

From Sunday's Gospel

Jesus said to his disciples, "There is still another baptism I must undergo. I am going to be put to a hard test and how hard it will be until it is over. Do you think I have come to bring peace here on earth? No, I tell you, rather I bring division as I make people face difficult decisions. For, from now on, even a household as small as five will be divided in this way, perhaps two against three, or three against two; perhaps a father against a son, or a son against a father; or a mother against a daughter, or a mother in law against her son's bride, or a bride against her mother in law."



The Sunday Gospel through School on Wednesday

Pope Francis writes, my dear young people, illuminated by the light of the Gospel and supported by the sacraments, we can guide our decisions towards good.

Today's word is **Decisions**. Deciding to follow Jesus is the most important decision that we will ever have to make. In this Sunday's Gospel passage, like teachers of his time, Jesus uses blunt language to get the attention of his disciples. Following Jesus will involve making difficult decisions which might make them unpopular. Given this are we willing to follow him this week?

Ministers

August 18th

Liturgy of the Word

6.00pm M.Jefferis
8.30am M.Howell
10.00am A.Kirkman

Liturgy of the Eucharist

T.Spalding/C.Hall
S.Crewdson/M.Booth
C.Ward/K.McKune

August 25th

6.00pm C.Hall
8.30am M.Jefferis
10.00am S.Gibson

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

New Rotas at the back of the church. New Readers and changes to Ministers.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

First: £389.15 Second: £158.84 Shop: £218.23 Thank You

Cheques please to DIOCESE OF LEEDS— SACRED HEART



Sacred Heart & St William

31 High Street

Uppermill OL3 6HS

Web: www.sacredheartparish.org.uk

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 18th 2019 (Luke's Gospel)

Times of Masses & Intentions

Saturday Vigil	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	8.30am	David Simmonds
	10.00am	People of the Parish
Refreshments after Mass		
Monday	9.30am	Special Intention
Tuesday	9.30am	November Dead List
Wednesday	12.00noon	Mona Fallows
Thursday	9.30am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Friday	9.30am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Saturday	10.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Saturday Vigil	6.00pm	James Lewis
Sunday	8.30am	Priest's Intention
	10.00am	Seb Paterson & Emma Howarth and Families

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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Whit Friday and the NAAFI café

From the Whit Friday Committee... **Thank you** to everyone who helped with the NAAFI café over the weekend (August 10 & 11) by making cakes, preparing food and drinks, serving customers, washing up and tidying it all away. All your efforts were rewarded as a total of £2012.20 was raised which should cover the Whit Friday Walk of Witness expenses for 2020.



Roof Repairs and Church Heating



Work has now been successfully completed on the church roof.

Two new boilers have been installed in the sacristy in preparation for upgrading the heating in the church. As mentioned before the work will not be completed until the beginning of September due to the AAH Committee's requirement for flat fronted radiators which have to be specially ordered.

Please watch this space for further information.

An Invitation from Bishop Marcus



Celebration of Married Life: On Saturday 5th October 2019, there will be a special Celebration Mass for Married Life at Leeds Cathedral at 6pm for couples and their families celebrating their 25th (Silver), 40th (Ruby), 50th (Golden), 60th (Diamond) and 70th (Platinum) wedding anniversaries this year, 2018. The Mass will fulfil the Sunday Obligation and

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 send it to Miss Anne Cooke, Bishop's House, 13 North Grange Road, Leeds, LS6 2BR or email it to bishop@dioceseofleeds.org.uk by Tuesday, 10th September 2019.

Booking Forms available at the back of the Church

Welcome to the Parish



Next weekend, August 24th/25th the parish welcome Mgr Paul Fisher, VG, who will celebrate the weekend Masses while Fr Bernard is on retreat. He will also be here the following two weekends.

CAFOD News



Since 2014 our parish has been raising money for the "Connect to Cambodia" project. During this time we have raised £6,370 which has helped to change the lives of some of the world's poorest communities. The project has now drawn to an

end, and we are embarking on a new project, "Hands On" to help a community in Columbia. Please look at the notice board in church to see how communities in Cambodia have, with your help, made great progress.

We now look forward to "Hands on Columbia."

Thank You Anne.



Diocesan Event

LEEDS DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

will take place this year on **Saturday 28th September 2019**. The Pilgrimage will begin with the celebration of Holy Mass starting at 12:00 Noon at the Catholic Shrine located near the Slipper Chapel. The Mass will be followed by Lunch. We will then make a Solemn Procession into the village of Walsingham and end with a service around 4:30 pm.



From the Diocese



School Vacancy: St John's Catholic School for the Deaf are recruiting for a School Business Manager. This is a senior appointment in a Catholic residential and day school for children with communication and other special needs. Closing date: 13 September 2019. Further details can be found on the School's web site: www.stjohns.org.uk/current-vacancies/

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

To put the world in order, we must first put the nation in order; to put the nation in order, we must first put the family in order; to put the family in order, we must first cultivate our personal life; we must set our hearts right.
(Confucius)