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Sunday 13th October 2024 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Diary for the week ahead including Mass Intentions

Sun 13 Oct	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass St Patrick's 9.15am —James & Agnes Howe Holy Mass St John's 11.00am —The Gaskell Family, followed by Coffee Morning Holy Mass St John's 4.30pm —Parishioners Parish Zoom Rosary 6.30pm
Mon 14 Oct	St Callistus, Pope, Martyr (memorial)	Holy Mass St John's 8.30am —Andrew & Marie White Funeral Service St John's 11.00am for Winifred Moffatt October Holy Rosary St Patrick's 12.15pm St William's Primary School 150th Anniversary Celebrations. 2.00pm Gardening St John's 2.00-4.00pm
Tue 15 Oct	St Teresa of Avila, Virgin, Doctor (memorial)	Gardening St Patrick's 9.30am Requiem Mass St Patrick's 10.30am for John McNicholas Eucharistic Adoration St Patrick's 6.15-7.15pm Holy Mass St Patrick's 7.30pm —Sheila Parkinson
Wed 16 Oct	St Hedwig, Religious (memorial)	Eucharistic Adoration St John's 8.45-9.45am Holy Mass St John's 10.00am John Lonsdale (A) Year 1 Stay and Prayer St Patrick's Infant Hall 9.05-9.15am All Welcome
Thur 17 Oct	St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr (memorial)	Holy Mass St Patrick's 8.30am —James Sinclair Traditional Mass (Latin) St John's 7.30pm Special Intention
Fri 18 Oct	St Luke, Evangelist (feast)	Holy Mass (SMS) in attendance) St John's 10.00am —Ernest Bradbury
Sat 19 Oct	St Paul of the Cross, Priest (memorial)	October Holy Rosary St John's 10.00am Holy Mass (Sunday Vigil) St Mary's 5.00pm —Jane Ackers
Sun 20 Oct	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass St Patrick's 9.15am — A sick young boy Holy Mass St John's 11.00am —Kathleen Merchant (A) Holy Mass St John's 4.30pm —Parishioners Parish Zoom Rosary 6.30pm

(A) - anniversary
(LD) - lately dead

BAPTISM: this Sunday is at St John's: we pray for Luca Michael Gregory and his family

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION: For 10 minutes after each weekday Mass; St Mary's from 4.15-4.45pm on Saturday and St John's 3.45pm-4.15pm

PRIVATE PRAYER: St Mary's Church is open for private prayer during the day—10.30am -5.30pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; 10.00am – 4.00pm on Thursday; 2.00pm -6.00pm on Saturday and until Midday on Sunday.

St Patrick's Porch is open for private prayer during the day—8.30am-3.30pm Monday to Friday.

Please pray for those who are sick: Anne Davies, Angela Parkinson, Lisa Burke, Doreen Edwards, Margaret Connelly, Margaret Ashall; Wendy Leggett, Colin Benfold, Archbishop Emeritus Patrick Kelly, Fr Peter Hannah, Winifred Langin, Carol Green, Shirley Leggett, Karen Leggett, Dorothy Hutson, Leanna Mason, Anne Lawson, Kathleen Burke, Anthony Rutter, Albert Winstanley, Arthur Harrison-Scott, Celia Marshall, Paul Fairhurst, Michael Pitcher.

Please pray for those who have died recently: Shelia Parkinson (née O'Leary) **RIP**

ANNIVERSARIES: Fr Francis Tillotson, Cyril Birch, John Lonsdale, Eveline Egan, Mary Carney, John Clossick, Ann Farrell, Agnes Bibby, John McCormick, Louisa Hill, Margaret Brady, Samuel Heron, Gladys Clossick, Elizabeth Griffin, Joseph Stokes, Eileen Mather, Marie Green, Keith Orritt, Margaret Holland, Mary Ann King, Thomas Heron, Jane Dixon, Margaret Lawson, Norman Brown, Molly Downes .

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: Evelyn & Harry Valentine (A), Arun & Swany's Intentions, Margaret Brown (LD), Veronica Berry (B/day), John Lonsdale (A), Ricardo Alexandre De Alencaz, A sick young boy, Sheila Parkinson (LD).

The Holy Father's October Prayer Intention: Let us pray that the Church continues to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious and laity. The Pope's video message can be viewed on the homepage of our website.

PLEASE NOTE: that there are a number of changes to the times of Holy Mass this week. Please check before coming to church!

OCTOBER, THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY: The Rosary will be prayed on Mondays, in October, at 12:15pm in St Patrick's Church, and on Saturdays in October, at 10.00am in St John's Church. The rosary is prayed each Wednesday at 12 noon in St Mary's Church. Don't forget our parish Zoom Rosary that takes places each Sunday at 6.30pm.

FEAST OF ST TERESA OF AVILA: During the 7.30pm Mass on her feast day, Tuesday 15th October, Father will celebrate a Blessing and Clothing with the Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Scapulars are available from the piety stalls in each of our churches and also from St Patrick's shop before Mass on the 15th.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ST WILLIAM'S PRIMARY SCHOOL: who are celebrating their 150th anniversary! To celebrate this milestone anniversary, St William's Primary are having an Open Afternoon this Monday, at 2pm. There will be displays in the Hall of children's work and some of the older children will give tours of the School. All are welcome.

FROM BING TO BUBLÉ CHRISTMAS CONCERT: with Eagley Band * Community Choir * Community Band. Saturday 14th December at Victoria Hall, Bolton @ 7:30pm. Please add your name to the sheet at the back of church by Sunday 20th October to book your place. Cost is approx £20 inclusive of ticket and coach travel. This promises to be a lovely Christmas evening! (Please ask Ruth if you have any questions, thanks!)

ST PATRICK'S CHILDREN'S LITURGY VOLUNTEERS: Thank you to the those who have expressed an interest in re-starting the Children's Liturgy at the 9:15am Mass. To begin the necessary Safeguarding checks, please can you ensure that you have given Josh your full name as soon as possible. Thanks.

'KEEP IN TOUCH': Friends of St Mary's. Looking forward to meeting up again for tea & chat on Wednesday 16th October 1.30-3.00pm in St Mary's Presbytery.

HOLY HOUR: Monday 21st October at 2.00pm in Sacred Heart Church. In the month dedicated to the Holy Rosary there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, meditation on the Rosary with prayers for peace, readings and hymns, concluding with Benediction. (Refreshments after the Service).

PIOUS LISTS: In the month of November, we remember especially our deceased loved ones and friends at Holy Mass. If you would like to submit a name for the Pious Lists, please fill in a sheet and return, in an envelope alongside your donation, to either the box at the back of the Church, through the presbytery letterboxes or through the Offertory Collection at Mass.

PRAYER INTENTIONS TO OUR LADY: There are slips at the back of the Church if you would like to take petitions to Our Lady of Walsingham (submit no later than Sunday 20th October to be taken on the Parish Pilgrimage) or to Our Lady of Knock (submit no later than Sunday 27th October for Josh to take to Ireland with him). Please mark the envelope clearly with the Shrine you wish for it to go and do not place any monies inside the envelopes.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE—LET THE CHILDREN LIVE: next Monday (21st October) a group of parishioners will be travelling to Walsingham on Pigrimage. We will be praying for all our friends, families and our parish. In Walsingham there is a small charity shop supporting the work of 'Let the Children Live', which supports orphans and street children in Colombia, South America. It has become a 'custom' on recent pilgrimages to take items with us on pilgrimage to support the amazing work the small charity undertakes. If you have any unwanted items—books, DVDs, unwanted Christmas gifts, bric-a-brac, clothing etc please bring it along during the week on next Sunday and place in one of the boxes at the back of each church and we will take it with us next Monday. NB Our departure Mass is at St John's at **8.00am**. Thank you.

ST PATRICK'S CHOIR: We are always looking for new adults to join our friendly and welcoming Choir at the 9:15am Sunday Mass. If you'd like to join us, please find the stairs to the Choir in the Sacristy corridor.

ST PATRICK'S REPOSITORY: Is now fully stocked with Christmas Cards, Gifts and 2025 Calendars. All proceeds to Church Funds. Call in after Mass to purchase!

MINISTRY OF WELCOME: Rotas are at the back of St Patrick's and St John's. If you would like to know more about this ministry, please speak to one of the welcomers at the back of church (at St John's) or Josh (at St Patrick's). Anyone can sign up to the rota at the back of St John's. Thank you.

THANK YOU: to all those involved in the Rosary Celebration last Sunday. Josh Marshall, the President of the Catholic Men's Society, was overwhelmed by your support.

<i>Dates for your diary...</i>	
Mon 21st—Thurs 24th October	Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham
Mon 28th October 6.30pm	Church Cleaning—St Patrick's
Monday 4th November 7.00pm	An Informal Talk on Thomas Woodcock, recipient of the Victoria Cross, in the Lappin Room.
Monday 11th November 7.00pm	Screening in the Lappin Room, of the Film from the Service in June 2000, for the unveiling of the plaque to commemorate Thomas Woodcock VC at the back of St Patrick's Church.
Sunday 1st December 6.00pm	Annual Advent Service —readings, music, reflection. St John's Church
Friday 6th December 7.00pm	Festive Christmas Dinner and Prize Bingo in the Lappin Room. Ticket information to follow.
Sunday 8th December 6.00pm	Pax Christi Peace Vigil —St John's Church
Friday 13th December 7.00pm	Parish Christmas Extravaganza —The Swinley. Quiz, Raffle, DJ, Fun & Games. Save the date
Sunday 15th December 6.00pm	Children's Christingle Service led by Children's Liturgy Group. St John's Church
Friday 27th December 11.30am	St John's Feast Day Mass and Lunch at Papa Luigi (1.00pm). Save the date
Mon 7th—Thurs 10th April	Parish Retreat at Ampleforth Benedictine Monastery. More details to follow.

PLEASE NOTE that items for the newsletter should be emailed to news_items20@aol.com by Thursday 8pm at the latest.