

## Parishes of St Columba and St Malachy Halifax

19<sup>th</sup> April 2020

### Second Sunday of Easter

Fr Michael continues to celebrate daily **Mass** during this time. Mass will be celebrated for the **following intentions** this week

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>People of the Parishes</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Maureen O'Sullivan</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Intentions of Marina Armstrong &amp; Family</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Alice Reid</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>November Dead List</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Raffaella &amp; Stefan Tkaczuk</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Pellegrino &amp; Angela Cerchione</i>

#### **Please pray for:**

**Lately Dead:** Bernie Holt, Kevin Megson (Senior) , Maureen O'Sullivan, Lina Zakrewski

**Anniversaries:** Pellegrino & Angela Cerchione, Raffaella Tkaczuk

The **readings for daily and Sunday Mass** can be found on: [www.universalis.com/mass](http://www.universalis.com/mass)

The **times and web address** of daily and Sunday Mass available on the internet are posted on the parish website.

**Fr Michael** is happy to assist parishioners in any practical way he can and can be contacted on: 01422 361682 and [michael.mcquinn@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:michael.mcquinn@dioceseofleeds.org.uk).

**Offertory Giving.** The loss of our weekly offertory collections during this period of lockdown presents a challenge to cashflow in our parishes. A number of our parishioners may also be affected by a loss of income which will be reflected in what they can afford to contribute to their parishes. Others may be able to put their weekly gift to one side during this period to bring along when we are able to celebrate Sunday Mass again. However, to assist with current cashflow parishioners can also set up Standing Orders or make occasional donations directly to our bank accounts. Alternatively, parishioners can use their mobile phones to text a £5 gift (or several texts for multiples of £5) to their parish.

The details are as follows:

1. **St. Columba's Halifax:** HSBC, Sort Code 40-27-15, Account Number: 21023233  
Or text **CHURCH COLUMBA** to 70500 to contribute £5
2. **St Malachy's Halifax.** HSBC. Sort Code 40-27-15. Account Number 91017438  
Or text **CHURCH MALACHY** to 70500 to contribute £5

**St Columba's Offertory Envelopes.** Please contact Fr Michael (details above) or Marina Armstrong (07768 875708) should you wish to have your new envelopes dropped off at home.

**Weekly Mass of Solidarity.** A national weekly Mass will be celebrated by one of the bishops of England and Wales and live-streamed from his Cathedral for NHS

front-line and care home workers, the sick and their families every **Thursday** at **7.00pm**. The first of these will be celebrated **this Thursday** in Westminster Cathedral by Cardinal Vincent Nichols. To access this Mass simply visit Westminster Cathedral's website.

### **Online Retreat from the National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham**

Mgr John Armitage, the Rector of the National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, will lead an Eight Day starting **this Sunday evening 19th April**. Further details can be found on the shine website. [www.walsingham.org.uk](http://www.walsingham.org.uk)

### **Thinking of working in Catholic Education?**

St John Fisher Catholic Secondary School in Dewsbury are currently recruiting for members of staff both teaching and non-teaching to join the staff team. Of particular interest are teachers of English, Maths, RE, Performing Arts (Dance, Drama and Music) and Geography, as well as an IT technician. Additionally, they have a post of head of English vacant from September.

If you, or someone you know is interested in teaching in our school please contact our Headteacher Designate, Miss Sarah Wilkinson on:

[s-wilkinson@stjohnfisher.org.uk](mailto:s-wilkinson@stjohnfisher.org.uk)

Additionally, our Trust, the Blessed Peter Snow Catholic Academy Trust is also interested in hearing from anyone who is interested in both teaching and non-teaching post in both Primary and Secondary Schools across the whole Kirklees and Calderdale area. Again, if you or someone you know is interested in working in our family of schools please contact our CEO Mr Richard Williams on [r-williams@bpstrust.org.uk](mailto:r-williams@bpstrust.org.uk) for a confidential discussion about vacancies across the Trust.

### **Catholic Care Community Response Service**

In response to the impact of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Catholic Care have launched a Community Response Service to support those in our Catholic communities who are sick, self-isolating, have been adversely financially impacted or are finding it difficult to cope.

The service will be available Monday – Friday, 8-6pm

A team of Catholic Care workers (we may expand later to incorporate volunteers) will be available to support parishioners and families in a number of ways:

- A telephone support service. This service will provide a listening ear and a friendly voice for those experiencing isolation in their community.
- A pick up and drop off groceries and pharmacy service.
- A dog walking service
- A hamper delivery service for those experiencing financial hardship.

Please contact us on 07739975001 or 7739975008 or 07739975009 or email [janet.kent@catholic-care.org.uk](mailto:janet.kent@catholic-care.org.uk) or [Jessica.price@catholic-care.org.uk](mailto:Jessica.price@catholic-care.org.uk) if you would like to access this service or you would like to refer a person in your Parish or school community.

**Weekly Updates.** Each weekend a weekly newssheet and a weekly reflection on the Sunday readings will be posted on the website throughout this period of self-isolation. Don't forget to take a look!

[www.stcolumbascatholicchurch.com](http://www.stcolumbascatholicchurch.com)