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Apostle Abbott

Bishop

Doctor

Martyr

Priest Religious

Virgin

Saturday 7th Sunday 8th

6.00pm. Vigil Mass 23rd Week Ordinary Time

9.30am. Sunday Mass

Tuesday 10th 10.00am. Mass

St. Ambrose Barlow M

Wednesday 11th 10.00am Mass

Thursday 12th Exposition and Benediction 5.45pm - 6.25pm

Mass 6.30pm. Most Holy Name of Mary

Friday 13th 10.30am. Funeral Service for Ann Leonard. RIP

1.10pm - Primary School Mass in Church

(time is approximate)

Saturday 14th No Confessions today. Sorry for any inconvenience.

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Saturday 14th Sunday 15th 6.00pm. Vigil Mass 23rd Week Ordinary Time

9.30am. Sunday Mass

Sacramental Programme 2024-2025

If your child will be aged 7 by next Easter then you are invited to enrol your child on our next Sacramental Programme preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. Completion of this programme will lead to receiving these Sacraments around Easter next year.

To enrol your child you will need to attend the **registration meeting** which is for PARENTS OR CARERS ONLY, not the children. This meeting will be in church on Wednesday 27th November at 7.00pm.

Children who are **registered** for the programme will be **Enrolled** on the programme at the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 1st December. This is the First Sunday of Advent, the beginning of the Church's Liturgical Year.

For more information and the dates of the Programme Masses and Instructions please see the Sacramental Programme page on the parish website or (click this link).

Collection after Mass this weekend

There will be a collection for Catholic Education Sunday this weekend. This is one of the oldest days of special Prayer in England and Wales, established in 1848.

This year's theme is 'We are not alone', inspired by Pope Francis' Synod on Synodality as we journey forward as one Church. It also reminds us that God is always with us.

Update on our Diocesan Synod

Four themes emerged from the "Big Listen" last winter. A summary leaflet on theme 1 (Nurturing faith in tomorrow's world) has been made available to you to read, reflect on, and pray about. You can also access it via this link:-

https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Theme-One-Summary-Leaflet-final.pdf

We are all invited to make responses to be considered at the Synod in March 2025. How can you participate? By attending a parish meeting (Sunday 15th September, after the 9.30 mass in the St Peter and St Paul's room in the Presbytery) where you can explore the first theme and propose actions, OR, by proposing actions directly in writing and placing them in the suggestion box provided at the back of the church.

Three further meetings are planned to cover each of the remaining themes, on 20th October, 17th November, and 15th December. A summary leaflet on each theme will be made available to you at the beginning of each month.

Synod Prayer:

Loving Father,

be with us as we seek new ways of being your people in our Diocese.

May each new day bring us closer to your son Jesus,

as we follow his teaching and become disciples of love.

As we continue our Synodal journey, draw us closer to each other.

May the truth of your Spirit enlighten us.

Open our hearts, as we listen to each other and reach out in love to your people.

Stay with us, Lord, on our journey. Amen.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Pray for Us. St Joseph, Pray for Us.

Annual retreat at The Briery, Ilkley

From 4.00 pm Friday 18th October to 2.00 pm Sunday 20th October 2024

Single en suite rooms; lift; ground floor rooms. Cost £170 with own transport or lifts can be arranged. theme: Pilgrims of hope, led by Linda and Helen.

Contact Sue Barnes: 01282 618231. £20.00 deposit to Sue please by the 7th of September and the remainder payable via phone/card to the Briery.

A Mens' Retreat Day

Saturday 19th October: Men's Retreat Day organisted by St. John Southworth Parish.

more details here Some of you may remember that last year Fr. Gerard arranged a Retreat Day at the parish of one of his priest friends who gave us a couple of talks. There was free time and a celebration of Mass. It was a great day and about 30 men of very mixed ages all came together and really enjoyed the talks, the space, the peace and the Spirit amongst us all. I certainly found it uplifting. The venue is ideal and the same as last year, but the speaker is different. The invitation was extended to our parish and a few accepted it. It would be great if a few more men would consider this opportunity to experience our Faith together by joining this event this year. Fr. Peter.