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Seventh Sunday of the Church's Year 22nd/23rd February 2025



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DAY	DATE	TIME	ST. COLUMBA'S	TIME	ST. MALACHY'S
Saturday	22 nd Feb			5.00 pm	Liz Gould
Sunday	23 rd Feb			9.00 am	Tom Lawler
		11.00 am	People of the Parishes		
				1.00 pm	Baptism of Willow Hunter
Tuesday	25 th Feb			10.00 am	Recovery Canon Kevin Firth
Wednesday	26 th Feb	12 noon	Birthday Intention Sheila Molloy		
Thursday	27 th Feb			10.00 am	Private Intention "Mum & Dad"
Friday	28 th Feb	12 noon	Sr Savio's Inentions		
	1	M	ASSES NEXT W	/EEK	
Saturday	1 st Mar			5.00 pm	People of the Parishes
Sunday	2 nd Mar			9.00 am	Winnie Hargreaves
		11.00 am	John Nolan		

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St Columba's - Next Saturday: 11.30 am - 12 noon. St Malachy's - Next Saturday: 4.00 pm - 4.45 pm.

We welcome Willow Hunter into the family of Christ and his Church on the occasion of his baptism today.

Today straight after 9.00 am Mass
St Malachy's Coffee Morning
Next Sunday, St Columba's Coffee
morning – straight after 11.00 am Mass.

Confirmation. Bishop Marcus will celebrate our Deanery Confirmation at St Malachy's on Tuesday 4th March at 7.00pm.

Welcome back Fr Michael we hope you had a fabulous holiday!

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Stephen Thornber, Rosaline Walsh, Peter McCarron, Emma Firth, Arthur Bykowicz, Damien Roe, Christine Gillett, Elisha Clarke. Bernard Lister,
Brian English,
Sheila Molloy,
Margaret McElroy,
Tommy O'Hara,
Liam McAllister,
Andrew Farmer,
Derek O'Hora,

Fawzia Mohammed, John Thorpe, Trish O'Rourke, Margaret Parkinson, Christina Mychalyshyn, Tom McNally, Jon Pateman, Lisa White,

Juliana Ijezie,
Terry Smith,
Deborah Halstead,
David Kaminski,
Penny Carlisle,
Melanie Crossland,
Audrey McDonald,
Letitia Dolan

LATELY DEAD:

Gladys Megson (St. Alban's Church, 12th March, 12 noon) Josephine Murphy (St Malachy's Church, 18th March, 12 noon) PILGRIMS &

ANNIVERSARIES: Tom Lawler John Nolan

LITTLE SISTERS FUNDRAISING EVENT:

This Friday 28 February 2025 at Irish Centre Tara Suite, 7.30pm. Tickets £25.00. Meal of soda bread, Irish stew and dessert, also Irish band dancing, sing-a-long, auction and raffle. Please come along and support the Little sisters and have a great night of entertainment. All proceeds to go towards rebuilding of Mount St Joseph's. Contact details Sr. Christina Email

funds.leeds@lsplondon.co.uk

Lent, the penitential season of the Church's Year begins on Ash Wednesday 5th March. The season is traditionally marked by enhanced Fasting, Prayer and Good Works and Ash Wednesday is a special day of Fasting and Abstinence. Mass, with the distribution of Ashes, will be celebrated at St Malachy's at 9.30am and at St Columba's at 12noon. During Lent we will celebrate the Stations of the Cross each week on Tuesday mornings after 10.00am Mass at St Malachy's and at 7.00pm on Friday evenings at St Columba's.

Lenten Groups. As in previous years the local Churches Together will organise Lenten study groups for five weeks during Lent as follows:

Churches Together in West Halifax: St John's Warley will host these groups on Tuesday evenings starting 11th March at 7pm

Churches Together in North Halifax: St Malachy's will host these groups on Wednesday evenings starting 12th March at 7pm

THE OVER 50's LUNCHEON CLUB Held by the Halifax & District Irish Society next to be held this Thursday, 27th February, at the Pellon Social Club from 12 noon. For further information contact Maurice Kidney on HX: 343483.

Tuesday 4th March,

Warley Ward Meeting, come and have your say in your neighbourhood. In St Columba's Hall open from 6.00 pm – meeting starts 6.30 pm. **All welcome**

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO

LOURDES. The Diocese of Leeds will travel on pilgrimage to Lourdes this year from the 4th – 10th of July. If you wish to make a booking, this can be done through Tangney Tours:

www.tangney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-leeds or call: 01732 886666

ST MALACHYS PARISH WALK, SUNDAY 2ND MARCH.

Meeting 12.30 pm at the car park across from the Maypole Inn, HX2 7RZ for a steady walk in the Warley/Wainstalls area. approx. 2.75 miles with one incline. Afterwards dining at The SpringHead, Mount Tabor, HX2 0UT. If you're dining please make your choice from their online menu and let Anne know asap on 07946791374

Walk off the pounds every Thursday 10.30 am - 11.30 am. All welcome!

"SMARTIE CHALLENGE"

Following the huge success in previous years we are launching our

"Smartie Challenge" during Lent 2025.

Tubes of smarties will be available after Sunday Mass to those wishing to participate. You may enjoy the smarties before filling up the tubes during Lent with the coins of your choice (5p, 10p, 20p or £1 coins). The tubes of coins should be returned to Church as soon as possible after Easter Saturday.

All monies raised will go towards our Church Restoration Programme. Thank you in advance!

NEW OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are now being prepared for the new financial year 2025-26. Could we please invite you to sign up to use the envelopes if you don't already use them.

Non-Tax Payers – it is more important than ever before that your offering is received via the offertory envelopes to ensure that any donations you make are given to the church of your choice. Alternatively, if preferred you can set up a Standing Order to make your weekly offering.

We would also really like to encourage **all tax-payers** to sign Gift Aid Declaration forms.

If you wish to do so please fill in your details on the form provided or see Fr. Michael or Marina for more information.

Thank you for your kind and continued support.