THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY OF VICTORIES & ST. ANNE, KEIGHLEY

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HOLY MASS AT SAINT ANNE'S PARISH CHURCH

Date: May		Time	Mass Intentions	Feast
Sunday	3 rd	11.00am	Pro Populo	Fourth Sunday of Easter
Monday	4 th	9.30am	Anthony Finnerty	The English Martyrs
Tuesday	5 th	9.30am	Joyce Helen Moreton (B'day A)	Weekday of Easter
Wednesday	6 th	9.30am	Peter Cryer (A)	Weekday of Easter
Thursday	7 th	9.30am	November Dead List	St. John of Beverley
Friday	8 th	9.30am	Michael Waddington (LD)	Weekday of Easter
Saturday	9 th	9.30am	November Dead List	Weekday of Easter
Sunday	10 th	11.00am	Pro Populo	Fifth Sunday of Easter

MASS CELEBRATED EACH DAY WITHOUT A CONGREGATION

SAINT ANNE'S CHURCH IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE FOLLOWING THE ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRIME MINISTER ON MONDAY 23rd MARCH 2020.

Mass Intentions Received: Mary Ingram (LD); Osvaldas, Elena & Aurelijus Sietniekas; Anthony Finnerty

Live Streaming for Holy Mass

Leeds Cathedral: www.leedscathedrallive.org.uk

St. Mary's Halifax: www.stmaryshalifax.com

Fr. Michael offers Holy Mass each day when all the people of the parish are remembered at the altar of the Lord.

R.I.P. Irene Norah Bullas whose funeral service is on Tuesday 5th May at Skipton Crematorium; we offer our sympathy & prayers to her family and friends at this time.

A Message for the Fourth Sunday of Easter (John 10: 1-10)

In the Gospel this Sunday Jesus gives us warning about people who have no care for others except to take advantage of them and to exploit them for their own selfish purposes. He says anyone who gets into the sheepfold and does not use the gate is up to no good. The gate is the open entrance into the fold where sheep safely graze. The gate is the pathway of honest approach. If you approach people in a sly or sideways manner you are up to mischief and people will have every reason to mistrust you.

A true shepherd uses the gate. The sheep see the shepherd and know they are safe. The shepherd's voice is familiar and to be trusted and the sheep feel secure. Every good parent or guardian knows this. Children look to those who care for them. Vulnerable people look to their carers to feel secure and safe from harm. They stay close beside them to guide and encourage.

This teaching of Jesus in the Gospel is a very important message to all involved in pastoral care within the family of the Church as we pray especially on this Good Shepherd Sunday for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Every age has its evils and the exploitation of the innocents has raised its ugly features in our time, in the world and in the Church. This teaching which applies particularly to priests and pastors in the church equally applies to everyone who have roles of responsibility towards others in life.

Jesus, who is the great shepherd of our souls, is also the innocent lamb who was led to the slaughter. St. Peter, speaking about this, describes to us how the Lord in his suffering left us an example to follow. He never lied. He never retaliated to insults. He never threatened, even when he was being tortured. The Lamb of God went to his death teaching us to be wise and gentle with one another. The wounds of our crucified Saviour bring us healing and peace and through the gift of the Holy Spirit we can be renewed in our vocation to love and care for others.

THE LORD IS RISEN. HE IS RISEN INDEED. ALLELUIA!