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***PRAY FOR UKRAINE & THE HOLY LAND***

**THE PARISH OF ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS**

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**SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025**

**THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**

**Psalm Response:** *Never forget the deeds of the Lord!* **Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, alleluia. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your Cross you have redeemed the world. Alleluia.* - **Readings:** Numbers 21:4b-9, Psalm 78(77), Philippians 2:6-11, - **Gospel:** John 3:13-17

**Readers:** *St Walburga's Vigil:* M. Moriarty, B. Kelly - *9:15:* D. Walke, G. Cooper  
*St Aidan's:* J. Jones, P. Smith

**Lately Dead:** Peter Bell, Alexandra Klima, Pat Shearer, Jack Kenningham, Patsy Hanney, Danny Moorhouse, Charlie Kirk, Iryna Zarutka.

**Second Collection** this weekend for the Catholic Education Service.

**Evangelii Gaudium Sunday:** there will be a retiring collection on *Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September*. Please help support the Bishops' Department for Evangelisation and Catechesis.

**Piety Stall:** Volunteers required please, to manage the Piety Stalls at the back of both Churches. Please contact the Parish Office for further details.

**Hall Bookings at St. Aidan's:** Volunteers required please, to manage the hall bookings at St. Aidan's. Please contact the Parish Office for further details.

**Foodbank:** Thank you for your contributions to the September collection for the Bradford Metropolitan Foodbank- another fantastic amount which was gratefully received at the Foodbank! Our next collection will be in *Wednesday 1st October*. Many thanks for your ongoing support.

**Mustard Seeds:** Every Sunday at St Walburga's, our children produce a poster showing what they have learnt. In future, these posters will be displayed in the church porch for us to appreciate what they have been doing. Please take a moment as you leave church to see what they have been doing. Many thanks.

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

**Knights of St Columba Inter-Parish Quiz:** The next round KSC Inter-Parish Quiz will be held at the Avondale Club on Monday 15th September 8.00 pm. Teams will ideally be limited to 5, although parishes may enter more than 1 team. Format same as usual with NO embarrassing individual questions. **Free** Pie & Pea Supper, **free** engraved trophy for the winners, **free** answer sheets, a Raffle and good company! It may seem bizarre but if you'd care to donate a Raffle Prize, we'd be eternally grateful. Who knows, you might win it back? Simply drop it at the door on the night, next to all the other alluring temptations! To join in simply email [kscquiz@virginmedia.com](mailto:kscquiz@virginmedia.com) by Friday, 12th September.

**Macmillan Coffee Morning:** You are warmly invited to come along for coffee, cake and chat on Friday 26th September between 10.00am and 12.00pm in St Aidan's Hall. There will be a cake stall, tombola and more to raise funds for this wonderful cause. Please let Clare Walker know if you are able to help with baking or can help in any other way. [clarepwalker@sky.com](mailto:clarepwalker@sky.com)

**Parish Retreat Weekend:** *'Blessed Are the Peacemakers': 19th – 21st September* at The Briery, Ilkley. Spaces are available for individuals to join this parish weekend. For more information and to book, contact The Briery on 01943 607287 or [admin@briery.org.uk](mailto:admin@briery.org.uk).

**Priestly Vocations Discernment Meetings:** Time for prayers, questions, input from a priest and social time. There are two groups meeting simultaneously; under 18s and over 18s. Fridays 6.30pm- 8.15pm: 19th September (Hinsley Hall), 17th October (Hinsley Hall), 14th November (Cathedral Hall), 19th December (Hinsley Hall). Under 18 participants must complete and return a permission form prior to attending. For permission forms and to notify of attendance (all participants) please contact Vocations Promoter, Fr Simon Lodge [simon.lodge@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:simon.lodge@dioceseofleeds.org.uk).

**40 Days for Life 2025:** Prayer, fasting and (*current 'buffer-zone-law'-compliant*) peaceful vigil in support of the unborn, their mothers, fathers and families. 7am-7pm daily from 24 September to 2 November. More info here: <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/event/40-days-for-life-2025/> Contact Chris via 07815 681343 & [40daysforlife@gmail.com](mailto:40daysforlife@gmail.com)

**Live@AvondaleClub** Sunday, 28th September 7-9pm with Dave Paterson and Deborah Bate. Enjoy a glorious mixture of rock, jazz and blues from Dave and a mix of pop, jazz and Gospel from Deborah. Live@Costa has been resurrected with a new time, new date and new venue. Apart from that it is just the same (!) with talented performers, good conversations and a dash of faith. Pay as You Feel, with alcoholic and soft drinks available for purchase. A safe space to bring non-Christian friends and neighbours. Future events will take place on 26th October (not to be missed - world famous Brian Houston) and 30th November (Songbirde and Jon Hirst) and the last Sunday of most months from January. Kindly hosted by The Avondale Club, 19 Bradford Road, Shipley, BD18 3PJ (opposite the end of Avondale Road.)

**Day For Catechists:** On Saturday 4th October 10am – 3pm there will be a day for Catechists at Hinsley Hall. This will be an opportunity for prayer, reflection and networking. All catechists are welcome to join this free event. Booking is essential. Please email [formation@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:formation@dioceseofleeds.org.uk) to book your place.

**"When Suffering Happens, Make Meaning!"** Dr Dorothy Jonaitis of Loyola University will lead a retreat afternoon offering an opportunity to reflect upon journeys of faith and how healing can take shape, using prayer, art and music. 1.00pm-5.30pm Sunday 5th October. £15pp at The Briery, Ilkley. For more information and to book, call 01943 607287 or email [admin@briery.org.uk](mailto:admin@briery.org.uk)

**Annual Batley Torchlight Procession:** Fr Eamonn Hegarty and the Parish of St Mary's, Batley will once again be hosting the annual Batley Torchlight Procession on Monday 6th October, commencing at 7:30pm. The Procession will start at St Mary's Catholic Primary School and end at the nearby St Mary of the Angels' Catholic Church. The Torchlight Procession is a fine expression of our Catholic faith and gives honour to Mary, Mother of God. Refreshments afterwards.

**Celebrating Laudato Si: Mini-Pilgrimage to Kirkstall Abbey:** Saturday 20th October 12:45 – 4pm. Join people from across the northern dioceses for this 4.7mile pilgrimage from Leeds City Station to Kirkstall abbey – mainly following the towpath of the Leeds & Liverpool canal. Full details on the Justice & Peace website [www.leedsjp.org.uk](http://www.leedsjp.org.uk)

**Catholic Care Recruitment - Registered Manager** (Adults with Learning Disabilities): Salary: £40,303 (plus pension and many other benefits) Post: Full Time, 37 hours per week. Location: Based in services across West and North Yorkshire. Closing Date: September 19th. Please see website for details [www.catholic-care.org.uk](http://www.catholic-care.org.uk)

**Catholic Care Recruitment - Gianna Baby Bank Admin Assistant:** 16 hours per week Pay: £24,982 - £26,096 (Pro rata) Location: Bradford in our Community services. Please see website for further details <http://www.catholic-care.org.uk> or send CV to [recruitment@catholic-care.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@catholic-care.org.uk)

**Bradford Catholic Players** are presenting the very funny *ELF the Musical* at Yeadon Town Hall Theatre from 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> November. If you require tickets or want to make a group booking, please ring Catherine Taylor on 01274 545202. For further details see poster at the back of church or add your name to the list.

**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.*

Online Donations: <https://donate.mydona.com/st-teresa-benedicta-shIPLEY>

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<b><u>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September</u></b> <b><u>The Exaltation of the Holy Cross</u></b>	5:45pm Vigil – St. Walburga's 9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am – St Aidan's	Patsy Hanney ( <i>L.D.</i> ) People of the Parish Kathleen Smales ( <i>A.</i> )
<u>Monday 15<sup>th</sup></u> Our Lady of Sorrows	<b>N.B. 1:00pm</b> - St Walburga's	Requiem for Alexandra Klima
<u>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup></u> St Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs	<b>N.B. 8:00am</b> - St. Walburga's 7:00pm – St Aidan's	Peter Bell ( <i>L.D.</i> ) <i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion</i>
<u>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup></u> <i>St Hildegard of Bingen,</i> <i>Virgin &amp; Doctor of the Church</i>	10:00am - St Walburga's	Holy Souls
<u>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup></u>	10:00am - St Walburga's 12:00pm – St Aidan's	Jack Kenningham ( <i>L.D.</i> ) Requiem for Pat Shearer
<u>Friday 19<sup>th</sup></u> <i>St Theodore of Canterbury, Bishop</i>	10:00am - St Walburga's 12:00pm – St Aidan's	Sheila Monaghan ( <i>L.D.</i> ) <i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion</i>
<u>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup></u> Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest & Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions ( <i>The Korean Martyrs</i> )	10:00am - St Walburga's 5:45pm Vigil – St. Walburga's	Patsey Hanney ( <i>L.D.</i> ) Danny Moorhouse ( <i>L.D.</i> )
<b><u>Sunday 21st September</u></b> <b><u>25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</u></b>	9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am – St Aidan's	People of the Parish Intentions of the Craft Group