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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 3rd DECEMBER 2023

Introductory Rite p.7; *Scripture Readings* Sunday p.82; *Creed & Rite of Offering* p.11; *Communion Rite* p.43.

WELCOME to any visitors and new parishioners.

Holy Name Church is open for private prayers every day from 9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Saturday. To enter the Church during this time, use the side door.

St Mary's Church side door will remain open on Sunday after 8.15am Mass till the end of 11am Mass.

CONFESSIONS Priests are available any time for the sacrament but specifically: Saturday mornings at both SM and HN 10.30-11am after Mass

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and simple Benediction takes place for one hour before each weekday Mass at all our churches.

NB: Exposition will only be if Mass (said by one of our priests) is taking place in that church.

ROSARY

At Holy Name following the 9.30am Monday Mass and at St Mary's from 9am prior to the 9.30am Wednesday Mass. All welcome.

OLK COFFEE MORNINGS

Every Sunday in Holy Name Hall after the 9am Mass, Assumption Hall the 9.45am Mass, St Mary's narthex after 8.15am. ***This Sunday after the 11am Mass, refreshments will be in the school hall. Everyone welcome.***

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for: Bernard Grubb, Ann & Peter Lomas, Brian Fleming. If you would like your name adding to this prayer list, please contact the parish office. **NB:** The request must have consent from the individual (or next of kin) to meet GDPR.

LATELY DEAD

Angela Creffield, Steve Welsh, Gloria De Sadeleer and Maureen Noon whose requiem will be in St Mary's Church on Wednesday 13th December at 11.30am. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

OFFERINGS

Thank you for your recent donations: £943.38

PERU MISSION FUND

A retiring collection will be taken at all Masses this weekend, **Sunday 2nd & 3rd Dec.** This collection goes to maintain our priests, sisters, and their projects among some of the world's poorest people in the shanty towns of Lima & Northern Peru.

SUNDAY MASSES

(Vigil Saturday)

Holy Name 6.30pm Eabha McInerney

St. Mary's 8.15am Sue Grey

Holy Name 9.00am People of Parish

Assumption 9.45am Int Priests & Nuns of former Sacred Heart Parish

St Mary's 11.00am Kathleen Burns

Holy Name 11.15am Int Richard Mills

MON 4th

9.30am *Holy Name* Special Int. KW

TUES 5th

9.30am *Assumption* Int the Drewery family

7.00pm *Holy Name* Private Int. SEFL

WED 6th

9.30am *St Mary's* Stan & Tess McGeever & family

THURS 7th *St Ambrose*

9.30am *Assumption* Yorkshire Brethren Society

Noon *Holy Name* Fr Bernard O'Brien

2.30pm *Holy Name* Funeral Service - Gloria De Sadeleer

5.00pm *St Mary's* Alfie Lewis (month's mind)

FRI 8th *The Immaculate Conception of the BVM*

9.30am *St Mary's* Claire Cavanagh

SAT 9th

10.00am *Holy Name* Int Aiden & Adele for healing

10.00am *St Mary's* Viven & John Kettle

11.30am *Holy Name* Baptism Ajani

11.30am *St Mary's* Baptism Adel Szabo

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND:

6.30pm (HN): Stephen Clarke 8.15am (SM): Gerard Rourke 9.00am (HN): Int Patricia Weir 9.45 (A): People of Parish 11.00am (SM): Dec'd Naughton & Munnely family 11.15am (HN): Gail Thorpe

VISITATION FROM BISHOP MARCUS

This weekend (2nd & 3rd Dec) we welcome Bishop Marcus who is visiting our parish. He will be celebrating the 6.30pm vigil at Holy Name, 8.15am at St Mary's & 9.45am at the Assumption.

FAMILY MASSES

We also welcome our families to the HN 9am & SM 11am Masses this weekend. The children will lead the readings so there will be no children's liturgy at these Masses.

HOLY NAME GOSPEL CLASS.

In line with the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency recommendations, we will be taking a register of all children and adults who attend Gospel Class each week. This will begin on Sunday 10th of December. Will adults who come across with their child please write their own name and their child's in the register. Children who come across on their own will be registered by the Gospel Class helper. Many thanks to all families who bring their children to the class, it is a joy to share the Good News with them!

MONTHS MIND MASS

On Thursday 7th Dec there will be a Mass said for the soul of Alfie Lewis. It will be a month since his tragic death and will be an opportunity for St Mary's primary school staff past and present along with his family to come together in prayer.

DIOCESAN DIRECTORIES

These are now available in all our churches. Priced £5, please leave the money in the boxes marked "Papers". Thank you.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Sylvia Wright Christmas Cards are available again this year, at the back of our 3 churches. The cards are £5 for a pack of 10. All proceeds go to support her schools for deaf and disabled in India. Just take whatever cards you want and put the money in one of the envelopes provided and put it on a Saturday or Sunday collection - or just pay online to the account shown on the display.

St Mary's piety stall have a selection of boxed or singular cards & small gifts. Which can be viewed when the church is open for Mass.

HORSFORTH COMMUNITY MINIBUS

This Horsforth based charity provides transport for Horsforth and the surrounding area. The service is aimed at those who are in need because of age (young and not so young) sickness, any disability, poverty, or lack of adequate and safe public passenger services. If you are involved in a group that could benefit from the use of this service, please get in touch with them on the contacts below. They can provide drivers or if you have the required appropriate driving license (and can complete a short competency test) the minibus can be made available for your use.

Also, the charity, which has a fund of £17,000 are currently looking for 2/3 Trustees so if you can help in anyway, please contact andrew@shearer.co.uk Thank you.

LEEDS TRINITY UNIVERSITY CAROL CONCERT

Monday 4th December 7pm in the chapel followed by free mulled wine and mince pies.

More info at: leedstrinity.ac.uk/events

COMPLINE FOR ADVENT SUNG BY LEEDS CATHEDRAL CHOIR. A recording of Compline sung by the Cathedral Choir will be broadcast on BBC Radio 3 at 9.30pm on **Monday 4 December**. The

programme will also be available for 30 days after broadcast on BBC Sounds:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m001svtx>

SVP WEBINARS

The SVP have regular zoom webinars which are a great forum to discuss various topics. The next is for the launch of the society's "Year of Encounter" campaign: Using the Catholic voice in the next General Election. **Thursday 7th December**. The campaign will seek to mobilise people across the country to engage with their candidates to make poverty a priority. If you would be interested in joining in, use the link to register:

<https://act.svp.org.uk/page/email?mid=9f38c250f3b1499a8e8cdea93e43e58c>

CAROLS IN THE PARK

Horsforth Hall Park **Sat 9th December** 3.30 - 4.45pm. More details at:

<https://www.horsforthchurchestogether.co.uk/celebrating-christmas-together-can-you-help/>

CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEA!

Father Melaku from the Comboni Missionaries (Verona Fathers) will be talking at all Masses on **Sunday 10th December** about the development of Nekemte Primary School in western Ethiopia which will provide high quality education to disadvantaged primary and, eventually, high school pupils. The first phase of the building is complete, but the classrooms need to be furnished for the first intake in September 2024. Gifts to help this happen can be purchased for family and friends - see the poster at the back of church. Please pick up an order form or contact Fr Melaku (07572 626887 or melakutafessea@yahoo.com).

CHILDREN'S LITURGY ADVENT WORKSHOP

Sun 10th December in St. Mary's school hall from 2pm until approximately 4pm. All children from OLK parish are welcome! The cost for the workshop is £3.50 per child.

There are still places available but please do return the booking form asap so we can plan.

Can I offer some help? Yes please! If you can help in any way, whether running a stall, making refreshments, or helping beforehand, then please let us know. All help will be greatly appreciated.

HORSFORTH CHORAL SOCIETY

Carols & Brass with the YEP Brass ensemble. **Tuesday 12th December** 7.30pm. St Margaret's Church, Horsforth. Admission £5 on the door (students £2, under 18's free). All welcome.

LEEDS CATHEDRAL ADVENT DAY OF RECONCILIATION **Tuesday 19th December**, 7am to 7pm. There will be priests available to hear confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day.

POPE FRANCIS' MONTHLY INTENTION –DECEMBER

For persons with disabilities. We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.