



**Do join us for refreshments  
after Mass today**

# St Paul, King Cross, Halifax

**Sunday 2 March 2025**

**This week -**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 10am-12pm  
Monthly Coffee Morning in the Parish Room  
~ why not bring a friend along...

## **Ash Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March**

The Craft Group meets in the Parish Room  
10am-12pm *everyone welcome!*

12.30pm Said Mass with Imposition of Ashes  
6pm Said Mass with Imposition of Ashes  
(St Anne's has a 10.30am Mass with Imp. of Ashes)

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March –

10.30am Said Mass with Stations of the Cross  
*followed by refreshments*

The Candle by the Blessed Virgin Mary burns  
this week in loving memory of Pauline Shaw

## **Next Sunday – 9 March 2025**

Lent 1- 11.00am Parish Mass

*To help you prepare for our worship why not look up  
the readings we will use: Deuteronomy 26:4-10;  
Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13*

*Many thanks indeed to everyone who has  
responded to the Stewardship Letter issued last  
Sunday. Working together we will meet the  
challenges of providing ministry in our Parish, and  
improving the facilities in our Church building.*

Parish Mass & Service of Thanksgiving  
for the completion of the re-roofing project  
at St Paul's – **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**, 11am  
with the Bishop of Beverley

Our first concert of the Season – Sat. 5<sup>th</sup> April  
at 7pm ~ **Todd Wilson in Concert.** £10  
*The ever-popular, local guitarist and singer Todd  
Wilson will sing & play music from 8 decades.  
You may have heard him perform in the Piece Hall  
and other local venues. Last year we welcomed  
various new groups and choirs to perform at  
St Paul's so we continue to offer something new and  
hope we can attract new supporters too!*

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## **Welcome to our Parish Mass on the Sunday next before Lent**

A special welcome if you are visiting.  
If you require Gluten free altar bread - please have a  
word with one of the Welcomers at the door.

**Hymns: 234; 177; 310; 178; 436**

Reader: Keith Fairhurst & Graham Foster  
Intercessions: Tom Oakes

*There's a contactless payment facility at the back of  
Church if you are without cash for your offering.  
If you pay tax please make use of the Gift Aid envelopes  
– it helps us a great deal - Thank you!*

*During the week please pray for:*

The people Exmoor Street & Southowram

*Among our congregation:* Christine Endeacott,  
Steven Disher & Anthony, George Femi

Monday – That the cease-fire agreement between  
Gaza & Israel will be long lasting & peace in Ukraine

Tuesday – Our keeping of Lent

Wed. – the Shrine of our Lady of Walsingham, staff  
and all who make pilgrimage there this year

Thursday – Social workers & Carers

Friday – for all in any kind of need at this time

Saturday – for our Servers

*Those who are sick or in need:*

Adam Rose, Louise Stewart, Paul Ainsworth,  
Clifford Brown, Stuart Wade, Julian Haw,  
Michael Benn, Katie O'Halloran, Paul Fawcett,  
David Hudson, Laraine Cowgill, Bronwyn Crowther,  
Harrison Stones, Christine Palethorpe, Denise  
Keenan, Judy Wright, Theo Mayfield, Lynn Hudson,  
Michael Kenyon, Beryl Wilson, Philippa Jordan,  
Mary Haward, Philippa Wild, Pope Francis,  
Keith Sutcliffe, Fr Tony Delves

*Those in long term sickness:*

Sandra Wright, Paul Wright, Richard Dixon

*Recently departed:*

*Anniversaries:* Lavinia Roberts (2) Annie Horner,  
Fr. Raymond Harries, Geoffrey Hogg, Kevin Scott  
(3) Barbara Helliwell (5) Alexandria Brekin (7)  
Fr Hubert Making (8)

## SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** When Christ is revealed we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.

**OPENING PRAYER** Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**FIRST READING** (Exodus 34:29-35)

*A reading from the Book of Exodus*

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face, but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off until he came out, and when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining, and Moses would put the veil on his face again until he went in to speak with him.

*This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** (Ps 27)

**R: The Lord is my light and my help.**

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink? **R:**

O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer. Of you my heart has spoken:  
"Seek his face." **R:**

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek hide not your face. Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help. **R:**

I am sure I shall see  
the Lord's goodness in  
the land of the living.  
Hope in him,  
hold firm  
and take heart.  
Hope in the Lord! **R:**



**SECOND READING** (2 Cor 3: 12-4:2)  
*A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.*

Since we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

*This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

The glory of the Lord shall be revealed;  
the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**GOSPEL** (Luke 9:28-36)

*A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.*

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" - not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

*This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ*

