

From Sunday's Gospel

Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, how often must I forgive someone who does me wrong? Should it be as often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven times, but seventy-seven times!' Then Jesus told them this story: "There was a king with many servants. One of the servants owed the king an enormous amount of money. The servant could not pay so he begged for more time to pay his debt. The king felt so sorry for him that he even cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him a very small amount of money; but he would not cancel the debt and instead had the poor servant arrested. When the news reached the king, he sent the unforgiving servant to prison to be punished."



The Sunday Gospel through School on Wednesday

Pope Francis writes:

"May each family rediscover family prayer, which helps to bring about forgiveness" Forgiveness is one of God's

greatest gifts to us and we must try and forgive others in the same way that we want God (and others) to forgive us. "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us..." What helps us to forgive others and what comes in the way of our forgiving others? Can we make it a nightly practice to ask for God's forgiveness with an Act of Contrition and to thank God for the blessings of the day?

Ministers

Liturgy of the Word

6.00pm K.Stokes
8.30am J.McMahon
10.00am J.Sheard

September 17th

Liturgy of the Eucharist

S.Dyson/T.Spalding
S.Crewdson/M.Booth
M.Kehoe/M.Farmer

September 24th

6.00pm P.Redshaw
8.30am C.Ivatts
10.00am S.Rudd

S.Dyson/T.Spalding
S.Crewdson/M.Booth
G.Leggat/C.Hall

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

If you are making out a cheque please make it payable to
DIOCESE OF LEEDS— SACRED HEART



Sacred Heart & St. William

31 High Street
Uppermill OL3 6HS
web: www.sacredheartparish.org.uk

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time **September 17th 2017 (Matthew's Gospel)**

Times of Masses & Intentions

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| Saturday Vigil | 6.00pm | Anne Lewis |
| Sunday | 8.30am | People of the Parish |
| | 10.00am | Sr Camilus Davilly |
| | | Refreshments after Mass |
| Monday | 9.30am | Service of the Word & Holy Communion |
| Tuesday | 9.30am | Service of the Word & Holy Communion |
| | 8.00pm | Taizé Prayer group |
| Wednesday | 12.00 noon | Service of the Word & Holy Communion |
| Thursday | 9.30am | Service of the Word & Holy Communion |
| Friday | 9.30am | Service of the Word & Holy Communion |
| Saturday | 10.00am | Yorkshire Brethren |
| Saturday Vigil | 6.00pm | Audrey Hilton |
| Sunday | 8.30am | People of the Parish |
| | 10.00am | Joan Bradbury |

Confessions: After the 10.00am Mass on Saturday and on request

Exposition: 40 minutes before Mass each weekday

When there is A Service of the Word & Holy Communion there is NO Exposition

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Bishop Marcus has asked that the following notice be put in parish newsletters:



"Batley Torchlight Procession 2017 This notice is to inform you that, with great reluctance, it has been necessary to take the decision to cancel the Batley Torchlight Procession this year. St Mary's Church in Batley has been undergoing extensive structural renovation works and this required the erection of scaffolding throughout the entire interior of the church. In planning the work it was anticipated that the scaffolding would be removed and the renovations completed well before the procession was due to take place on Monday 2nd October. Regrettably though, the work will not now be completed before the planned date of the procession. The Parish Priest, Fr Eamonn Hegarty, discussed the situation with Bishop Marcus and it was agreed that in the interests of safety at such a large public event, it would be prudent to cancel the procession this year. The decision will be disappointing to many of the pilgrims who regularly attend this wonderful public witness of our Catholic faith but it is hoped they will understand that the safety of all those who attend needs to be paramount. The organisers wished to give as much notice as possible of the need to cancel this year's event. Be assured though that the annual Batley Torchlight Procession will, God willing, resume again in 2018."



Scripture Reflection

There will be a Scripture Reflection on Friday 29th September at 10.15am in the Parish Room. All Welcome

Sacred Heart & St William Film Night



Friday September 29th
7.00pm—9.30pm Parish Centre
Tea/Coffee/Biscuits available
Please see the poster at the back of church and in the porch.

Caritas Leeds—Formal Launch September 23rd 2017



What does Caritas Leeds mean to our Diocese?

In his Apostolic Letter *On the Service of Charity* Pope Benedict XVI stated that, 'Wherever necessary, due to the number and variety of initiatives, the diocesan Bishop is to establish in the Church in his care, and Office to direct and coordinate the service of charity in his name.' Therefore, Caritas Leeds is an umbrella organisation where all charities, agencies, projects, services,

groups that are involved in social action or social care in the Diocese of Leeds, whose work is inspired by the Gospel and operate in accordance with Catholic Doctrine and social teaching, can meet together on a regular basis.

What does Caritas Leeds mean to your local parish? To continue with your current charitable works and to have opportunities to work with other parishes with the aim of working in a more coordinated way and identifying other social needs in our neighbourhoods which may not be currently recognised or addressed.

How can I get involved? By attending the launch on Saturday 23rd September at Notre Dame Sixth Form College 1.00pm—5.00pm (See notice board in porch)



Summer Celebration of Faith

Now that most people will be back from summer holidays we will have a Meeting on **THURSDAY September 28th in the Parish Centre 7.00pm for 7.30-9.00pm**. This will be an opportunity to reflect on the week in July and to make plans for the future direction of the Parish. All welcome

Sunday School 2017-18 First Meeting Sunday October 1st



Bishop Marcus has made some very significant changes in Sacramental Preparation which will be introduced throughout the diocese in the coming years. It is, therefore, very important that **All Parents with children attending Sunday School be at the First Meeting on SUNDAY OCTOBER 1st after the 10.00am Mass—**
Please make a note of this date. Thank you
(The Saddleworth Olympics finish Sunday 24th!)