

Welcome to the Parish of Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Yeadon



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Mass Times & Intentions this week

Sunday 7th March 3rd Sunday of Lent	10.00am ◦ Mass	Mass offered for our Parish
Monday 8th March Weekday of Lent	9.30am ◦ Mass	Mass offered for Fr M McQuaid
Tuesday 9th March Weekday of Lent	9.30am ◦ Mass	Mass offered for Mary Rennard
Wednesday 10th March Weekday of Lent	9.30am ◦ Mass	Mass offered for Cherry Evans
Friday 12th March Weekday of Lent	5.30pm ◦ Holy Hour 6.30pm ◦ Mass	(Stations of the Cross approx. 6pm) Mass offered for
Saturday 13th March Vigil of Sunday	5.30pm ◦ Mass	Mass offered for Fr Vincent O'Hara
Sunday 14th March 4th Sunday of Lent <i>Laetare Sunday</i>	10.00am ◦ Mass	Mass offered for our Parish



It is important to reaffirm that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended. We cannot return immediately to our customary practices. Please **KEEP IN TOUCH** via the website, through Facebook or by contacting Fr John.

We need to BOOK TICKETS FOR MASS through the website! Just click the button....

Please Pray For:

- ◇ **Our children who have missed out on Sacraments in November & January!**
- ◇ **The sick and those caring for them:** Pat Byrne, Mary & Ray Chesser, Paul Commerford, Karen DeVito, Barry Falcon, Cheryl Hall, June Heatley, Anthony McKenna, Ian Metcalf, Josephine Metcalfe, Keith Arthur Metcalfe, Kay Nunns (Bloomer), Des Scully, Genie Mason, Karen Gonzalez
- ◇ **Those who have died recently:** Canon Vincent O'Hara, Thomas Grimley
- ◇ **Those whose anniversary occurs at this time:**

EVENTS & CONTACTS

(Possibly not during Covid-19)

APF Red Mission Boxes

Kath Brown: 0113 250 3892

Ceilidh Group, Tuesdays 7.30pm

Theresa Angove 250 9911

Children's Liturgy Group 11am Mass

Karen Hall: 0113 250 5780

Choir

June Heatley (M.D.) 0113 250 9936

Church Cleaning Team

Kath Brown: 0113 250 3892

Convent of Mercy

Tel: 0113 2503458

Friendship Group Meets Tuesdays 10.15am

Karen Hall: 0113 250 5780

Gift Aid Organiser

Terry Bossons 01943 875426

Knights of St Columba

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Parish Centre Bookings:

Karen Hall: 0113 250 5780

Padre Pio Prayer Group, 2nd Thursday

Don Poland 0113 250 3804

Rotas: Eucharistic Ministry

Maureen Wilson 01943 879569 or 07818057131

Rotas: Readers:

Vince Murphy 07876 676660

Rosary Group meets before the 9.30am Mass

Safeguarding Representative:

Kath Andrews: 01943 512481

psr.csweetman@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

St Vincent De Paul Society

Tel: 01943 874136. & 01943 876984

SVP Collections on 1st Sunday of the month.

Please consider non-perishable food donations.

Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Diane Todd Tel: 0113 323 0419

Toddler & Baby Group, Wednesdays 9.15

Julie Alderman 07591651480.

200 Club Janette Dix jan-dix@ntlworld.com

Uniformed Groups:

Rainbows, Mondays 6-7pm:

Claire Jones 07793237866 (in school)

Claire Kilburn 07962 041848 (in Centre)

Brownies, Thursdays:

Steph Armitage 0113 2507671

Church Youth Club! (In school term time)

Meets alternate Sundays from 4-6.20pm

Angie Thompson on 07733 219735

OFFERTORY & Finance update

Due to current circumstances there are no updates except to say THANK YOU to all those who have managed to keep giving to the Church

⇒ **through envelopes**

⇒ **through online giving (see website or facebook)**

⇒ **through text: Text CHURCH YEADON to 70500 to contribute £5 to the Offertory of our Parish.**

⇒ **through Standing Order**

Please set this up on online banking or email the 'office' email for a form.

Thank you to everyone who has started using standing orders & BACS - **average is now £551 per week!**

⇒ **The use of a QR code! Use your mobile to scan!**



Facebook Please like, follow and share our new parish Facebook group! The name of the group is **Ss Peter and Paul RC Church Yeadon** - Parish news and events will be shared on the page.

Website: We have a **website** at this address: **www.sspeterandpauls.com**

Parish Data: PLEASE can all adults update our records and the data we hold about you. (if anything changes) New Data protection guides that **ALL** Parish business must be conducted under Diocese of Leeds email addresses.

For the Office:

office.sspeterpaul.yeadon@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

For the Parish Priest:

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Therefore any information for inclusion in the bulletin please email it to

office.sspeterpaul.yeadon@dioceseofleeds.org.uk
by Thursday morning

Safeguarding at our Church:

We now have a new Diocese of Leeds email address for our safeguarding processes:
psr.csweetman@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Current Sacramental/Service Guide

We need to book tickets for Mass. Use the booking button on the website please!

- **Baptisms; only in extreme circumstances**
- **First Holy Communion - Postponed again**
- **Confirmation - Postponed again**
- **RCIA (*Journey in Faith*) please speak to Fr John**
- **Funerals are allowed, Close family only to a max of 30 people.**
- **Weddings only in extreme circumstances**

LENT

- Stations of the Cross will be part of the HOLY HOUR on a Friday evening, starting at approx. 6pm
- Catholic Care's annual appeal: Weekend of 13th / 14th March.

LENT study groups online:

1. **GOD WITH US:** exploring the Old Testament together – a Scripture course for Lent with Fr Tim Swinglehurst, Mondays 7-8pm via Zoom. For Zoom invitations please email gregory.stacey@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

2. **Deacon Martin's Lenten reflections** on Zoom, to take place on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm and lasting for an hour at most, concentrating on the Old Testament readings for the Sundays of Lent. Email martin.cawley@dioceseofleeds.org.uk for an invitation.

Facebook:

- Each week Fr John will put up some short videos helping us through Lent entitled ***A Matter of Life and Lent***
- ***Peter and Paul's People***: this is Parishioner's posts telling us about themselves and their experiences.

'Remembering with Hope' online service Tues 23rd March at 7pm - On the anniversary of the first lockdown, join with us to commemorate loved ones that died during this past year and remember them with Hope. To book go to www.growinggoldgracefully.org.uk and see the link on the home page.



The winner for March is 115. This was the last month, with delays, that everyone had paid their contributions for.

We will get back to you about how and when we will start up again. Thanks

FINANCE UPDATE

Thank you again to everyone who has started Standing Orders, an 83.6% increase! Maybe we could get to a 100% by the end of the year?

Our TOILET EXTENSION is so useful for so many people and especially in these times of needing cleanliness and washing of hands. Please support our project in any way you can. **Please make a donation by cheque, cash, post, website, text but please mark it for the project. Online payments etc should be marked with the reference code:4204**

We have had 172 donations, 3 grants, and have raised £23,347.47 before gift aid will take that up to over £26K so THANK YOU. But our target is still £50k....

CATHOLIC CARE'S ANNUAL APPEAL: Weekend of 13th / 14th March. Their work for those in need in the community is dependent on grants, donations, fundraising and volunteers. The long pandemic impacts their ability to fundraise so this year's appeal is so important. Please give generously. Donations can be made online: www.catholic-care.org.uk or in the usual ways. **2020 Catholic Care Review is available to look at on our website; no printed copies this year.**

St Stephen's Skipton: school site supervisor. further details on the Trust website www.bishopwheelercatholicacademytrust.org/vacancies/.

Canon Vincent O'Hara died unexpectedly but peacefully Thursday 4th March. Please pray for the repose of Vincent's soul and remember his family and his friends in your prayers at this time. He was our Parish Priest here from 1993 to 2006.

A Prayer of Spiritual Communion (when we cannot receive the Blessed Sacrament)

**My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.**

Lent Thoughts

From the Transfiguration our attention is now turned towards Jerusalem. From the mountain-top experience we now face the harsh realities of life and more...

Today's Gospel records that Jesus goes into the temple and upsets the money-changers' tables. He drives the cattle and sheep out with a whip, along with the people who sold them. Away with the caged pigeons. This is the only violent act of Jesus recorded in the Gospels. With our modern sensibilities it seems shocking that the Prince of Peace is violent, even if only once.

This was a prophetic act. The authorities knew this instinctively. They did not get Jesus arrested, or arrange for Jesus to get beaten up by the security. The authorities asked 'What sign can you show us?'

The cleansing of the temple, as we call this episode of the driving out of the pigeon-sellers and money-changers, is the sign. Like many signs it works on several levels. There were essentially three parts to the temple, the innermost courtyard for Jewish men, then the courtyard for women, and outermost, the courtyard of the Gentiles, the non-Jews. This merchandising occupied at least part of the courtyard of the Gentiles. By throwing the merchants out, Jesus was restoring this courtyard for the use of the Gentiles.

The authorities who permitted the merchandising in the temple would have justified it as helping people worship properly in the temple. The money-changers changed money out of coins with the images of pagan gods into religiously neutral coinage. The cattle and sheep would have been unblemished, acceptable for sacrifice. The pigeon-sellers would have allowed poorer visitors an opportunity of participating in the sacrificial round of worship.

So Jesus may have been symbolically clearing up what was widely perceived as a corrupt business practice and restoring a more equitable business culture. As Christians we may well feel that the contemporary business and economic culture needs reform, so the poor and vulnerable are properly cared for, and that financial integrity is prized over gambling. The Church has constantly called for justice and solidarity in both national and international economic relations. This is trying to live out the ten commandments, our first reading this Sunday, which state 'Thou shalt not steal' and 'Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's ox or his donkey or anything that is his' (Update to 'thou shalt not covet his/her car or house or anything that is his/hers?!')

However, the cleansing of the temple is much more than correcting corrupt business practices. It is about allowing non-Jews to worship along with Jews. The psalms in particular express the great hope that the temple would be for all the peoples. This was one of the great expectations of the coming of the Messiah, the Saviour of God's people, so that all the peoples would worship the one true God. Symbolically Jesus cleanses the temple and allows Gentiles into their courtyard to worship. But at a deeper level it is Jesus who by his passion, death and resurrection allows Gentiles and Jews, men and women into the temple which is his own body so that all might be saved.

'Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up,' Jesus says. The temple authorities think that he is talking of the physical building, and indeed for forty-six years the restoration work had been going on, started during the lifetime of King Herod. But Jesus is thinking of his own *body*, in which he rose from the dead on the third day.

The Jerusalem temple then ultimately is symbolic of the body of Christ himself. From the body of Jesus hanging on the cross came out blood and water, symbolising baptism through which we as individuals, men and women, become part of the body of Jesus. The blood and water also symbolise the Eucharist by which we are sustained in grace. The true temple of God is not any building, however beautiful, however ancient, however long and expensive it has been to build. No, the true temple of God is God's holy people, baptised into his death, redeemed by his precious blood. ***You are God's holy temple.***

Please remember to turn-off mobile phones before Mass begins...Thank you!