



Rt. Rev. Marcus Stock
Catholic Bishop of Leeds

THE PARISH OF ST MARY OF THE ANGELS & ST PATRICK

Parish Priest: Fr Eamonn Hegarty

Sunday 28th April 2024

5TH WEEK OF EASTER

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

APRIL

27th

William Hallahan (1980)

28th

Betty Kerry (2019)

Colin Sands (2015)

Mary Fitzimons (1972)

Irene Murray

29th

Kathleen Jones (2020)

Trevor Schofield (2020)

Michael Collins (2018)

Kath McGuire (2008)

Denis Crowley (1983)

30th

Barbara Hansell (2023)

Rachel Gill (2021)

Robert Dewhirst (2021)

Kevin Wilson (2020)

Thomas Prendergast (2002)

Les & Allan Tonks

Chris Mitchell

MAY

1st

Dorothy Baker (2019)

Josie Milner (2018)

Sheila Hannan (2017)

Jean Ives (2017)

Joseph Kennedy (2008)

2nd

Paul Peter Carroll (2016)

Catherine Lynch (2002)

3rd

Thomas McLoughlin (1964)

4th

Mary Anderson (1994)

**Eternal rest
grant unto them O Lord.
Let Perpetual light
shine upon them.
May they rest in peace.
Amen.**

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	FEAST	INTENTION
5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER				
Sat 27 th April	4.30pm	St Mary	5 th Sunday of Easter	David Kaye (RIP)
	6.00pm	St Patrick	5 th Sunday of Easter	Sheila Power (RIP)
Sun 28 th April	9.00am	St Patrick	5 th Sunday of Easter	Eileen Lynch (Rem)
	10.30am	St Mary	5 th Sunday of Easter	Mary Battye (A)
	3.00pm	<i>Batley Ecumenical Songs of Praise: St Thomas Church, Grosvenor Road, Batley WF17 0LX</i>		
Mon 29 th April	8.00am	SJF	St John Fisher's Catholic Academy - Staff Mass	
	11.30am	St Patrick	St Catherine of Siena	Desmond Kirby (Rem)
	1.45pm	St Mary	Funeral Service - Stephanie Adele Barnes (RIP)	
	6.00pm	St Mary	St Catherine of Siena	Mary Morley (Rem)
Tues 30 th April	9.00am	St Mary	HOLY HOUR: EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION	
	10.00am	St Mary	Weekday of Easter	Catherine Bullock (A)
Wed 1 st May				
Thurs 2 nd May	12.00noon	Convent	St Athanasius	Private Intention (KT)
Fri 3 rd May	11.00am	St Mary	HOLY HOUR: EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION	
	12.00noon	St Mary	Sts Philip & James	Colin Froggatt (RIP)
Sat 4 th May	9.00am	St Patrick	HOLY HOUR: EXPOSITION & CONFESSIONS	
	10.00am	St Patrick	The English Martyrs	Eileen Lynch (Rem)
	11.00am	<i>Burial of Ashes for Bernard Wilson (RIP) - at St Peter's</i>		
6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER				
Sat 4 th May	4.30pm	St Mary	6 th Sunday of Easter	Julie Wroe (RIP)
	6.00pm	St Patrick	6 th Sunday of Easter	Clare McKellor (Rem)
Sun 5 th May	9.00am	St Patrick	6 th Sunday of Easter	Fr Barry Hughes (RIP)
	10.30am	St Mary	6 th Sunday of Easter	Mary Elizabeth Maguire (A)
PARISH LIVE-STREAM FACILITY				
St Mary's - www.stmarybatley.co.uk		St Patrick's - https://stpatricksbirstall.org.uk		

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE POORLY... Maria Ashton, Kathleen Pawson (nee Rush), Frank O'Neill, Ann Leach, Elaine Richardson, Catherine & Jimmy McVeigh, Sheila Haigh, Geoff Holland, Stefan Stadnicki, Jennie Farnhill, Peter McKenna, Raymond Croken, Anthony Clementson, Simon Murphy, Margaret Harrison, Franco Menic, Katie Gallagher-Peel, Barbara Maguire, Elaine Wraith, Fr David Bulmer, Jane Hellings, Barry Murphy, James Waldron, Pauline Clark, Canon Eugene McGillycuddy, Canon John Nunan, Marian McGeown, Zoe Sands, Tony Halloran, Peter Savage, Clare Gavan, Mason Ross Kilgallon, Julie Murphy, Baby Archer, Ro, Gail, Nancy, Judy, Gail & the Teal Sisters (Ovarian Cancer Support Group), Paris Thompson, Joan Franklin, Rod McKenzie, Patricia Mould, Michael Andrews, Elaine Mulqueen, Linda Beck, Evelyn Hall, David Nicholson, Neil Hilton, Margaret Norton, Celia & Harry Wilson, Mary De-Gol, Desmond Graham, Michael O'Hanlon, Sandra Heaton, Ann Mawby and Joan O'Dowd.

RECENTLY DECEASED - Michael Christopher Howgate Stephanie Adele Barnes
Ruth Steel Terry Armitage Julie Wroe

LAST WEEKEND'S MASS ATTENDANCE:

St Mary's:	Saturday	4.30pm	79	St Patrick's	Saturday	6.00pm	80
	Sunday	10.30am	93		Sunday	9.00am	98

Total Combined Mass Attendance: 350

Total Online Weekend Mass Views: 193

FORTHCOMING PARISH FUNERALS

Name:	Church:	Arrangements:
Stephanie Adele Barnes (RIP)	St Mary's	Funeral Service - Monday 29 th April at 1.45pm
Michael Howgate (RIP)	St Mary's	Funeral Service - Monday 13 th May at 1.30am
Terry Armitage (RIP)	St Mary's	Requiem Mass - Friday 17 th May at 1.30am

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSIONS

Fr Eamonn is available for Confessions as follows,

St Patrick's

Sat 9.15am - 9.45am

St Mary's

Sat 3.45pm - 4.15pm

(and upon request)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism are celebrated as follows;

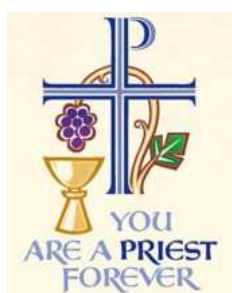
St Patrick's

Sat at 11.00am

St Mary's

Sun at 11.30am

(Please see Fr Eamonn after a weekend Mass.)



FR EAMONN'S SILVER JUBILEE OF ORDINATION - DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

As you may know, Fr Eamonn will be celebrating his Silver Jubilee of Ordination to the Priesthood on Wednesday 10th July. Due to the fact that at that time the Bishop and many priests of the Diocese are on the Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes, he will be have a Parish Celebration as follows;

Mass of Celebration - Friday 19th July at 7.00pm - St Mary's Church, Batley
Followed by a party in the St Mary's Parochial Hall

There is an open invitation to the all the parish. He would be delighted if you could join him.

If you have any questions / ideas about this celebration please feel free to phone Michelle on 01924 474650

'POP INTO ST PAT'S - EACH MONDAY FROM 12.00 NOON - IN ST PATRICK'S

Monday 29 April- come and join us for a singalong accompanied by our incredible Ukulele Group. Always lots of laughing and joyous singing. Everyone welcome.

Monday (bank holiday) 6 May- bring and share. Come along and join your Birstall community for a get together- good food and company guaranteed . (Weather permitting outside). Please put your contribution on the poster at the back of church , if you wish to contribute- or just bring yourself.

Monday 13 May - Guest Speaker -Stephen Walker - Local Historian - 'unsolved mysteries'. This is the 2nd visit from Stephen and those who come will not be disappointed .

20 May - our Ukulele Group joins us for another sing along, always a joyous occasion.

Monday 27 - Spring Bank Holiday- bring and share and enjoy your Birstall community hospitality. (Weather permitting, outside). ***Everyone welcome, look forward to meeting old and new friends.***

CAFOD SUDAN CRISIS APPEAL: The war in Sudan has forced millions of people to flee their homes, creating one of the world's largest humanitarian crises. The situation is quickly getting worse, and people caught up in the middle of the conflict are now facing yet another crisis – hunger. People are running out of food, water and medicine and many families continue to risk their lives fleeing their homes to escape the fighting. Please donate to help meet these urgent, basic needs. <https://cafod.org.uk/give/donate-to-emergencies/sudan-crisis-appeal>. ***There will also be a 2nd collection this weekend to help the people of Sudan.***

ST MARY'S BACK SACRISTY UPGRADE - the upgrade of the St Mary's back sacristy is now nearly completed. I am sure you will agree that our builder nJames has done a great job. We just need to furnish it now then we are up and running with this new parish community space for St Mary's. Hopefully we will be in a position to offer Tea / Coffee after the 10.30am Mass by next weekend!

ST PATRICK'S ALTAR BOYS ARE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS - Huge congratulations to Oliver, Jude and Bobby who took part in the Ultimate Junior Football Tournament in Skegness last weekend. They played teams from across the country and their team won! They have now qualified to play in the national finals at St George's Park in June. Well done boys, fantastic achievement! 🏆👏

ST PATRICK'S DISCUSSION GROUP - We meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 10.00am in the St Patrick's Church Tea/ Coffee room. All are welcome. ***For further details call Andy Hill on 01274 315271 or 07729 626966.***



OUR PARISH HISTORY

In April 1877 St Mary's school received what was described as "very favourable" Government report. In both the Infant and Mixed School reading was well taught. The infants were in very nice order and the intelligence of these children was "satisfactory." The Mixed School was described as in very

good order. Its examination results were highly creditable. It went on to say: "Considering the class of children, and the difficulty of securing regular attendance, the condition of this school is remarkably good, and reflects very great credit on the managers and teachers."

ST PATRICK'S LEGION OF MARY - The St Patrick's legion of Mary meet

every Tuesday morning at 10.00am in the St Patrick's Parish Meeting Room.

New members are always welcome.

PARISH MEETING ROOM & CONFESSIONAL RENOVATION AT ST PATRICK'S UPDATE - I am delighted to inform you that we now have final approval and the go-ahead to begin the proposed renovations. This has taken a while but we are at last about to begin the work. APT Construction have got the contract and they are proposing to begin the work on the 28th May. They estimate that the work will take around 6 weeks (hopefully completion by mid-July). Hopefully we will have our new parish room and confessional up and running by the start of the summer holidays!

PARISH BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP - 'The Journey' Grief Care Group for anyone walking through Loss. An opportunity to spend time with others who recognise your journey in bereavement. The Group will meet as follows;

St Mary's Presbytery, Cross Bank Road, Batley, WF17 8PQ

with coffee and cake, a listening ear and a supportive approach. The Group will be facilitated by Eileen and Stacy and supported by the Elizabeth Prout Bereavement Care Group.

IRISH NIGHT AT HOLY SPIRIT HECKMONDWIKE

Saturday 11th may from 11.30pm - Holy Spirit Heck,omdwiki

There is a warm invite from holy Spirit Church to join them for their Annual Irish Night. Doors open at 7.00pm. Tickets are priced £6.00 and includes a pie and peas supper. The bar will be open and under 11's are free.

WELCOME SPACE - at St Peter's Church, Birstall every Wednesday 11am-2pm. Free. Refreshments, hot drinks, 3 soups and sandwiches, board games and small little ones play area provided.

DRU YOGA WITH TAMLIN WALKER - Dru Yoga is great for maintaining and improving flexibility and for maintaining the health of your joints. It can help with stress, relaxation and even help you sleep better!

Sundays 6pm-7.10pm £7.50 Heckmondwike Community Centre

Wednesdays 7.15-8.20pm £6 online via Zoom

Please contact Tamlin Walker on 07957434127 or tamdruyoga@gmail.com

for further information and a health registration form.

ST MARY'S SOCIAL CLUB

Are you thinking about where to celebrate a family party, baptism, wedding, birthday (not children's parties. St Mary's Social Club has great rooms available to hire at very good prices.

The Melton Lounge - ideal for parties up to 50 people with a well stocked bar.

The Ball room - can hold up to 160 people, with an adjoining kitchen and bar.

For more information please visit: **www.stmarysocialclubbatley.uk**

St Mary's Social Club and Parochial Hall - Melton Street, Batley, WF17 8PT

Booking Enquiries - Michelle 07896 974429 [facebook.com/stmarysocialclubbatley](https://www.facebook.com/stmarysocialclubbatley)

EVENTS IN ST MARY'S SOCIAL CLUB - 2024

Social Dancing	Sunday evenings from 7.30pm
MASC Batley Karate Club	Tuesdays 4.00pm - 6.00pm
Bingo in the Lounge	Tuesdays 8.00pm & Fridays at 8.00pm
Singing for Fun	Wednesdays from 2.00pm - 4.00pm.
Batley Rock and Roll Club	Wednesdays form 8.00pm
Fitness with Karen	Wednesdays 5.45pm - 6.45pm
Slimming World	Thursdays 9.00am - 11.00am & 5.00pm – 7.00pm - Friday 9.00am
Central Pointe Dance (in the studio)	Monday to Thursday.
Regular sell out Rock and Roll Band nights - first Friday of the month	

Monthly Tribute nights with Batley's Legendary DJ Mick Ingram. Early booking essential: [Ticket Hotline 07766336951](tel:07766336951)



DIocese of Leeds Notices

THE DAY OF PRAYER FOR VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF ABUSE: is observed on the Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Easter in England and Wales. This year's focus is on communities who have been directly affected by allegations or convictions related to abuse – especially, but not exclusively, within the Church. This may be associated with clergy, a teacher in a local school, a leader of a Catholic group or other person or group whose investigation or conviction is likely to affect the wider community. It is intended to provide specific opportunities for all in the Catholic community to pray for the healing of those who have suffered abuse. A Mass will be offered at St Anne's Cathedral, Leeds on Tuesday 30th April at 12.30pm. All welcome.

CAFOD/SVP GENERAL ELECTION PREPARATION: The Year of Encounter provides webinars and on-line resources providing information to enable Catholics to make better informed voting choices. Saturday 4th May, 11am. See Svp.org.uk/encounter to register.

COME AND SEE OPPORTUNITY: For women interested in learning about Franciscan Religious Life. Saturday 4th May 2024. 11am - 4pm. Franciscan Convent. 52 Dalby Road, Melton Mowbray. LE13 0BP. Contact: Sr Dorothy Paul 01664562422. Email: srdorothypaul@gmail.com

DISCIPLESHIP DAYS: The Franciscan Friars of the Renewal will be holding monthly Discipleship Days at St Patrick's Church, Bradford, including Rosary, Holy Mass, Confessions, and Eucharistic adoration along with talks on Franciscan spirituality. 2024 marks 800 years since St Francis received the stigmata and the arrival of the first Franciscans in England. The next day will be held on Saturday 4th May, 11:45am-4:30pm.

BISHOP JOHN CROWLEY PREACHED RETREAT AT THE BRIERY: 8th – 14th May 2024. Finding our way home to God amid the sorrows and joys of life. "The whole of our spiritual journey revolves around these two things: we are troubled when we contemplate ourselves, and our troubles bring us to salvation; when we contemplate God we are restored by the joy of the Holy Spirit" (St Bernard of Clairvaux). Total offering is £642, fully inclusive with en-suite room. For more information please contact admin@briery.org.uk or 01943 607287.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR – CAR PARK SALE FUNDRAISER: There will be a car park sale on Saturday 11th May from 12:00noon until 4.00pm. Sale of New Designer Clothing, Furniture, Bric-a-brac, and lots more! Raising funds for the building of a new home at Mount St Joseph's.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIED LIFE: On Saturday 18th May, there will be a special Celebration Mass for Married Life at Leeds Cathedral at 12noon for couples and their families celebrating their 25th (Silver), 40th (Ruby), 50th (Golden), 60th (Diamond) and 70th (Platinum) wedding anniversaries this year. There will be an opportunity for couples, who wish to do so, to renew their marriage vows during the liturgy. If you are celebrating the anniversary of your wedding and you would like to take part in this celebration, please fill out the application form which is available at the back of church and return by 3rd May.

CENTENARY OF THE DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL JULY 2024: On Thursday 18th July at 11.30am, together with the Priests, Deacons, Religious and Lay Faithful, Bishop Marcus will celebrate a Solemn Pontifical Mass at the Cathedral Church of St Anne, the Mother Church of the Diocese of Leeds, to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Cathedral's Dedication. More information about the Cathedral's centenary celebrations will be published in due course.

FAITH FORMATION SOCIAL MEDIA: We have set up new social media accounts for Lifelong Faith Formation and will be sharing upcoming opportunities, good news stories and updates. Please follow us on Twitter: @dolformation nstagram: @dolfaithformation Facebook: Diocese of Leeds Faith Formation

WEEKLY ONLINE MEDITATIONS FROM THE BRIERY: Join us for a short meditation on the Sunday Gospel from 7.30pm to 8.15pm on Thursdays. The Zoom opens at 7.15pm for a chat. All are welcome. Register for Zoom link by emailing: admin@briery.org.uk or call 01943 607287.

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St Patrick's - Sr Pat - Tel. (01924) 474640