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PRAY FOR UKRAINE & THE HOLY LAND

THE PARISH OF ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS

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SUNDAY 30th MARCH 2025

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR C

Laetare Sunday

Psalm Response: *Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

Gospel Acclamation: *Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus. I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you'. Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus.*

Readings: Joshua 5:9a, 10-12, Psalm 34(33), 2 Corinthians 5:17-21,

Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

We welcome Fr Richard Carter and the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal who are covering the Masses this weekend while Fr. Keiron recovers from a medical procedure.

Latently Dead: Patricia Bragg, Seamus Doherty, David Crompton – **Anniversaries:** Herbert & Mary Coulter, Tommy Cawley, William Mahon, Frank Fallows.

There will be two Retiring Collections this weekend for 1) **Catholic Care**, who offers services and support to families experiencing difficulties, including pregnant women, people with mental health problems, those with learning difficulties, and children in residential care; 2) **Lepra**, who help with the research, diagnosis and treatment of leprosy in poverty-stricken countries. It costs Lepra £25 to change a life, so, please be as generous as you can.

The New Gift Aid envelopes have arrived just in time for the new Tax Year. Please pick up the envelope box with your name on. Any problems, please let Nick know via the Parish Office. Thanks.

Churches Together in Baildon: Lenten Lunch at St. Aidan's: Thank you very much to everyone who supported the Lenten Lunch at St. Aidan's recently. The wonderful sum of £140 was raised on the day for Mary's Meals.

Junior Choir Spring Concert: St Walburga's school choir will join the Bradford, Bingley and Keighley Youth Choirs for a spring concert on Wednesday 2nd April, 7pm at St Walburga's. Free entry, with a retiring collection.

Keep praying for Ukraine, the Holy land, and the populations of all war-torn countries.

Foodbank: Our next collection is on Wednesday 2nd April 12.00-1.00 in the church carpark.

CAFOD Family Fast Day: Please return your Lenten alms boxes over the Easter Weekend. Many thanks for your usual wonderful generosity.

Sycamore Lent Course: The next Sycamore session is Finding True Freedom - Is there such a thing as right and wrong? Where can we find moral guidance? How do you discover your true identity? Please join us in the St Walburgas parish centre Thursday 3rd April - 7pm. All welcome!

Parish Mini-Easter Fair- Sunday 6th April at St Aidan's after 11.00am Mass. Come and join us for Easter treats! Hot cross buns, a cake stall, raffle and more.

Lenten Reflections. 4 pm Sunday April 6th in St. Walburga's Church. Come & spend some quiet reflective time in preparation for Holy Week.

Easter Eggs for BRI Children's Wards: please bring donations of Easter Eggs to church over the next few weeks and by Palm Sunday, so they can be delivered to the BRI. Thank you.

Piety Stall: There are a selection of Easter Cards now available on Piety Stall at the back of both Churches - thank you for your continued support of your local piety stall. There are still some Missals to be picked up by Parishioners who have ordered the new Missal. Please can you put your remittance of £17.95 in the Piety payment box at the back of both churches when you come to collect your Missal - many thanks.

Churches Together in Baildon: Lenten Lunches: Please join us for food and fellowship over the Lenten period. Lunches start at 12.30pm. We look forward to welcoming you soon! St. John's Church: Thursday 3rd April

Churches Together in Shipley: Lent Soup and Reflection: Thursdays at 6.30pm - 3rd April: Saltaire Methodist Church - 10th April: St Paul's Church.

Knights of St Columba Inter-Parish Quiz - Monday, 7th April at 8.00 pm. Teams will ideally be limited to 5 although parishes may enter more than 1 team. To join in, simply e-mail kscquiz@virginmedia.com by Friday 4th April.

Vacancy: St Walburga's Catholic Primary School is looking for an enthusiastic and committed Lunchtime Supervisor. Part-time (5 hrs/wk -Mon-Fri- 12:00-13:00) - Fixed term (until Aug. 2025). £12.26/hour. If interested, call into the school office for an application pack or email laura.long@wal.bcwcatholic.co.uk. Closing Date: Tuesday 8th April.

Chrism Mass: The annual Chrism Mass will take place at Leeds Cathedral on Wednesday of Holy Week (16th April) at 11:00am. The sacred oils of Chrism, Catechumens and the Sick, used throughout the Diocese, will be blessed at the annual celebration. Our priests will also renew their priestly promises. All welcome to attend.

Churches Together in Baildon (CTB) – Good Friday: Walking The Stations Of The Cross: You are invited to gather outside St. Aidan's Church at 8.45am (for 9am) on Good Friday (18th April). We are going to walk gently up Baildon Road, and Browgate, arriving at the Methodist Church around 10.15am. We will be carrying a large wooden cross and praying the stations at various locations along the route, including outside all churches which form CTB. Refreshments and café worship at the Methodist Church from 10.15am. All are most welcome. For further details, please contact Kate on 07505 76 74 15.

Pastoral Worker for Older People Vacancy: The Parish of Mary, Mother of God, Bradford is recruiting a part time Pastoral Worker for Older People, for 10hrs per week. The role will play a vital role in supporting the spiritual and emotional well-being of older parishioners. More details [here](#). Closing date for applications is Friday, 4th April.

Meet The Pilgrims: All pilgrims joining the Diocesan Lourdes pilgrimage are welcome to attend a coffee and biscuits afternoon at Hinsley Hall. This is a great opportunity to meet the team and fellow pilgrims. Nurses and doctors will be available to answer any questions you may have. Sunday 27 April, 2-4pm, Hinsley Hall.

Refreshments after 9:15 Mass at St Walburga's & after 11:00 Mass at St Aidan's: every Sunday in the parish room and hall. Please come along for a drink, biscuits (sometimes cake!!) and a chat. Everyone welcome.

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Headteacher of St Walburga's School (01274 531102): Mrs E. Fearnley

Headteacher of St Anthony's School (01274 592738): Mr A. Wilkinson

<p><u>Sunday 30th March 2025</u> <u>Fourth Sunday of Lent - Year C</u> <u>Laetare Sunday</u></p>	<p>5:45pm Vigil Mass - St Walburga's 9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am – St Aidan's</p>	<p>Harry Mayne & Lucy Turner (<i>wedding day</i>) People of the Parish Holy Souls</p>
<p><u>Monday 31st</u></p>	<p>12:00pm – St Walburga's</p>	<p><i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion</i></p>
<p><u>Tuesday 1st April</u></p>	<p>10:00am – St. Walburga's</p>	<p><i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion</i></p>
<p><u>Wednesday 2nd</u> <i>St Francis of Paola, Hermit</i></p>	<p>10:00am – St Walburga's</p>	<p><i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion</i></p>
<p><u>Thursday 3rd</u></p>	<p>10:00am - St. Walburga's</p>	<p><i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion</i></p>
<p><u>Friday 4th</u> <i>St Isidore</i></p>	<p>10:00am - St. Walburga's</p>	<p><i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion</i></p>
<p><u>Saturday 5th</u> <i>St Vincent Ferrer, Priest</i></p>	<p>10:00am – St. Walburga's 5:45pm Vigil Mass – St. Walburga's</p>	<p><i>Service of the Word with Holy Communion</i> William Mahon (A.)</p>
<p><u>Sunday 6th April 2025</u> <u>Fifth Sunday of Lent - Year C</u></p>	<p>9:15am – St Walburga's 11:00am – St Aidan's</p>	<p>Frank Fallows (A.) People of the Parish</p>