# PARISH CHURCHES of OUR LADY OF LOURDES & St. WILLIAM and St MATTHEW

**Parish Priest: Reverend Father Michael Hughes Tel: 01274 542534**

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| **Sunday 3rd April 2022**  **Fifth Sunday of Lent** | | | |
| Saturday 2nd | 4.00pm  6.00pm | Eddie Neville  Helen Matthews | **St Matthews**  **St Williams** |
| Sunday 3rd | 9.30am  11.00am | People of The Parish  Terry Monaghan | **St Matthews**  **St Williams** |
| Monday 4th | 10.00am | Special Intention (MDL) | **St Matthews** |
| Tuesday 5th | 10.00am | Yorkshire Brethren | **St Williams** |
| Wednesday 6th | **NB** | **No Mass** |  |
| Thursday 7th | 10.00am | Holy Family Sisters | **St Matthews** |
| Friday 8th | 11.00am | Funeral Service Winston Etienne | **St Williams** |
| Saturday 9th | 4.00pm  6.00pm | Priests Private Intention  John and Elizabeth Buffham | **St Matthews**  **St Williams** |
| Sunday 10th | NB 9.15am  11.00am | Parish Dead List **St Matthews**    People of The Parish **St Williams** | |

**Please note during Lent Exposition Thursday 7pm St Williams & Stations of The Cross Friday 7pm St Matthews.**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILITION - This will be available Saturday 3.15pm to 3.45pm St Matthews**

**5.15pm to 5.45pm St Williams**

**Or by appointment with Fr Michael**

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| **Your prayers are asked for:-** |
| * All those who have died recently. Winston Etienne * All those whose anniversaries occur about this time. * All those who are sick. |
| **COLLECTIONS:** |
| Parish Offertory Collection previous weekend  £616.91  Catholic Care Collection £287.54 |
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| **Many thanks for your continued support and generosity** |

**Easter 2022**

**PALM SUNDAY ST MATTHEWS- PLEASE NOTE SUNDAY MORNING MASS WILL BE AT 9.15AM**

**Mass of the Last Supper 7.00pm St Williams**

**The Passion 3.00pm St Matthews**

**Stations of The Cross 7.00pm St Williams**

**Easter Vigil 8.00pm St Williams**

**Easter Sunday Masses as usual.**

**Easter Flower Collection**

**There will be a collection for the flowers for Easter at both churches today and also on the 10th April**

**Easter Coffee Morning**

**The Parish is having an Easter Raffle with a cake and bun sale in the hall at St Williams at the coffee morning held after the 11.00am Mass on the 10th April, donations will be gratefully received, these can be given to Sharon Bulmer, Zoe Ridewood, Elaine Schack, Elizabeth Grogan or Jean Kennedy .**

**Sacramental Programme for 2022.**

The dates and times for First Sacraments Lessons are as follows:

Reconciliation (School Year 3) 9.30am at St Williams on Saturdays: 9th April 2022. (Five sessions)

Holy Communion (School year 4) 10.30am at St Williams on Saturdays: 9th, 30th April and 7th May 2022. (Seven Sessions)

Confirmation (School year 6) 11.30am at St Williams on Saturday: 9th, 30th April 2022. (Six Sessions)

All sessions must be attended and we will be unable this year to accommodate late starters (if you have missed the beginning of the programme you will need to defer the receiving of the appropriate sacrament to next year.

The date for First Holy Communions is Sunday 22nd May 2022 and The Sacrament of Confirmation will be Thursday 26th May 2022 (Subject to the usual approval of the Bishop.)

**Readers at Mass and Eucharistic Ministers. We are fortunate that we have a number of people who are prepared and offered to fulfil these roles in the parish. We are thankful for their service. However, there are still places available for those who would consider volunteering. We are in particular need for some new readers at St Williams both at the 6pm and 11am.**

**Parish Piety Stalls**: both of our stalls at St Williams and St Matthews are now open for business. There is a wide range of cards, books and items of devotion for sale. We also have a wide range of gifts for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Easter Cards are now available.

**Charitable work of the Parish.** Failed Asylum Seekers who are not permitted to work do not receive any state finance and are totally dependent on charity, are supported by Abigail House. This enterprise houses the Asylum Seekers and provides a small weekly allowance.

On the first weekend of each month there is a food collection at the Saturday and Sunday Masses at St Matthews.

**200 Club**.  –

The winning numbers for the March draw are as follows:-

1st - £20.00  No. 3  Louisa

2nd - £10.00  No. 166  James Holmes

3rd - £5.00  No. 81  Nora Nunn

Christine Jackson will be at the following masses to collect subscriptions and enrol any new members:

St Matthews – 9th & 10th April; St Williams – 23rd & 24th April.  The April draw will take place on the 30th April.  Please note that annual subscriptions are due this month.

**MILL HILL MISSIONS:** It is now time to empty the red APF Boxes.  Would you please be kind enough to bring your box down to Church for emptying over the next few weeks and give to David or Sue Robinson.

Thank you for your continued support.

**Catholic Care.**

New Lunch Delivery Service every Thursday. A two course meal delivered straight to your door (Bradford Area only) for just £3.00 per person. Deliveries are made between 12.30pm and 1.30pm each week by our friendly delivery drivers. To book your lunch please contact Jean on 07960 983384 or Michelle on 07739 975000*.*

**DIOCESE OF LEEDS NOTICES**

**LEEDS CATHEDRAL DAY OF RECONCILIATION:** Tuesday 5th April, 7am to 7pm. There will be priests available to hear confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day

**CHRISM MASS** –this will take place at 11:00am on the Wednesday of Holy Week (13th April) at the Cathedral.

**CELEBRATION OF MARRIED LIFE 2022**

Celebration of Married Life: On Saturday 14th May, there will be a special Celebration Mass for Married Life at Leeds Cathedral at 12noon for couples and their families celebrating their 25th (Silver), 40th (Ruby), 50th (Golden), 60th (Diamond) and 70th (Platinum) wedding anniversaries this year and for those whose anniversaries occurred during the years of the pandemic. There will be an opportunity for couples, who wish to do so, to renew their marriage vows during the liturgy. If you are celebrating the anniversary of your wedding and you would like to take part in this celebration, please fill out the application form which is available at the back of church and send it to Miss Anne Cooke, Bishop’s House, 13 North Grange Road, Leeds, LS6 2BR or email it to bishop@dioceseofleeds.org.uk by Tuesday, 3rd May 2022.

**CHURCH HALL: Important notice: As many of you are aware there is a major problem with the floor of the Church Hall at St Williams. This means that the Coffee morning after Sunday Mass will continue until the contractors commence work on the hall. The Tuesday Lunch Club until further notice has relocated to St Johns Cooper Lane Mass is at 11.50am followed by lunch. The diocese are aware of the problem and we are looking to resolve this issue as soon as possible.**

PARISH WEBSITE. We now have a new website on stblaisebradford.org.uk so please visit it as it will become a source of information on parish news, contacts and events. If you have any suggestions as to how we may improve the site then please contact Fr Michael.

**Collection for Ukraine we have collection buckets located on Our Lady Altar and these will remain in place for cash donations throughout Lent. The collection will then be given to our local Ukrainian Centre to forward to the Ukrainian Embassy. Unfortunately we are not in a position to accept any other form of donations, the telephone number for the Bradford Ukrainian Club is 01274 573577 and they will be able to advise you further.**

**PARENTS - PLEASE DO NOT LET YOUR CHILDREN GO INTO THE SACRISTY OR CHURCH HALL UNACCOMPANIED DURING MASS**

**LADIES – PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR HANDBAGS UNATTENDED IN CHURCH!!**