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## Our Lady & St. Joseph, Aire Valley

St Monica's Presbytery, Bradford Old Road BD16 !SA

**7<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

**Corpus Christi**

Diocese of Leeds Charity Number 249404

*O Lord, may your words be on our lips, and in our hearts.  
 May they give us courage and hope – and draw us nearer to you.*

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Year A  Saturday 6/Sunday 7 June	4.15-4.40 pm Confessions 5 pm Vigil Mass	Bingley	Ted Shearan
	9.15 am Mass	Cottingley	Parish
	11.15 am Mass	Bingley	Rebecca Akinrele
Monday 8 June St William of York, Bishop	10 am Mass	Cottingley	Priest's intention
Tuesday 9 June St Columba, Abbot	9:30-9:55am Exposition	Cottingley	
	10 am Mass	Cottingley	Dead List
Wednesday 10 June	10 am Mass	Cottingley	Dead List
Thursday 11 June St Barnabas, Apostle	6:30pm-6:45pm Confessions		
	7 pm Mass	Cottingley	Dead List
Friday 12 June The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	10 am Mass	Bingley	Dead List
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A  Saturday 13/Sunday 14 June	4.15-4.40 pm Confessions 5 pm Vigil Mass	Bingley	Dead List
	9.15 am Mass	Cottingley	Parish
	11.15 am Mass	Bingley	Gerry Addy



Today we celebrate the profound gift of the Eucharist—the Body and Blood of Christ given for us. Jesus says, “I am the living bread that came down from heaven,” inviting us to recognise Him as the true nourishment our hearts long for. In a world filled with many distractions and empty promises, the Eucharist remains the source of real life, peace, and strength. This sacrament is not merely symbolic, but a real encounter with Christ. When we receive Holy Communion, we are united with Him and with one another, becoming one body in His love. As St. Augustine reminds us: “Behold what you are; become what you receive.” Pope Francis echoes this same truth, teaching: “The Eucharist is

not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak.”

The Eucharist strengthens us in our weakness and sends us out renewed. It calls us to live what we celebrate—to become more compassionate, more forgiving, and more attentive to those in need. As we celebrate Corpus Christi, may we deepen our reverence for Christ truly present among us. Nourished by His Body and Blood, may we go forth to be His presence in the world, bringing His love to all we meet.

The Eucharist unites us to Christ; it also opens us to others making us members of one another, reminding us again of Pentecost where we as a community must share the Good News of God's love with all peoples. Those who recognise Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, recognise their brother and sister who suffers, who is hungry and thirsty, who is a stranger, naked, sick, imprisoned and they are attentive to every person's need.' (Pope Benedict XVI - Corpus Christi June 2011)

# Parish Notices

## First Sacraments Part 1:

Please check in with Fr. Polland after Mass.

**Sacrament of Confirmation:** Congratulations to all our young people who received the sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday evening.

**Finance Committee:** will meet on Monday 8 June at 7:00pm in the Presbytery. If you are unable to attend, please let Fr. Polland know.

## Ministers at Masses this weekend

Saturday 06/06 17:00 Eucharistic minister Michael Rewilak  
Readers Anne McArthur, P Natalie Baines

Sunday 07/06 09:15 Eucharistic minister H Danuta Petrie  
Readers R Teresa Mills, Kevin King

Sunday 07/06 11:15 Eucharistic minister Peter Harrison  
Readers Viv Drake, P Irene Stanford-Wood

## Ministers at Masses next weekend

Saturday 13/06 17:00 Eucharistic minister  
Readers Anne McArthur, P Natalie Baines

Sunday 14/06 09:15 Eucharistic minister H A Barker  
Readers R Teresa Mills, P Kevin King

Sunday 14/06 11:15 Eucharistic minister  
Readers Viv Drake, P Irene Stanford-Wood

**Please remember in your prayers** all who are sick and those who care for them, especially:

Anita Austick	Liam Kay	John Moran
Angela Barnes	Rita King	David Ohr
Marisa Bell	Jacob Kinsey	Tony Shipman
Maria Binns	Ria Koetsier	Steven Shaw
Michael Bradley	Melissa Le Coultre	Neil Smith
Sylvie Cantopher	Patricia Long	Rosamund Spencer
Frieda Clapham	Richard Longden	Jeff Trotter
Rita Curtin	Brian Marie	Mary Walker
Anna Danys	Andrew Markham	Sandra Walton
Barbara Furniss	Christine Matthews	Lisa White
Paul Gallagher	Paul McMenamin	Patrick White
Ian Harrison	Harry McKenna	Ann Wilkinson
Elizabeth Hartley	Philomena McKenna	Madeleine Wilkins

Please contact Colin 01274 566332 with any changes to this list.

**Sanctuary Candles** are lit each week in memory of your loved ones. Please keep the following in your prayers:

Henryka Dickerson (Peplinski) Eileen & Bryan Johnson  
Nick & Frances Nicholl

**A SUMMERTIME CONCERT WITH CHORDIALITY, 3pm Sunday 5 July, 2026 (a fund-raising event on behalf of the Bingley and Cottingley S.V.P.) TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE, £10 to include a glass of prosecco and cream tea (with thanks to U.C.M.) See S.V.P. members after Mass to purchase or Tel. Stephen 07852 733064 or Anne 07970 632230 to reserve tickets for payment at door. Many thanks, Steve Cook**

**How To Read Saint Paul:** This short course, led by Fr Mark Jarmuz, will look at Saint Paul's life and letters, exploring what we can learn about the man and his teachings for our Faith. **Location:** SS John Fisher & Thomas More Parish Hall, Bradford Road, Burley in Wharfedale LS29 7PX. **Dates:** Wednesdays 7pm-8:30pm, 10 June, 17 June, 24 June. To book, please email: [mark.jarmuz@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:mark.jarmuz@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

Please email **items for the parish bulletin** to me (Colin) at [bulletin@ourladyandstjoseph.org.uk](mailto:bulletin@ourladyandstjoseph.org.uk) before Wednesday and I'll try to fit your item in.

## Retiring Collection for Day for Life – 20/21 June

Day for Life was started to celebrate the positive teaching on life. The collection is used to support the Anscombe Bioethics Centre and other causes.

## The Parish Memorial Book (Book of Remembrance)

The book has these memories for this coming week:

6 James Greenhorn	10 Cpl. Thomas Pickles (died in a German POW Hospital 1918)
6 Alice Ickeringill	
6 John Longbottom	10 Victor James Price
7 Richard Rowley	10 Mary Sorbitt
8 Margaret Lena Deighan	12 Christine (Tina) Holroyd
9 Cedric Woolfenden	13 Joseph McCausland
10 David Hinkley	14 James F. Christie

To have your loved ones included in the Parish Memorial Book, please send their name and date of death to [bulletin@ourladyandstjoseph.org.uk](mailto:bulletin@ourladyandstjoseph.org.uk)

**A coffee morning/social gathering** is held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in the meeting room at **Sacred Heart Church**. Everyone is welcome. The next will be on 9<sup>th</sup> June from 10.00 to 11.30.

## Pope Leo's Intention June: For The Values Of Sports

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity and personal growth.

**Bingley Food Bank** Thank you to those of you who donate regularly. If you're thinking of donating, right now things are very busy and most of the shelves are a little bare, so anything would be really useful but Coffee (not de-caff), Tea bags (small boxes), Tins of fruit (mandarins, peaches, pineapple etc.) would be particularly welcome: <https://bingleyfoodbank.org.uk/how-to-donate-food/>

**CAFOD: Magnificent Humanity** On 25th May, Pope Leo delivered Magnifica Humanitas, responding to the challenges that we face today, including AI. 'Technology has the power to heal, connect, educate and protect our common home, but it can also divide and generate new forms of injustice'. We must regulate this technology in order to protect the environment, and work to ensure that people are not exploited because of it. As well as justice, the world needs peace. In a culture of power, we see increased division and polarisation, a normalisation of war and the prospect of AI making rapid decisions about life and death detached from ethical considerations. Because weapons today are so powerful, wars cannot be the solution: the cost to innocent civilian life is too high. Instead of war, we must resolve conflict through dialogue, diplomacy and forgiveness. Each of us has a part to play in this.

*With the same faith as Mary, let us become 'weavers of hope' in our world, so that the presence of Jesus may grow among us and his Kingdom take shape. Amen.*

**Fountains Abbey Mass:** Mass for the Feast of St Bernard, is on Tuesday 14 July at 12 noon. All welcome. Free entry for those attending Mass!

St Joseph's Catholic primary school Parent and Friend Association has arranged with **Shama restaurant in Bingley a fundraising evening for the school** on Monday 29th June. A set meal costs £20 per head [Poppadoms and pickle tray to share, Any starter, Any main, Any sundry, BYO alcohol], with £10 per meal purchased donated directly back to the PFA. Takeaway is also available for the same offer but must be pre-ordered. Please spread the word. Anyone can attend and the PFA will receive the donation, as long as you book via the PFA. Book early to avoid disappointment. For details or to book your tickets, please contact [bingley.st.josephs.pfa@gmail.com](mailto:bingley.st.josephs.pfa@gmail.com)