



# St Theresa of the Child Jesus – Queensbury

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent Year A 2022  
17<sup>th</sup> December Vigil Mass



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Saturday	17 <sup>th</sup> December	6.30pm	St Theresa's	Haley Louise & Alan McDermott annivs
Sunday	18 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00am	St Bernard's	Catherine Horne
Monday	19 <sup>th</sup> December	6.30pm	St Theresa's	Reception of Fr M. Nealon into Church
Tuesday	20 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00am	St Bernard's	Deceased of O'Brien family
Tuesday	20 <sup>th</sup> December	12noon	St Malachy's	Requiem Mass for Fr Michael Nealon
Thursday	22 <sup>nd</sup> December	10.00am	St Bernard's	Deceased of Houghton family
Friday	23 <sup>rd</sup> December	10.00am	St Theresa's	Monica Eddie Whiteley
Saturday	24 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00am	St Bernard's	Mary Warden
Saturday	24 <sup>th</sup> December	6.30pm	St Theresa's	<b>First Mass of Christmas</b>
		8.00pm	St Bernard's	Vigil Mass of Christmas
<b>Both Masses preceded by Carols</b>				
Sunday	25 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00am	St Bernard's	Mass of Christmas Day

## Responsorial Psalm:

*Let the Lord enter! He is the king of glory.*

## Gospel Acclamation:

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*The Virgin will conceive and give birth to a son and they will call him Emmanuel, a name which means 'God-is-with-us'. Alleluia!*

<b>Date:</b> 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Welcomers:</b> I. Smith & I. Richardson K. Mundy & E. Brown	<b>Readers:</b> K. Cooper H. Macintyre <i>Please check with the organist prior to Mass.</i>
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Confession: **Saturday**  
**6.15pm before Mass**

Offertory Collection  
**£123.00** *Thankyou*

*May I wish parishioners from both parishes a Happy and Joyful feast.*  
Fr Bob

**Please keep in mind all those who are in need in our prayers for whatever reason especially at St Theresa's** –The Hales family, Anne-Marie & Allan, Betty Mackrill , Cath & David Hodgson, Inge Parkinson, Sam Rose, Anne & Jack, Eastic & Hepworth families, Florence Stott, Stephanie Foster, Kath & Terry Hall, Rose Spence and many special intentions.

**St Bernard's** – Barbara McDonald, Jean Barraclough, and Francis Marshall

**Those who have died recently:** Fr. Michael Nealon RIP,

**Those whose anniversaries occur about this time:** Bernard Duckworth, Michael Sayers

### Christmas /New Year arrangements

17<sup>th</sup> December – confessions at St Mary's from 9 – 5pm

#### St Theresa's

#### St. Bernard's

24<sup>th</sup> December

Carols from 6pm

Carols from 7.30pm

6.30pm Nativity of the Lord

8.00pm Vigil Mass of Christmas

25<sup>th</sup> December

10.00am Christmas Day Mass

31<sup>st</sup> December 6.30pm Vigil Mass

1<sup>st</sup> January

10.00am New Year Mass

### PARISH EVENTS

*Week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> December*



No FATIMA MASS until the New Year.



There will be tea/ coffee and Mince pies in the Church Hall after Christmas Eve Mass. All are welcome.

#### ST THERESA'S CRAFT GROUP

There will be **no** Craft Group meeting until Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January.

Happy Christmas Crafters. Hope to see you in 2023. Best Wishes Cath



St Theresa's Stay and Play has finished for Christmas and will return on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Councillor Surgery AM in the Hall

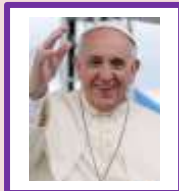
**We will be preparing Church for Christmas after Mass on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December – 10.30am ish. Please come and help as many hands make light work.**

**Cyclamen plants can now be brought in too. Either leave them in the porch or the hall will be open on Friday morning.**



### **UKRAINE EMERGENCY WINTER APPEAL**

*The Ukranian Catholic Church in Great Britain in conjunction with Caritas, are organising a special appeal as the people of Ukraine brace themselves for a very hard winter. They hope to raise £160,000 to fund 10,000 food parcels which would feed two people for a week. Donations can be made directly to the account name: Ukranian Catholic Church Central Fund account number 20927317 Sort Code 20-92-60 **OR** by cheque made payable to the "Ukranian Catholic Church" and posted to Bishop's House, 22 Binney Street, London, W1KSBQ. Please reference "WINTER APPEAL" to your gift.*



**The Pope's Prayer  
Intention for DECEMBER –  
Volunteer not- for-profit  
Organisations.**

We pray that volunteer non-profit organisations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

### **NEW YEAR'S DAY WALK and LUNCH**

Once again we are planning to offer a short walk on New Year's Day followed by a light lunch of mulled wine, homemade soup, fresh bread, mince pies etc etc.



If you wish to join the walk which starts at 11am from the Church you are more than welcome – you will need boots and a



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waterproof.

If you feel that a 1.5 hour easy/moderate walk is too much for you then you can just come along at 12.30pm to the hall for lunch. There is no charge for this. Just sign your name on the yellow sheet in the kitchen area of the hall downstairs. Don't spend New Year's Day on your own, come and join us at St Theresa's. You will get a warm welcome. KC

### **CHRISTMAS CARD WISHES**

There is a large Christmas card in the porch which you can sign and put a donation in the box for the Bradford Soup kitchen.

I will also attach a sheet or sheets of Christmas wishes to the Christmas bulletin. This enables the housebound to see and contribute to the Christmas greetings.

Keeping our Church family together.

**If you wish to be included then let me know as soon as possible. My number is at the end of the bulletin.**

(I will copy the wishes from the card to the bulletin sheet) Christine R





### The Fourth Sunday of Advent–

The Candle of Love

The Angel's Candle.

'Love one another as I have loved you.'

A **BIG THANKYOU** to our snow angel for clearing the front steps and the path to the hall.



### ST BERNARD'S PARISH

Coffee after 10am Mass on Sundays.

Confessions Saturday 9.45am

For social events please contact Joe Reid 01422 203063

18<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm Carol Service. Raffle of the chocolate hamper.

8<sup>th</sup> January – Senior citizens New Year Party in the hall after 10am Mass.



A very happy **90<sup>th</sup>** birthday to John Kennedy on the 21<sup>st</sup> December. We all hope that you have a great celebration.

Happy birthday to Chris Kenna who will be 88 on 21<sup>st</sup> December. Hope you have a lovely day.

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

**Diocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator** 0113 2618069/

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**Hinsley Hall** is available for meetings, functions, receptions ... Tel: 0113 26180000 or email [conference@hinsley-hall.co.uk](mailto:conference@hinsley-hall.co.uk)

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

**SVP** has a group at St Mary's – contact 07512011440

**Brew and Chat** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at St Columba's Church.

**Walk off the pounds** - every Thursday at 11am in St Columba's Church hall.

Notices for the bulletin to be in by 1pm on Thursday to

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