

# ST. THERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS

The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph -Year A

**27th December 2025 Vigil Mass**

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*A warm welcome to St Theresa's whether you are a regular parishioner, visiting or new to the parish.*

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>27th December</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>St Theresa's</b>	People of the parish
Sunday	28th December	10.00am	St Bernard's	Ben Snowden - ill
<b>Monday</b>	<b>29th December</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>		
Tuesday	30th December	10.00am	St Bernard's	
Thursday	1st January	10.00am	St Bernard's	Mary, the Mother of God
<b>Friday</b>	<b>2nd January</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>St Theresa's</b>	
Saturday	3rd January	10.00am	St Bernard's	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>3rd January</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>St Theresa's</b>	
Sunday	4th January	10.00am	St Bernard's	

<b>DATE:</b>	<b>WELCOMERS:</b>	<b>READERS:</b>
27th December	G. Coyne & H. Macintyre	M. Brooksbank
3rd January	G. Jarvis & A. McGahey	S & P Middlemiss

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** *Blessed are all who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *Alleluia, Alleluia. Let the piece of Christ rule in your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. Alleluia*

**Confession:** 6.15pm prior to the vigil Mass. **Offertory Collection:** £117.50 *Thank you*

*Please keep in mind all those who need our prayers:*

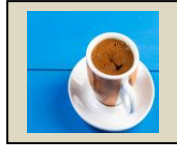
**St Theresa's:** Emily Hewerdine, Maisie Savage, Ruth Richardson, The Hales Family, Lilian & family, Terry Hall, Sam Rose, Michael Spence, Inge Parkinson, Fausto D'Italia, Jean & Barry Parker, Peter Wilby, Julie Simpson, Val Handforth, Phil Nielson, Sharon Chapman, Madison Fox, Joe Whaley, Eunice Brown, Pat Rimmington, Mark Collier, Rev. Stephen Gott and many special intentions. **St. Bernard's:** Jean Barraclough

**Those who have died recently:** Mae Dunne RIP

**Those whose anniversaries occur about this time:** Gilbert Morgan, David Whitfield, Leonard Greenwood

## PARISH EVENTS:

There will be tea and coffee in the Church Hall after Mass. All welcome.



**FATIMA MASS** – The next Mass will be on Monday January 12th 2026. All welcome.



### Hall Activities resuming in the New Year:

Craft Group – Tuesday afternoon  
Stay & Play – Thursday morning 8th January  
Yoga - Friday 9th January evening  
**Well Being Café** – 1.30pm – 3.30pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month. Contact Jo Greenwood 07787431176 or turn up on the day.

**THANK YOU TO THE 13 PARISHIONERS WHO CAME TO DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS. THE CHURCH LOOKS BEAUTIFUL.**

### Two Appointments from the Vatican.

Pope Leo XIV has accepted the retirement of Cardinal Vincent Nichols as Archbishop of Westminster. He has been succeeded by the Right Reverend Richard Moth, formerly Bishop of Arundel and Brighton. Our very own Bishop Marcus Stock has also been appointed Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Middlesbrough in addition to his role as Bishop of Leeds.

**Flower Rota:** week ending 9th January –

**Cleaning Rota:** Week ending 30th January Fel Kennedy & Christine Rothwell

The collection at Christmas is your personal gift to the priest.



*Pope Francis' prayer for December: for Christians in areas of conflict.*

*Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation and hope.*

### SECOND COLLECTIONS:

11th January 2026 Poor Missions Fund  
25th January 2026 Racial Justice

### SAINT JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Address:** Portland Road, Halifax HX3 6LA

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Mrs M. Togher

**CONGRATULATIONS, CONGRATULATIONS.**

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary Academy



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### New Year's Day Walk and Lunch

As usual there will be a New Year's Day Walk departing from the Church Hall at 11am. It will be just about an hour and a half - so about 2.5 miles and has been graded easy /moderate.

On returning there will be lunch served in the hall at 12.30pm consisting of mulled wine, homemade soup and fresh bread followed by mince pies etc etc.

If you don't want to walk or can't, then you are **very welcome** to just come for lunch. In order to help with the catering, please would you sign up on the notice in the kitchen area of the hall. It has been a popular event in the past and we hope it will be this year. We are looking forward to seeing a good turn out on the day.

### DEANERY EVENTS :

[www.halifax-deanery.org.uk](http://www.halifax-deanery.org.uk)

**SVP** has a group at St Mary's - contact 07512 011440

**Brew and Chat**- 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at St Columba's Church 10.30am – 12.30pm  
There is also a craft group led by Agnes Quinn for anyone who would like to join.

**Walk off the Pounds** – every Thursday at 10.30am – 11.30am in St Columba's Church hall.

### ST BERNARD'S

[Owensbob204@gmail.com](mailto:Owensbob204@gmail.com)

21st December – 4.30pm – Carol Concert in the Church followed by refreshments in the Hall and the raffle for the Chocolate hamper.

### DIOCESAN EVENTS:

[www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk](http://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

**Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator** 0113 2618069 or

[safeguarding@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

Safe spaces 03003031056

**Hinsley Hall** is available for meetings, functions, receptions .... Tel: 0113 2618000 or email [conference@hinsley-hall.co.uk](mailto:conference@hinsley-hall.co.uk)

Volunteers are needed to support the governance of our Diocesan schools. Further information from Kieran Flood on

[education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

Bishop Marcus has requested that we pray together for vocations between the 1st Sunday of Advent and Pentecost Sunday.

***Our Lady of Unfailing Help! Pray that the Lord of the harvest will send labourers into His harvest and that He will grant an abundance of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life within the Diocese of Leeds, and throughout the world. Amen***

Notices for the Bulletin to be in by 1pm on Thursday to:

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