



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

St Paul, King Cross, Halifax

Sunday 28 July 2024

Wednesday 31st - 10am-12.00
St Paul's Craft Group meets in the Parish Room

Thursday 1 August
10.30am Said Mass Said Mass
followed by refreshments

Saturday 10th at 10.30am
The Walsingham Cell
meets for Mass & coffee at St Paul's

Next Sunday – 4 August - Trinity 10
11.00am Parish Mass
*To help you prepare for our worship why not look up
the readings we will use: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15
Ephesians 4:17, 20-24; John 6:24-35*

The Candle before the Blessed Sacrament burns this week in loving memory of Malcolm Robertshaw and the Candle by the Blessed Virgin Mary burns in loving memory of Elsie Fairbourn

Saturday 31st August, 7pm
Out of the Box Choir in Concert with songs &
words to entertain on a Summer's Evening -

**“How we used to live - Halifax & Calderdale
Memories 1920-1945:** We welcome David Glover
back for one of his fascinating illustrated talks
Friday 6th September, 7pm (£8.0)

Christian Stewardship:

Our Giving on Sundays is always about our response to God's love for us – not just about paying the bills - 'Count your blessings,' as they say!
To inform your giving, you may be interested to know that it costs around £1,050 each week to maintain our Parish ministry here in King Cross. *This revised figure does not allow for any repairs to the church fabric, or a building up of funds to cover any development of ministry, or work to our church facilities*

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Welcome to the Parish Mass today on Trinity 9 or the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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: 468; 300; 296; 294; 368

Readers: Joan Porter & Harry Atkison
Intercessions: Graham Foster

*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 of Craven Edge & Southowram
Among our congregation: Brenda Stones,
Sheila Tomlinson, Andreas Tsoutsouliis
Monday – the people of St Anne's who celebrated their Patronal Festival this weekend
Tues. – all running childrens' holiday activities
Wednesday – Peace in Ukraine & Middle East
Thursday – for the Shrine of our Lady of Walsingham: for staff and Pilgrims
Friday – the homeless
Saturday – our Sunday morning Welcomers

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, Matt Bower, Harrison Stones, Christine Palethorpe, Tim Forward, Denise Keenan, Jane Brown, Judy Wright, Jennifer Fairhurst, Theo Mayfield, Martin Hirst

Those in long term sickness:

Richard Dixon, Lesley Woodall, Barbara Wood

Recently departed:

Anniversaries: May Murray (29) Audrey Mason, Malcolm Robertshaw (30) Dorothy Oldfield, Brian Capstick (31) Frank Normanton (1/8) Adeline Littlefield (2) Frank Brunt (3)

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON God is in his holy place,
he himself gives might and strength to his people
(cf. Ps.67:6; 36)

THE COLLECT

Let us pray [for the faith to recognise God's presence in our world].

God our Father, open our eyes to see your hand at work in the splendour of creation, in the beauty of human life. Touched by your hand our world is holy. Help us to cherish the gifts that surround us, to share your blessings with our brothers and sisters, and to experience the joy of life in your presence. Though Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING (2 Kings 4:42-44)

A reading from the second Book of Kings

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 145)

**R: You open wide your hand, O Lord,
you grant our desires.**

All creatures shall thank you, o Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God. **R:**

The eyes of all creatures look to you
and you give them their food in due time.
You open wide your hand,
grant the desires of all who live. **R:**

The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
he is close to all who call him,
who call on him from their hearts. **R:**

SECOND READING (Eph. 3:14-21)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you

may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life:
you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL (John 6:1-15)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place, so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON and THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: O. bless the Lord, my soul, and never forget all his kindness. (Ps. 102:2)

