



Our Lady & St. Joseph, Aire Valley

SS Mary & Monica, Cottingley and Sacred Heart, Bingley

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Mass Schedule

week beginning Saturday 9th December 2023

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| 2nd Sunday of Advent Year B | 4.15-4.45pm Confessions 5 pm Mass | Bingley | Parish Dead List |
| Saturday 9/Sunday 10 December | 9.15am Mass | Cottingley | Malcolm Myers |
| | 11.15am Mass | Bingley | People of the Parish |
| Monday 11 December | No Mass | | |
| Tuesday 12 December | 6.15-6.45pm Confessions 7 pm Mass | Cottingley | Parish Dead List |
| Wednesday 13 December St Lucy, Virgin, Martyr | 10am Mass | Cottingley | Yorkshire Brethren |
| Thursday 14 December St John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor of the Church | 10am Mass | Cottingley | Vincent Logan |
| Friday 15 December | 10am Mass | Bingley | Patrick O'Donoghue |
| 3rd Sunday of Advent | 4.15-4.45pm Confessions 5 pm Mass | Bingley | People of the Parish |
| Saturday 16/Sunday 17 December | 9.15am Mass | Cottingley | Parish Dead List |
| | 11.15am Mass | Bingley | Private Intention |

Parish Notices

CAFOD Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal

Donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at cafod.org.uk/ipc or call 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers.

Parishioners are welcome to join **St Joseph's school Advent Liturgy** at 2:30pm on Wednesday 20th December.

Pope Francis' Intention for 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

Both churches have a **Hearing Aid Loop** available for the benefit of those hard of hearing.

Please email **items for the parish bulletin** to me (Colin) at bulletin@ourladyandstjoseph.org.uk before Thursday and I'll try to fit your item in.

Ministers at Masses this weekend

Saturday 09/12 17:00 Eucharistic minister John Shaw
Reader Peter Taylor

Sunday 10/12 09:15 Eucharistic minister H Teresa Mills
Readers R John McElroy, P Kevin King

Sunday 10/12 11:15 Eucharistic minister Aileen Moran
Reader Jeremy Charnock

Ministers at Masses next weekend

Saturday 16/12 17:00 Eucharistic minister Michael Rewilak
Reader Patrick Abbott

Sunday 17/12 09:15 Eucharistic minister H Christine Acomb
Readers R Ann McKerchar, P Anne Monaghan

Sunday 17/12 11:15 Eucharistic minister Deirdre Naylor
Reader Julie Martin

Please remember in your prayers all who are sick at this time especially

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| Chris Baines | Liam Kay | Paul McMenamin |
| Geoffrey Barnes | Jacob Kinsey | Joan Meggitt |
| Marisa Bell | Ria Koetsier | John Moran |
| Maria Binns | Patricia Long | David Ohr |
| Michael Bradley | Richard Longden | Tony Shipman |
| Frieda Clapham | Brian Marie | Steven Shaw |
| Camilla Devanney | Andrew Markham | Canon Joe Smith |
| Barbara Furniss | Christine Matthews | Mary Walker |
| Vincenzo Greco | Bridget McKenna | Lisa White |
| Ian Harrison | Harry McKenna | Ann Wilkinson |
| Elizabeth Hartley | Philomena McKenna | |

Please contact Colin on [01274 566332](tel:01274566332) for changes to this list.

Singing Group for Christmas Eve Mass We're again organising a Singing Group to lead the carols and singing at this year's Parish Christmas Eve Vigil Mass celebrations on **Sunday 24 Dec at St Mary & St Monica's; Mass 6pm with Carols from 5.40pm**. There will be **practices** (finishing by 11am) for those able to join us **after Sun 9.15 Masses on 10 and 17 Dec**. If interested, please contact paul.wildgeese@btinternet.com for further info or just turn up at a practice – and please tell anyone else you think might like to be involved. Many Thanks.

Christingle We'll be holding a short Christingle service immediately after 9:15 Mass on Sunday 10 Dec. Children are invited to join the Children's Liturgy where we'll prepare our Christingles (we meet just before mass begins in the back room at Church). After Mass the children will lead a short service in church which all parishioners are welcome to join. Everyone is invited to stay for refreshments afterwards. It would help if you could let Liz Firth know numbers of children intending to join so we have enough Christingles for everyone. Liz [0787 679 4453](tel:07876794453) or liz.firth@live.co.uk

Chordiality at Christmas – a celebration of carols and readings at First Martyrs Church, Heaton, on Sunday 17 December at 3pm. Tickets £8 (under 12s free), including festive refreshments, available from Anne Copley ([07980 006213](tel:07980006213)) or Susan Holroyd ([07526 784303](tel:07526784303)).

Knights of St Columba Inter-Parish Quiz The next KSC Inter-Parish Quiz will be at the The Avondale Club (formerly Shipley Catholic Club) on Monday, 11 Dec at 8.00 pm. Teams limited to 5 although parishes may enter more than 1 team. The format will be the same as usual with NO embarrassing individual questions. There will be FREE Pie & Pea Supper, FREE engraved trophy for the winners, FREE answer sheets, a raffle and good company! To join, just e-mail kscquiz@virginmedia.com by Friday 8th December

The Briery Gospel Meditation: Zoom meetings. Thursday 14th December will be the last meditation for this year and the regular sessions will resume in January. To register for the link to join, please contact the administrators on [01943 607287](tel:01943607287) or email admin@briery.org.uk

Leeds Cathedral Advent Day of Reconciliation is on Tuesday 19th December, from 7am to 7pm. There will be priests available to hear confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day.

The Parish Memorial Book

The book has these memories for this week:

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| 9 Marcella Maria Cantopher | 13 Ziggy Kirkiewicz (Ziggy) |
| 10 Maria Antonina Brown | 14 Marion Crowther |
| 11 May Palmer | 14 Maureen Johnston |
| 11 Thomas Hill | 15 Sheila Leftley |
| 12 Theresa Hunt-Wilkinson | |

To have your loved ones included in the Parish Memorial Book, please send their name and date of death to bulletin@ourladyandstjoseph.org.uk

Sanctuary Candles are lit each week in memory of your loved ones. Please keep the following in your prayers:
Walter Danys

Calling all 9.15 am Sunday Mass attendees - is there anyone who could offer a lift for a lady who lives in Sutton Court please? Ring or message Anne McArthur on [07970 632 230](tel:07970632230) for the contact details.

Our parish **Union of Catholic Mothers**, a small group of women who meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 1.30 to 3pm in faith and friendship over a cuppa, usually at Cottingley, invites new members to join them. Please just turn up and try without obligation, or have a word with any one of them, or ring Moira on 07443 452231 or Wendy on 07848 912285. Lifts can be provided.

There are **boxes in both churches for the collection of used stamps** which to be used to raise money for **Martin House Hospice**.

Parish Christmas Card: If you or your family would like to be included in this year's card, please clearly write on an envelope the name(s) you wish to be printed on the card; if you are able to make a donation please put the money into the envelope. Envelopes will be collected by Jackie Kirton at Cottingley and Colin Spiller at Bingley by Sunday 17 December. Proceeds will be shared between Bradford Baby Bank and Bingley Food Bank.

Children's liturgy has restarted. Please join us before the start of 9:15am mass in the community room at the back of Church. The sessions are led by Liz Firth and you are welcome to leave your children or stay with them. We meet every week in term time. If you'd like to help please let Liz know liz.firth@live.co.uk

Children's Toys and Books We've put together some soft toys and books for children to use during mass. You'll find these in a basket near the entrance to both churches. Please feel free to use these during mass and leave them in the basket as you leave.

Carol Service, Leeds Trinity University: Carols by candlelight on Monday 4th December at 7.00pm in the Chapel including performances from the Leeds Trinity University Chapel Choir and Mount St Mary's Catholic High School. Complimentary mulled wine and mince pies will be served afterwards. For more information and to book visit: www.leedstrinity.ac.uk/events

Advent Preached Retreat: "See, I am doing something New!" (Isaiah 43:19) Fr. Eamonn Mulcahy, CSSp will lead a weekend retreat welcoming the Ever-Coming God who makes all things new. Dec 8-10th at The Briery, Ilkley. To book a place, or to find out more: www.briery.org.uk email admin@briery.org.uk or telephone [01943 607287](tel:01943607287).

The parish will be hosting the **Inn Churches' Winter Shelter** again this winter, from Monday 4th March to the following Monday. Details of a planning meeting to follow soon.

REVELATION: The Youth Service's monthly event for young people in Years 8-13 will be taking place on Thursday 14th December at Hinsley Hall, 5:30-7:30pm. It will be an evening of prayer, music, games, fellowship and more as we focus on the theme of 'Hope'. For further information, email youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk.