

St. John the Baptist Roman Catholic Parish

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Day	Time	Liturgical Celebration week beginning 18/10/25	Intention
SAT	6pm	Vigil for the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Ron Raby
SUN	10am	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mission Sunday)	People of the Parish (<i>Missa pro Populo</i>)
Mon	9:30am	Feria (Rosary Group. 7-8pm)	James, Mary & Maureen Richardson
Tues	9:30am	Feria	Anne & Peter Poundall
Wed	12noon	Pope St John Paul II	Thomas Brady
Thurs	9:30am	Feria	Yorkshire Brethren
Fri	9:30am	Feria (Adoration to 10:30)	Rev Fr Peter Ryan
Sat	12noon	Our Lady, Queen of the Holy Land	Order of the Holy Sepulchre
SAT	6pm	Vigil for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	People of the Parish (<i>Missa pro Populo</i>)
SUN	10am	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time — clocks back 1hr	Agnes and Tony Robinson

Confessions: Before Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:15—5:45pm or on request in Church

Alms Box supporting - Bethlehem Hospice

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ADVANCE NOTICE: MASS ON REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY IS MOVED TO 9am
Next Sat/Sun clocks go back

Sick List: Please remember in your prayer: Molly Newton, George & Kaye Gunn, Marie Vella, Connor Harrington, Dianne and Simon MacDermott, Dr John Gallagher, Trevor Durant, John Ellis, Eddie Gillen, Peter Farrell, Ann Cunningham, Julie Morrison., Pascalina Notsi, Leslie Beaton-Brown and Shelia Kaye.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND - WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2025:

On this day, the whole Church unites in prayer for its missionary activity, and in collecting funds to support Catholic communities across the world living in situations of poverty and privation.

NEXT SUNDAY— ADVENT FAIR TEAM MEETING AFTER MASS IN THE HALL - HELPERS NEEDED

October—Month of the Holy Rosary:

Throughout the month of October we will pray a decade of the Rosary for Peace at the end of Holy Mass
 There will also be Rosary and Reflection on Monday's in October at 7pm –8pm either in the Hall or Narthex.

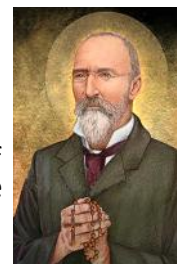
Holy Souls:

Envelopes for the enrolment of our deceased loved ones on the 'November Dead List' are available in the Narthex. Please complete the form, place it with any donation in the envelope, and put it in the Box. November Dead list Masses are offered throughout the year and remembered in all the Masses of November. The casket with the list remains on the Sanctuary throughout November and thereafter in the Sacred Heart Chapel for the rest of the year.

On Sunday, our Holy Father will raise to the Altar, in the Mass of Canonisation, Bartolo Longo, whom St John Paul II called, '**The Apostle of Holy Rosary**'. His life was an extraordinary journey.

St. Bartolo Longo reminds us that no one is beyond the reach of God's mercy.

Born in 1841, Bartolo was raised Catholic but drifted far from the faith during his university years, even becoming a satanic 'priest', lost in drug use and deep depression. Yet, through intercession of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, the prayers of loved ones and the gentle witness of faithful friends, he experienced a profound conversion. He returned to the Church, became a Third Order Dominican (a lay person who lives the life and rule of the Dominican Order in their daily life), dedicated his life to promoting the Rosary and serving the poor in Pompeii. What makes St Bartolo's story so powerful



is not just his redemption, but his response to grace. He once said, "**Charity without faith would be an absolute lie; faith without charity would be an absolute inconsistency**" and he lived this truth by building the Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii and founding charitable institutions for orphans, the children of prisoners, the marginalized and building clinics. His life echoes the parable of the prodigal son. St Bartolo did not just renounce satan and all his lies and come home; he built a home for others. He reminds us that our past does not define us—our response to God's love does. So let us ask: Where in our lives do we need to return to the Father?
 How might we, like St Bartolo, become instruments of mercy and healing for others?

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

THANK YOU!

To everyone who supported the Parish Race Night last week, it was a very successful and, as always, fun, night! Particular thanks to David and Lynn Hartill and the Fundraising Team. The final tally will be published soon, however, we did even better than last year. The funds raised will go towards the re-lighting of the Church. THANK YOU!

Join Us for Our Advent Fair – Sunday, 23rd November at 11am

This busy event is always a highlight of our parish calendar and preparations are now underway.

This year we will celebrate the rich variety of cultures that make up our community. We invite you to run a food stall, which will involve preparing and selling dishes that reflect the traditions of your particular country of origin or background. Last year, we enjoyed food from Ireland, Mexico, China, England, Namibia and Lithuania - so share your nation's dishes! Alongside the food stalls, there will also be our well-loved favourites such as the **bottle stall, cake stall, craft stalls and tombola, to name but a few.**

If you would like to help in any way, or are interested in running a stall of your own, please contact Fr Mark on the Parish email overleaf, after Mass or call, as soon as possible. We have lots of behind the scenes jobs that need your help too!

Donations are also gratefully received for the bottle stall, the tombola and GRAND RAFFLE these may be left in the narthex.

Raffle tickets will be on sale after weekend Mass from Saturday 8 November and will be available from Margaret Wilmot and Carol Hill.

Thanks to your kindness, last year's fair raised more than it has in many years. With your support once again, we hope this year's Advent Fair will be an even greater success—bringing us together as a parish while also raising funds for our church, specifically to relight the Church.

PLEASE NOTE: Monday to Saturday lunchtime the Car Parking spaces in front of Paddle and Play are reserved (as part of their contract) for their Customers only. (Not including Sundays. Please do not park in these places. Please DO NOT PARK, at ANYTIME, in front of the gates.

SVP Summer Raffle: Thank you to everyone who supported those in need by supporting the Raffle. The list of winning numbers is on the Board in the Church Entrance.

Could those who have offered to help on the door please give me 5mins after the Vigil and Sunday Mass this week.

Could EVERYONE, please stay until the end of Mass next weekend.



DIOCESAN:

40 Days for Life - prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil outside the MSI abortion facility, Leeds L7. 24th September to 2nd November, 7am to 7pm. The last sign of hope and first sign of mercy to those attending MSI Leeds. Over 24,000 lives saved by campaigns worldwide since 2007. (Please take a flyer from the back of Church). To get involved as a prayer partner or as a vigil volunteer, contact: Chris Redding 07815681343 email 40daysforlifeleeds@gmail.com Further information at www.40daysforlife.com/leeds

ANNUAL SERVICE AT KILLINGBECK CEMETERY NOVEMBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: Sunday 9th November at 2.30pm. The service, led by Canon Wall, will be in the chapel. Weather permitting, we will walk around the clergy circle reciting the rosary.

DIocese OF LEEDS COMMUNITY CHOIR: welcomes all parish musicians, parishioners, choir parents, friends, and all school/Diocesan staff to come together and sing! Rehearsals will take place at the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Moortown, 2pm - 3.30pm on 2 November and 16 November, working towards singing Mass in Leeds Cathedral on Sunday, 30th November 2025. Music will include pieces by Mozart and Bruckner. For more information email: office@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE VOLUNTEERS INFORMATION EVENING: Ever thought of going on the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes volunteering as a nurse or as part of the hospitality team but want to know more, then you are invited to an information evening about the roles and pilgrimage. Hinsley Hall, Monday 1st December, 7pm. Information, please email Phil Marshall on lourdes.enquires@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or 07766 148375. To register interest please email recruitment.lourdes@dioceseofleeds.org.uk, or simply turn up on the evening.

ANNUAL LOURDES DINNER DANCE: Friday 13th February 2026 at the Met hotel in Leeds. Tickets are available from Phil Marshall at £45 or £400 for a table of 10. The ticket price includes reception drink, a 3 course Meal, Tea & coffee, DJ and entertainment throughout the evening. To secure your tickets for this popular event, contact Phil on 07766 148375 or email philmarshall49@outlook.com. All profits at the event go to the Diocesan Lourdes fund.

CATHOLIC SAFEGUARDING STANDARDS AGENCY (CSSA) SURVIVORS' SURVEY: As part of a thematic audit of survivor engagement, the CSSA is actively seeking insight from those who have lived experience of abuse and is carrying out a public call for information. This is an opportunity for anybody with information to share with the CSSA (anonymously if you wish). To find out more about the CSSA's current public call for information, and how you can complete a survey, please visit their dedicated webpage <https://catholicsafeguarding.org.uk/contact-us-and-other-information/public-calls-for-information/>

CATHOLIC CARE RECRUITMENT - CHILDREN'S RESIDENTIAL HOME, KEIGHLEY: Senior Residential Childcare Support Workers: £34,163 – £35,668, Residential Childcare Support Workers: £32,265 – £33,674. (Salaries includes 8 sleep-ins per month). Permanent, full time (Bank positions also available.) Please contact recruitment@catholic-care.org.uk Roles also attract a welcome bonus payment of £500. (£250 on starting & £250 on successful completion of probation period). The welcome bonus applies to experienced residential workers. Driver is essential



QR code in the narthex for those who wish to donate to the Parish via the internet, or scan here: