



Do join us for refreshments
after Mass today

St Paul, King Cross, Halifax

Sunday 22 October 2023

TODAY –

4.30pm Songs of Praise
for our Feast of Dedication

Thursday 26th - 10.30am Said Requiem
for Fr Francis Hewitt
(Parish Priest of St Paul's, 1973-1981)

Next Sunday – 29 Oct.

All Saints Sunday - **11.00am Parish Mass**

To help you prepare for our worship why not
look up the readings we will use:

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 John 3:1-3;
Matthew 5:1-12

Sunday 29th Oct. 5pm Come & Sing Evensong

All Souls Day – Thursday 2 November
10.30am Requiem at St Paul's
12.30pm Requiem at St Anne's

*Lists for names of those you would like
remembered at the service you intend to support
is available at the back of Church today*



The 7-day Candles by the
Blessed Sacrament and
by the Blessed Virgin Mary
burn this week in memory
of Thomas King

St Paul's Christmas Fayre
- Saturday 9th December

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Welcome to the Parish Mass as we
celebrate our Dedication Festival
on the 29th 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.

*Intention: In thanksgiving for the Resurrection &
for the worship, work & witness of our Parish*

Hymns: 205; 206; 484; 209; 208

Readers: Mark Chatburn & Graham Foster
Intercessions: Fr Nigel

*The 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:

For the people of Westfield Place & Southowram

Among our congregation:

Steven Mudd & Alex Kelly, Jackie Nobbs,

Monday – Peace in the troubled areas of the world
Tues. Give thanks for our Church community here.

Wednesday – all who find it difficult to believe.

Thurs. – Our MP & local Counsellors

Friday – Housebound members of our congregation

Saturday – our Servers

Those who are sick or in need:

Adam Rose, Louise Stewart, Paul Ainsworth,
Clifford Brown, Stuart Wade, Julian Haw,
Robert Bainbridge, Michael Benn, Katie O'Halloran,
Richard Burns, Paul Fawcett, David Hudson,
Petrina Turner, Laraine Cowgill, Bronwyn Crowther,
Robert Wallace, Philippa Wild, Harrison Stones.

Those in long term sickness:

Carl Jones, Petrina Turner, Sandra Wright

Recently departed: Fr Francis Hewitt

Anniversaries: Harry Foster (22) William Barrett,
Mary King, Kenneth Hitchen, Roger Foster (23)
Eddie Wallace (24) Selina Prince, Doris Parker,
John Pugh, Joe Walker (25) Winnie Harper,
Joyce Sheard (27)

DEDICATION FESTIVAL

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God and this is the gate of heaven
(*Genesis 28:1*)

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer: we praise you for the many blessings you have given to those who worship you here: and we pray that all who seek you in this place may find you, and, being filled with the Holy Spirit, may become a living temple acceptable to you, through 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 (Revelation 21:9-14)

A reading from the Revelation of St John the Divine
Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, "Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb." And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It has the glory of God and a radiance like a very rare jewel, like jasper, clear as crystal. It has a great, high wall with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates are inscribed the names that are the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites: on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city has twelve foundations, and on them are the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps.46)

**R: The waters of a river give joy,
give joy to God's city.**

God is for us a refuge and strength, a helper close at hand, in time of distress: so we shall not fear though the earth should rock, though the mountains fall into the depths of the sea. **R:**

The waters of a river give joy to God's city, the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within, it cannot be shaken; God will help it at the dawning of the day. **R:**

The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our stronghold. Come, consider the works of the Lord the redoubtable deeds he has done on the earth. **R:**

THE SECOND READING (1 Cor. 3:9-11, 16-17) *A reading from the first Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians*

We are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building. By the grace God gave me, I succeeded as an architect and laid the foundations, on which someone else is doing the building. Everyone doing the building must work carefully. For the foundation, nobody can lay any other than the one which has already been laid, that is Jesus Christ.

Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, we love the house of your habitation and the place where your glory abides.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL (John 2:13-22)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
Glory to you, O Lord.

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, with the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market place!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON and THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. (*1 Peter 2:5*)

