

ST. THERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -Year A

14th February 2026 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.

Saturday	14th February	6.30pm	St Theresa's	Reg & Betty Lownsbrough
Sunday	15th February	10.00am	St Bernard's	Gonzalez Family
Monday	16th February	11.00am	St Bernard's	Requiem Mass for Henry Piakowski
		1.00pm	St Theresa's	NO MASS – Prayers & Refreshments
Tuesday	17th February	10.00am	St Bernard's	Carmela & Francesco Aquilina
Wednesday	18th February	ASH WEDNESDAY		
		10.00am	St. Bernard's	6.30pm St Theresa's
Thursday	19th February	10.00am	St Bernard's	
Friday	20th February	10.00am	St Theresa's	
Saturday	21st February	10.00am	St Bernard's	

DATE:	WELCOMERS:	READERS:
14th February	I. Smith & I. Richardson	I. Richardson
21st February	K. Mundy & E. Brown	M. Brooksbank

RESPONSORIAL PSALM. *Blessed are those who walk in the law of the Lord.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Alleluia, Alleluia,*

I thank you Father, Lord of heaven and earth, you have revealed the secrets of the kingdom to little children. Alleluia

Confession: 6.15pm prior to the vigil Mass.

Offertory Collection: £138.00, Piety £11, Lourdes Fund £32.60, Candles £14.45 *Thank you*

Please keep in mind all those who need our prayers:

St Theresa's: John Kennedy & family, Emily Hewerdine, Maisie Savage, Ruth Richardson, The Hales Family, Lilian & family, Terry Hall, Sam Rose, Inge Parkinson, Fausto D'Italia, Jean & Barry Parker, 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: Peter Wilby RIP, Henry Piakowski, RIP

Those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Michael Moore, Fr. Sean Leonard

Requiem Monday
16th February at
11am. St Bernard's

PARISH EVENTS:

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



FATIMA MASS – Mondays in the Church Hall at 1.00pm. Prayers followed by light refreshments. All welcome.



ST. THERESA’S CRAFT GROUP – Church Hall, Tuesdays 1.15pm – 3.15pm
17th Feb – No Meeting
24th Feb, 3rd & 10th March – Patchwork
17th March – something Easter’ish

ST. THERESA’S STAY & PLAY:



St Theresa’s Stay and Play in the Church Hall every **Thursday** morning in term time from 9.15am to 11.15am.
0 -6 months – Free, 6+ months £2 +£1 for extra children Drink & Snack supplied

Cleaning Rota:

Week ending 27th February
Maureen Gill & Dot Hamer



Flower Rota:

Plants will be used in Church until Easter.



SAINT JOSEPH’S PRIMARY SCHOOL Address:
Portland Road, Halifax HX3 6LA TEL: 01422 360646
Website: www.stjosephs.calderdale.sch.uk
Email: admin@st-josephs.calderdale.sch.uk
Headteacher: Mrs M.Togher Top primary school in Halifax. Well done.



Pope Leo’s prayer for February: For children with incurable diseases.

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

15th March – Catholic Care

BABY BALLET –Saturdays in the Church hall. The hall will be in use between 8.15am – 10.30am

Yoga in the hall – Friday – 7.00 – 8.30pm £7 per class. Contact Tony on 07884376314 or tonymbyrne116@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for arranging flowers in Church - we need volunteers to arrange flowers for the altar, Our Lady’s Chapel and St Theresa. There are no flowers in Advent or Lent and there will be plants used until Easter. You do not need to be a skilled florist, just a willing volunteer.

Please contact Christine Rothwell if you can help with the flowers. 07713 635431

Well Being café 1.30 – 3.30pm on the 4th Friday of the month. Next meeting 27th February 2026. Contact Jo Greenwood 07787431176 or turn up on the day.

DIOCESAN EVENTS:

www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator 0113 2618069 or

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

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

There is currently a vacancy for a foundation Governor at All Saints in Huddersfield. The role involves attending meetings, offering strategic guidance and safeguarding the faith character of our education. Training is provided if you feel called to serve in this important role and would welcome a conversation please contact the Diocesan Vicariate for Education:

education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

NEW MENS GROUP- for those aged 21 – 35years. Monthly meetings at Hinsley Hall for prayer, Benediction, talks and social time + a free supper. First meeting - Thursday 26th February 6.30 – 8.30. Further information contact Benjamin.hilton@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

ST BERNARD'S

Owensbob204@gmail.com

Thomas Preidys will be confirmed at 10am Mass - 15th February.

23rd February – Parish Meeting at 7.15pm in the Hall

Amanda runs the Qigong & Tai Chi classes on Tues. & Thurs afternoons 1.15pm – 2.15pm. Contact 07869756047 if you wish to join. Other classes in the hall are Zumba, Pilates and Yoga.

DEANERY EVENTS :

www.halifax-deanery.org.uk

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

Brew and Chat- 2nd 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.

Deanery Marriage Course - St Mary's after the 11.00am Sunday Mass for one hour over three weekends. 26th April, 3rd May and 10th May.

Diary Dates:

18th February – Ash Wednesday

26th February- Parish Meeting 6.30pm

6th March 2026 - Women's World Day of Prayer

5th April Easter Sunday

REFLECTION - A PRAYER FOR INNER PEACE

Lord, I want to be quiet inside and hear your words for me.

I know that your voice can give true peace to my heart.

Give me the strength to quiet myself each day
that your voice may truly be the guide in my life.

Fill me with the courage to trust
and obey the messages you give me.

Let me feel through your words, your deep love for me
that I may know the real peace you have promised.

Thank you, Lord, for continually speaking words of love to me,
even when I block them out with noise.

Be patient with me as I slowly create quiet spaces in my life for
you. You are indeed good to me.

Amen

Gerard Coyne
gave me this
lovely prayer
which he thought
we could share
on the bulletin.

LENT is a 40 day solemn, penitential season in the Church that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends with the Easter Triduum. It serves as a period of reflection, spiritual preparation and renewal, mimicking Our Lord's forty day fast in the desert. The season focuses on three main pillars: prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Ash Wednesday – we receive a sign of the cross on our foreheads with ashes as a sign of repentance and mortality.

Fasting – we are asked to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday limiting ourselves to one full meal and two smaller meals.

Abstinence – At one time we abstained from eating meat on Fridays throughout the year but now we are asked to only abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays during Lent.

Prayer and Almsgiving- increased focus on reading scripture, attending Mass, prayer and charity through giving time, money or resources to help others.

Holy Week - is the final week of Lent, which culminates in the Easter Triduum, celebrating the passion, death and resurrection of Christ.

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

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