

Morley Parish News – 10 July 2020

July – Month of Devotion to the Most Precious Blood of Christ

Pope's prayer intention for July: that families be loved, respected, guided

****Pope Francis: ****The Word of God is given to us as the Word of life, which transforms, renews, and does not judge in order to condemn, but heals and has forgiveness as its aim. A Word that is light for our steps.

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Sunday, 12 July: Sea Sunday – Stellar Maris (Apostleship of the Sea)

Please see the attached information about Stellar Maris, celebrating their Centenary this year. Because of the pandemic, a collection will be taken later in the year to support this charity.

Pope Francis sent the seafarers this message:

"Know that you are not alone and that you are not forgotten. Your work at sea often keeps you apart from others, but you are close to me in my thoughts and prayers, and in those of your chaplains and the volunteers of Stella Maris."

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St Francis Church – Re-opening for Private Prayer and Mass

St Francis parish church is now open **for private prayer:**

- **Wednesday evenings, 6.30 – 7.30 pm**
- **Sunday mornings, 9.30 – 11.30 am**

We can only accommodate a maximum number in church at any one time (currently 28), so we are suggesting that people only stay for 10 –

15 minutes. In order to maintain safety and wellbeing of all, please follow the directions of the stewards. There is a one-way system plus hand sanitizer stations. There will be no movement around the church and there will be NO toilet facilities.

You will need to register your attendance as there is an obligation to maintain such details for 21 days for the track and trace system.

Father Galvin is making preparations to open church for Mass. Again, there will be limited numbers so a "booking system" will be put in place; we will advise once it is available and how to use it. Further information regarding resumption of Mass and the sacraments will be advised as it becomes available.

****Please note that the Sunday obligation is still suspended and so people do not have to go to Mass on Saturday or Sunday. ****

As the church opens for Mass, please consider if you could come to a weekday Mass rather than a Sunday Mass, in particular to give an opportunity to those who cannot attend during the week to come to Mass. Please also consider how often you book for Mass, again so that as many people as possible may attend over a period of time.

If you are willing to volunteer as a steward or cleaner, please contact Canon Galvin at pp.stwilliam.morley@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or 0113 253 4881

Please provide your contact details (eg email, phone) and when you would be available.

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Leeds Cathedral, the Mother Church of the Diocese of Leeds

The Cathedral will soon be opening for Mass and other sacraments. Live-streaming will continue but, from next week, liturgies and prayers may be at times different from the current schedule. It also appears that times of private prayer may cease / be changed. As the situation is

changing on a regular basis, please consult the diocesan website for the most current information: www.leedscathedrallive.org.uk

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Ordinations

Please pray for Reverend Henry Longbottom and Reverend Darren Jones who will be ordained priests in Leeds Cathedral on 17 July and 25 July respectively. It is anticipated that these ordinations will be subject to physical distancing requirements and, as a consequence, there may be a limit to the numbers who can attend. Please keep them in your prayers at this time.

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Upcoming Feasts, Celebrations

- Saturday, 11 July: St Benedict, Abbot & Patron of Europe
- Sunday, 12 July: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday, 13 July: St Henry
- Tuesday, 14 July: St Camillus de Lellis, Priest
- Wednesday, 15 July: St Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
- Thursday, 16 July: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
- Friday, 17 July: Weekday in Ordinary Time
- Saturday, 19 July: Dedication of the Cathedral
- Sunday, 20 July: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Our Parish Needs Your Support

Although we have not been able to meet together to celebrate the sacraments and the Mass, the parish still needs your prayers and financial support. The bills keep coming in spite of our inability to have a usual Offertory Collection.

Please consider how you might be able to support your parish during this difficult period, perhaps consider a standing order as many facilities do not wish to handle cash.

You can find out more by going to the Supporting Your Parish section that also appears on the homepage of the website or by clicking the link below or paste it into your browser [DONATE](#)

Or - To contribute £5 to the Parish Offertory, please text CHURCH MORLEY to 70500

Thank you.

Thank you to those who have chosen to donate this way – so far, we have received £1000 via the Website and £130 through the text service

Thank you also to those who have managed to maintain their standing order payments through this difficult time. We have had one new standing order set up – please contact the Parish Office for details if you would like to do this (details below)

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Rest in Peace – Please pray for the repose of the souls of family & friends, particularly those who have died recently or whose anniversaries occur about this time including:

David Crossley, father of Duncan Crossley

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Hymns at Home: One Diocese, Many Voices – Sunday 12 July, 3pm

We can't sing hymns in church at present – but we can sing Hymns at Home!

Bishop Marcus is pleased to introduce *Hymns at Home: One Diocese, Many Voices. *The 'Songs of Praise Big Sing'-style video will be premiered simultaneously across all the Diocese of Leeds You Tube channels on Sunday 12 July at 3pm. *Tune in to

www.leedscathedrallive.org.uk or

[*www.schoolssingingprogramme.org.uk](http://www.schoolssingingprogramme.org.uk) to join in with recordings from our Diocesan Choirs and the young people in our Schools Singing Programme, leading us in well-known Catholic hymns subtitled on screen for everyone to sing along at home. A poster is attached for information.

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Diocese of Leeds Annual Report for 2019 – 20 is available via the diocesan website: <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/LDT-ANNUAL-REPORT-2020.pdf>

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****When we return ****to the celebration of Mass we will not be able to use shared prayer books. CTS has compiled a selection of missals, and the Order of Mass, alongside books which will help you [rejuvenate your love for the Mass](https://www.ctsbooks.org/returning-to-mass). You may wish to consult their website <https://www.ctsbooks.org/returning-to-mass>

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Unlocking St Matthew's Gospel with Voices from the Diocese of Leeds

This is the latest in a series of our 'Stay Safe' resources produced to celebrate the *Year of the Word. ***St Matthew's Gospel Unlocked** is a recording of the entire Gospel of St Matthew using readers of all ages,

backgrounds and accents from parishes, schools and institutions throughout the Diocese of Leeds.

A response to the COVID-19 Lock-down, the project has involved more than 150 people who have contributed by recording passages at home using mobile 'phones, tablets and computers. Separate recordings have been edited together to form a series of 11 podcasts of roughly equal length. Also included is a video in which a member of the Hard of Hearing Community communicates a passage using sign language.

Year of the Word promoter Deacon Henry Longbottom who helped coordinate and edit the *Matthew Unlocked* project said, 'I have been overwhelmed with the generosity and enthusiasm of our people who have taken up the challenge to make the recordings. The result is not a group of professional actors reciting their lines but something more natural which is really personal to our context.' Saint Matthew's Gospel Unlocked: <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/education/our-faith/year-of-the-word/matthew-unlocked/>

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Papal Appointments

Pope Francis has named Archbishop Claudio Gugerotti as Apostolic Nuncio in Great Britain. Since November 2015, Abp Gugerotti has held the post Apostolic Nuncio to Ukraine. He has previously served as the Pope's representative to Georgia and Armenia, as well as to Azerbaijan (2001-2011), and later as Nuncio to Belarus (2011-2015).

The Apostolic Nuncio represents the Holy Father to the Church in the UK. His role is equivalent to that of an ambassador, representing the Holy See to the UK Government - the Apostolic Nuncio to the Court of St. James's.

Pope Francis has appointed Patrick Joseph McKinney, Bishop of Nottingham as a member to the Pontifical Council for Inter-religious Dialogue.

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CAFOD Petition - Unite against coronavirus

As we cope with coronavirus in the UK, we think of our sisters and brothers in developing countries who are facing this pandemic with fragile health systems, some of which have almost no intensive care beds or ventilators. Food prices have already risen with borders closing, the poorest are losing their jobs and income with wholesale shutdowns. Furthermore, inadequate healthcare, lack of access to washing facilities and limited ability to social distance will result in loss of life on an intolerable scale. The likely impact will be devastating.

We are one global family. In order to continue protecting and improving the lives of those in poor communities, your prayers, gifts and voices are needed now more than ever. Please visit cafod.org.uk/coronavirus to find out ways you can give, act and pray in response to this crisis.

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Mary's Meals

This charity has just released an inspiring new film about their work: [Love Reaches Everywhere](https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/). Hollywood star Gerard Butler went on a life-changing trip to meet some of the communities we serve, see our work in action and find out why [Love Reaches Everywhere](https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/). Please visit Mary's Meals website to see the video and other details of this charity's work: <https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/> Please share the film with your friends, family and colleagues to help spread the word about our beautiful mission.

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****The newsletter and Pause for Thought are now reaching 265 email addresses. ****

Please share this message with your email friends and suggest they may wish to receive our electronic communications. Also consider someone who is housebound or self-isolating. They may wish to be added to the email list – or to get some news via their letterbox if they have no other access.

If you would like to be added to the parish mailing list please contact the Parish Admin. Office office.stwilliam.morley@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

**** Please do not reply to this email ****

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