

Our Lady & St. Joseph, Aire Valley

SS Mary & Monica, Cottingley and Sacred Heart, Bingley



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Mass Schedule

week beginning Saturday 21st December 2024

4th Sunday in Advent Year C Saturday 21/Sunday 22 December	4.15-4.45pm Confessions 5pm Mass	Bingley	James and Maria Farquharson
	9.15am Mass	Cottingley	Helen and Bill Blackie
	11.15am Mass	Bingley	Fr Peter Keeling
Monday 23 December	No Mass		
Tuesday 24 December Christmas Vigil	6pm Mass	Cottingley	People of the Parish
Wednesday 25 December The Nativity of the Lord	9.15am Mass	Cottingley	Josie Glacken
	11.15am Mass	Bingley	Parish Dead List
Thursday 26 December St Stephen, the first Martyr	12 noon Mass	Cottingley	Bill and Maisie Cochrane
Friday 27 December St John, Apostle, Evangelist	12 noon Mass	Bingley	Rena and Andrew Cunningham
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Saturday 28/Sunday 29 December	4.15-4.45pm Confessions 5pm Mass	Bingley	Jack Martin
	9.15am Mass	Cottingley	Canon Peter Maguire
	11.15am Mass	Bingley	People of the Parish

Parish Notices

Donate to CAFOD Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at cafod.org.uk/ipc or call [0303 303 3030](tel:03033033030) to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have worked 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. **CAFOD also has other appeals for emergencies elsewhere too!** Thank you for your prayers and support.

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.

Pope Francis' Intention for December For Pilgrims Of Hope

Let us pray that the coming Church Jubilee Year 2025 strengthens us in our faith; helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

Diocese of Leeds Community Choir: This new venture welcomes all parish musicians, parishioners, choir parents, friends, and school and Diocesan staff to come together and sing! Rehearsals on Sunday afternoons (19 January, 2 & 9 February, 2 & 23 March all at 2-3.30pm), working towards a concert performance, including music by Mendelssohn, Fauré, and Rutter, on Laetare Sunday, 30 March 2025 (4pm) at the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Moortown. To book your place please email office@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk

Ministers at Masses this weekend

Saturday 21/12 17:00 Eucharistic minister Michael Rewilak
 Reader Barbara Hladowski
 Sunday 22/12 09:15 Eucharistic minister H Danuta Petrie
 Readers R John McElroy, P Teresa Mills
 Sunday 22/12 11:15 Eucharistic minister Jean Denman
 Reader Jeremy Charnock

Ministers at Masses next weekend

Saturday 28/12 17:00 Eucharistic minister Mark Startin
 Reader Michael Rewilak
 Sunday 29/12 09:15 Eucharistic minister H Sue Wilkinson
 Readers R Kevin King, P Anne Monaghan
 Sunday 29/12 11:15 Eucharistic minister Peter Harrison
 Reader Irene Stanford-Wood

Please remember in your prayers all who are sick and those who care for them, especially:

Marisa Bell	Jacob Kinsey	John Moran
Maria Binns	Ria Koetsier	Margaret N
Michael Bradley	Melissa Le Coultre	David Ohr
Ellerie Carroll	Geoff Lister	Tony Shipman
Sylvie Cantopher	Patricia Long	Steven Shaw
Frieda Clapham	Richard Longden	Neil Smith
Camilla Devanney	Brian Marie	Maureen Thompson
Barbara Furniss	Andrew Markham	Jeff Trotter
Paul Gallagher	Christine Matthews	Mary Walker
Vincenzo Greco	Paul McMenamin	Lisa White
Jo Hampson	Harry McKenna	Ann Wilkinson
Ian Harrison	Philomena McKenna	Madeleine Wilkins
Elizabeth Hartley	Joan Meggitt	Olma Wright
Liam Kay	Sheila Monaghan	

Contact Colin on 01274 566332 with any changes to this list.

Fr. Richard Carter will be celebrating his Ruby Jubilee [40 years ordained], God willing, on Sunday 9th February

in Sacred Heart, Bingley, at the 11.15am Mass. Fr. Simon Lodge will be preaching and everyone is invited to stay behind afterwards for refreshments and a free drink of wine! He will also celebrate the 9.15am Mass at St. Monica's, Cottingley, for those who would be unable to attend at Bingley, but no free drink [sorry]. If you are intending to be at the main celebration in Bingley would you please sign up on the sheets on the noticeboard so that we can assess numbers attending.

CAFOD Jubilee 2025 Resource Guide: CAFOD has produced a guide to help parishes to prepare for the Jubilee year. Available as an online download or a booklet to order from CAFOD's website. The Guide has reflections on different themes within Luke 4:16-21 and is suitable for individual or group use. Download or order at <https://cafod.org.uk/pray/prayer-resources/jubilee-reflection-guide>.

Online Gospel Meditations: The Briery host a weekly hour of meditation/reflection focusing on the following Sunday's readings, providing an opportunity for shared reflection in small groups. Reflection begins at 7.30pm, doors open from 7.15pm for a welcome/chat. All are welcome to attend. To find out more, and to receive the link, email admin@briery.org.uk or call 01943 607287.

The Parish Memorial Book

The book has these memories for this week:

22 Catherine Cowan	26 Patrick Joseph Campbell
23 Frances Days	26 Thomas Toothill
23 Jonathan Willis	27 Edgar Brearley
23 Mary McGrory	28 Christine Martin
24 Kevin Stewart	28 Mary Addy
25 E.F.J. Plowden	29 Edmond Joseph McKenzie
25 John Rawnsley	29 Maureen Holmes
25 Mary Hanney	29 Paddy Cahill
26 Edwin Michael Watson	
26 Mary Monaghan	

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:

Tom & Pat Doyle	Ken Holdcroft
Kay & Straughton Families	Susan McGannon
John Rawnsley	

Mass times at Christmas will be:

Christmas Eve 6pm at Cottingley, Christmas Day 9.15am at Cottingley and 11.15am at Bingley.

The traditional **Christmas Offering** will be taken at all the Christmas Masses (24/25 December).

Chordiality at Christmas: a celebration of Carols and Readings at First Martyrs Church, Heaton on Sunday 22nd December at 3 pm. Tickets £10 (under 12s free) from Susan Holroyd (07526 784303), Anne Copley (07980 006213) or any member of Chordiality.

CHRISTMAS CLEAN SACRED HEART

We will be getting together on MONDAY 23rd December at 10:00am to give the church a good pre-Christmas clean. Everyone welcome! All cleaning paraphernalia will be provided. Hope to see you there.

Singing Group for Christmas Eve Mass Tues 24th Dec at St Mary & St Monica's; Mass 6pm with Carols from 5.40pm. As in previous years, we're organising a Singing Group to lead the carols/singing at this year's parish Christmas Eve Vigil Mass. There will be practices (finishing by 11am) after Sunday Cottingley 9.15 Masses on 15th and 22nd December, for those able to join us. If interested, contact paul.wildgeese@btinternet.com, or just turn up at a practice – and please tell anyone else you think might like to be involved. Many Thanks.

Do YOU care about young people in Catholic Education? Bishop Marcus needs practising Catholics like YOU to be his representative on our schools' Academy Councils. To find out more, please watch the YouTube video [Could YOU be a Foundation Governor in the Diocese of Leeds?](#)



Happy Christmas everyone

