. Tickets are also available for priests, religious, families and groups. For more information, email: events@youth2000.org.
If you would like to know more or fancy meeting up at Y2K (Saturday only), please contact Gill in the Parish Office or speak to Lauren Rayner (our flautist at Sunday morning Mass).

LEEDS CATHEDRAL GUIDED TOURS SUMMER PROGRAMME: Free Guided Tours will take place on the following dates, starting at 1.30pm: Sat. 23 August. The tours last about 1 hour. No booking required. On arrival, please gather by the Baptismal Font at the back of the Cathedral.