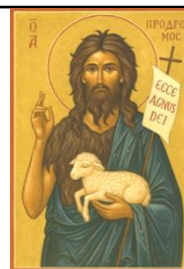


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Day	Time	Liturgical Celebration week beginning - 11/07/26	Intention
Sat	6pm	Vigil for 15 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	People of the Parish (Missa pro Populo)
Sun	10am	15 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Simon Tuft - Intentions
Mon	9:30am	Feria	Ruth Burton
Tues	9:30am	Feria	Yorkshire Brethren
Wed	12noon	Feria	Rev Fr. J. Carter (YB)
Thurs	7pm	Our Lady of Mount Carmel (with Scapular Blessing)	Dorothy Holley
Fri	9:30am	Feria (Adoration to 10:30am)	Helen Wilkinson (YB)
Sat	6pm	Vigil for 16 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	People of the Parish (Missa pro Populo)
Sun	10am	16 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Eileen and Patrick Lyons

Confessions: Saturday - 5:15pm - 5:45pm or on request in Church

Alms Box – Bethlehem Hospice Care

Parish Website QR code



Sick List: Eddie Gillen, Ann Cunningham, Julie Morrison, Pascalina Notsi, Shelia Kaye, Lynne Hartill, Justin Martin, Grahame Walker, Margaret Crompton, Jimmy Bradley, John O'Hara, Zakiia Horodnichenko, Erik Zaskalko, Connor Harrington, Gloria Lenord and Margaret Reape.

In your charity please pray for the repose of the soul of Dennis Sandham who died 26th June. Please remember Christine and all the family in your prayers. Dennis' Funeral Service will be 28th July at 11:15 in St John's. *May he rest in peace.*

Diocesan Second Collection, this weekend, for the Apostleship of the Sea.

The next SVP meeting is on the 30th July 2026 after evening Mass at 7.45 or 7.15 if there is no evening Mass, meeting in the Narthex - everyone is welcome to attend to see what is happening with the SVP in Normanton.

A Healing Mass will be held on the 2nd August 2026 here at St Johns at 3pm all parishioners are welcome to attend.

The Healing Mass will be followed with a Parish Social - BBQ and food - if you want to attend please put your name on the list at the back of church - we just need to know how many beef burgers will be required!

Anyone who wants refreshments please put your name on the list - there will be sandwiches/nibbles as well as the BBQ - please let's make this free parish event a successful one.

The SVP will be undertaking a sponsored walk of either 3 or 9 miles on the 19th July 2026. This takes place at: St Joseph's Church, Wetherby LS22 6LL. If you would like to volunteer to walk please speak to Les Joy or Sarah Mitchell. At the end of the walk there is a family fun day with face painting, treasure hunts and children's games. If you would like to attend please email leighb@svp.org.uk Alternatively please sponsor some of our SVP members – forms at the back.



16th July - Dedication and Blessing of the Scapular of the Sacred Heart and Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

The tradition of the Scapular is a long and holy one. Since the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel will be on Thursday 16th July there will be an evening Mass which will incorporate the blessing and receiving of the Scapular for those who wish to dedicate themselves to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and Our Lady in this way.

Lights:

We have been given permission for the Church relighting project to go ahead in the summer. This will mean that the plans to move the Vigil Masses in winter to the Hall or to cancel them due to Health and Safety should not be required. The project should take around three weeks (a builders three weeks), during which time Masses will be moved to the Hall and we will not have access to the Church, Mon -Fri. Funerals during that time will have two alternatives - 1. To use St Joseph's, Castleford with the kind permission of Provost Aveyard. 2. To use St Mary's, Altofts with the kind permission of the Vicar, Fr David.

I am grateful to both for their kindness.

Have we sold land to pay this the project? **NO**. Do we intend to sell land for the project? **NO**.

Is it essential? **YES** – it will halve the electricity bill for the Church

and the lights are no longer compliant, with bulbs discontinued. Fluorescent tubes are now banned by EU legislation and the old sodium bulbs are now considered 'antique'. Both were expensive to run in comparison to LED. It means that whoever comes after me will not have to do it and, since it had to be done, this is the right time to do it.

There is a new Parish Magazine at the back of the Church.

The previous one looked at Newland, the Knights Templar and Knights of St John of Jerusalem. This one has brief articles on Altofts, the Pits at Newland and St Johns, Our Lady of Czestochowa, the Cycling Forum (kids summer holiday idea!), the Yorkshire hero – Robert Aske and St Benedict. **They are free.**

Safeguarding: Please pass any safeguarding issues to Matthew Harris at PSR.Mharris@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026 CELEBRATION:

The children who have celebrated their First Holy Communion this year will celebrate together and with the Parish on **SUNDAY 6th SEPTEMBER**. There will be a 'Shared Table' after the morning Mass, so please do bring food along to share and celebrate.

CONFIRMATION 2027. (NEXT YEAR'S – YEAR 6)

Please note that since Bishop Marcus will be amalgamating three Dioceses into one, his diary will be very challenging in the coming year. Therefore, he has given permission for Parish Priests or Deaneries to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. The dates, place and times of these are yet to be decided. However, we will **NOT be celebrating Confirmation in February** as we have done for the past few years. **Parents are reminded to keep an eye on the parish Bulletin and that Confirmation celebrates active faith and commitment. Children must be practicing Catholics, who have already celebrated First Confession and First Holy Communion.**

Last Call:

If you want to take part in the training for basic CPR or basic First Aid by Prof Adam Layland this weekend is the last chance to sign-up. At the moment dates have yet to be arranged, however, we need numbers so that we can have the correct number of dummies..... just saying.

DIOCESAN:

World Youth Day 2027: The Diocese of Leeds Youth Service are excited to be offering this once in a lifetime opportunity to go on pilgrimage to Seoul, South Korea for World Youth Day 2027 as part of a Northern Diocesan Partnership! For more information and to apply, please email: youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Leeds International Organ Festival: Join us at Leeds Cathedral for the Leeds International Organ Festival, featuring a series of recitals by outstanding organists from across the UK and around the world. Mondays up to 13th July, 1.15pm, Leeds Cathedral – free entry. For more information visit <https://www.leedsiof.org/home>

CATHOLIC CARE GARDEN PARTY: Join us on Sunday 19th July 12.30pm at Catholic Care Head Office for our summer fundraiser! Enjoy live music from Voices of Yorkshire, BBQ, games, raffles, cakes and more. Browse the clothes and book sale, try henna, relax with friends and family. Free entry. Proceeds support Catholic Care's work in the community.

ADOREMUS EUCHARISTIC FESTIVAL 2026: SAVE THE DATES: 10 - 11th October. This year, after major Eucharistic events in Liverpool and Birmingham, the Adoremus Eucharistic Festival turns to London over two days. The event will include Mass in Southwark Cathedral, a keynote address, a procession of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction and an all-night vigil in Westminster Cathedral. More details to follow.

POSTGATE RALLY 2026: The Annual Postgate Rally in 2026 will take place on Sunday, 12th July at Ugthorpe. Hymns will be sung from 2:30 pm, and Holy Mass will begin at 3:00pm.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT GRACE, OSMOTHERLEY, 2026. This year, the annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley, DL6 3AP, will take place on Sunday 16th August. The Rosary will be prayed at 2:30pm, and the Bishop will preside at the Celebration of Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary at 3:00pm.

PADLEY PILGRIMAGE: The Annual Padley Pilgrimage, in honour of Blessed Robert Ludlam and Blessed Nicholas Garlick, will take place this year on Sunday 12th July. Pilgrims should assemble at 3:00pm at Grindelford Station (S32 2JA) for procession to the Chapel. Mass will begin at 3:30pm. Pilgrims are welcome to arrive early and picnic in the grounds. The Pilgrimage will be led this year by the Rt Rev Patrick McKinney, Bishop of Nottingham.

Diocese of Leeds Job Vacancy: The Finance Department of the Diocese of Leeds is looking to recruit a Diocese Finance Coordinator. Strong Excel skills and an openness to working with volunteers is essential. Please visit www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/vacancies/ for details.

Religious Freedom United Nations Petition:

Aid to the Church in Need has launched its first-ever global petition on religious freedom, calling on governments and the United Nations to do more to defend the right to believe, and to ensure that those responsible for persecution are held to account. Stand in solidarity and give witness to the importance of religious freedom for all.

To add your voice please scan the attached QR code



Bishop Marcus' Prayer for Vocations:

Prayer cards are available at the back of the Church

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.



MASS PARTS:

Kyrie eleison.
Christi eleison.
Kyrie eleison.

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus.
Dominus Deus Sabaoth!
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria
tua.

Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venti
in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi:
Miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi:
Miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi:
Dona nobis pacem.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for the Month of July:

For respect for human life. Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

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