

From Sunday's Gospel

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister called Mary, who chose to sit down in front of Jesus to listen to him. Now Martha, who was busy preparing the meal said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do

the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me." But Jesus answered, "Martha, Martha, you worry and fret about so many things, but only one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen what is good; this will not be taken from her."



Pope Francis writes, my dear young people, open up your hearts and listen to what God is saying to you." Today's word Listening. What did Mary do that was

good? In today's gospel, Jesus knows that household jobs have to be done, but he reminds us how important it is to take time to listen to God. Jesus does not force us to listen to him, but he knows what is best for us. Listening is a sign of real love, a powerful way of showing we care. Who do we listen to most of all? Will we find time to listen to God this week in our prayers?

<u>Ministers</u>

<u>Liturgy of the Word</u>

6.00pm M.Jefferis 8.30am J.McMahon 10.00am T.King

July 28th

July 21st

6.00pm C.Hall 8.30am C.Ivatts

10.00am D.Friedrich

Liturgy of the Eucharist C.Hall/S.Dyson S.Crewdson/M.Booth M.Farmer/M.Keogh

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

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

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

First: £437.40 Second: £190.09 Shop: £231.56 Thank You Donation: £15.00 Birthday Collection: £426.00 Cheques please to DIOCESE OF LEEDS— SACRED HEART



Sacred Heart & St William

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

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 21st 2019 (Luke's Gospel)

Times of Masses & Intentions

Saturday Vigil	6.00pm	Eileen Partington
Sunday	8.30am	People of the Parish
	10.00am	Mrs Needle
		Refreshments after Mass
Monday	9.30am	Special Intention (DS)
Tuesday	9.30am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Wednesday	12.00noon	Frank Holmes
Thursday	9.30am	November Dead List
Friday	9.30am	Mrs A Stoppard
Saturday	10.00am	Jack Ackerley
Saturday Vigil	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	8.30am	Vivienne McKelvey & Mary Lee
	10.00am	Ann McCarthy

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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Family Faith Formation

Last Sunday's celebration in the parish centre after the 10.00am Mass brought this year's Family Faith Formation Sessions to an enjoyable end. Thanks to those who were able to bring the folders to the altar at the offertory and then to receive them back in the parish centre. Thanks, also, to those parents who filled in the application form for Family Faith Formation 2019-2020. There are forms at

the back of the church for parents to fill in over the next weeks. The Saddleworth Olympics take place in September so our first meeting for 2019-2020 will be on Sunday 29th September. Finally, a huge thank you to the catechists who have been so faithful throughout the year, meeting regularly to prepare the sessions and to be with our children and young people each month. We are very blessed as a parish to have such dedicated people.

Parish Pastoral Council AGM



Thanks to all those who gave reports to the PPC at the recent AGM. They are an indication of the many aspects of parish life both as service to parishioners and outreach beyond the parish. Thanks to the continued generosity of our parishioners the parish is able to

undertake important roof repairs and to replace the heating system in the church. The work on the roof will begin towards the end of July and the work to replace the old heaters in church at the beginning of August. Inevitably there will be some disruption, but hopefully, this will be kept to a minimum.

Whit Friday Walk of Witness.



Do you want our very special tradition to continue? The expenses incurred for the event are considerable traffic management costs, security, hire of bands, insurance, to name a few. To raise the funds for next years' walk the combined parishes of Sacred Heart and St Chad's will once again be serving up the NAAFI café over the

"Yanks are back in Saddleworth" weekend, Please offer your time to ensure the Café can go ahead. 8 volunteers are needed on duty at all times; 2 for each duty; serving food, taking money, clearing tables and washing up. Look out for the volunteer schedule in the coming weeks.



CAF D Catholic Agency for Overseas Developmen beyond reach

Climate Change is very much in the news and the UK Government has been advised to set a target to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 'net zero' by 2050. UK faith leaders have backed this call for a net zero target. Bishop John Arnold of Salford, and CAFOD Chair said, "This is an

ambitious target which will be welcomed by thousands of Catholics in this country who have responded to Pope Francis' call for us to protect our common *home.*" CAFOD is petitioning the Government to achieve net zero emissions by 2045. Please see the petition forms at the back of the church for anyone who wishes to sign.



Mick and Mary Farmer support a charity called **Sustainable** Global Gardens which aims to relieve poverty by promotion of small-scale environmental, agricultural and social welfare projects in communities where income is below \$2/day. To raise

funds they are organising AFTERNOON TEA on SAT 27TH JULY in the SACRED HEART & ST WILLIAM PARISH CENTRE from 11.00am - 4.00pm All welcome—bring a friend!

Buggy Appeal



The mother who sells the Big Issue outside the Co-op in Uppermill is in urgent need of a buggy. If anyone has a buggy that is no longer in use and are prepared to part with it please contact Heidi on 01457 873568. Thank you.



"We pray to God for his name to be holy, and it is up to us to make his name holy. We pray for his kingdom to come, and it is up to us to build it. We pray that his will be done on earth, and it is up to us to

do his will. We pray to him for bread, and it is up to us to make it and share it. We pray to him for forgiveness, and it is up to us to forgive. We pray not to fall into evil and it is up to us to escape from it. That's what is interesting about this prayer. I think a lot of people don't say the Lord's prayer, but in their hearts they are asking for all this." (Fr Ernesto Cardenal)