

ST. COLUMBA'S, HALIFAX



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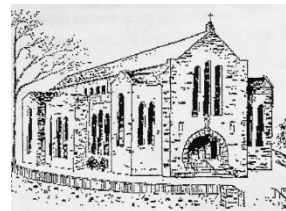
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**Eighth Sunday of the
Church's Year**
1st/2nd March 2025

OUR LADY OF LOURDES
&
ST. MALACHY, HALIFAX



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PUBLIC MASSES

DAY	DATE	TIME	ST. COLUMBA'S	TIME	ST. MALACHY'S
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		
Tuesday	4 th Mar			10.00 am	Mary George
				7.00 pm	Deanery Celebration of Confirmation Celebrated by Bishop Marcus
Wednesday	5 th Mar	ASH WEDNESDAY - Opening of Lent			
		Day/Season of Prayer, Fasting, Penance and Charity			
		Distribution of Ashes at both Masses		9.30 am	Josie Murphy
		12 noon	Brian Healey		
Thursday	6 th Mar			10.00 am	Pauline Durkin
Friday	7 th Mar	12 noon	Kathleen McQuinn		

MASSES NEXT WEEK

Saturday	8 th Mar			5.00 pm	People of the Parishes
Sunday	9 th Mar			9.00 am	Ken Lambert
		11.00 am	Maria Felice Ruggiero & Violet Haley		

Sacrament of Reconciliation.

St Columba's - First Saturday of the Month: 11.30 am - 12 noon.
St Malachy's - First and Third Saturdays of the Month: 4.00 pm - 4.45 pm.

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

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

This Tuesday, Daisy Chain Café
1.30 pm - 3.30 pm –
All Welcome.

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'Hara,

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

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

LATELY DEAD: Josephine Murphy Anne Pearce Bernard Lister Mary Keane
Peter O'Mara Eddie Ryan Michael Keoghan David O'Neill



ANNIVERSARIES: John Nolan Kathleen McQuinn

Lent, the penitential season of the Church's Year begins on Wednesday. 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.

Stations of the Cross.

Starting during the first full week of Lent there will be Stations of the Cross 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. The theme of this year's reflections is "And can it be: A meditation on a Hymn." The study groups will take place 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.

World Day of Prayer. To mark International World Women's Day there will be a special service (open to all) at **St. Jude's Church**, Free School Lane, Halifax, HX1 2XE this **Friday 7th March at 2pm.** All are welcome.

Today - straight after 11.00 am Mass -
St Columba's Coffee morning - All welcome!
The March 200 Club draw will also take place.
Prizes this month are £250; £150 and £100

Monday 10th March, Brew & A Chat St. Patricks Event - Irish Stew Lunch and entertainment included. Join us from 10.30 am to 1.30 pm in St Columba's Church Hall. Don't forget to wear something green. All welcome!

Halifax Minster Festival of Faith. As part of a larger festival of faith The Anglican Bishop of Huddersfield (Bhp Smitha Prasad) will be holding conversations with a number of leading figures on a number of serious topics. The first takes place on Monday 10th March at 6pm with Dr Edward Kessler MBE focusing on Interfaith Relationships. All are welcome. On Sunday 6th April the conversation will be with Kim Leadbetter MP on the subject of assisted dying/suicide.

This 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. Warley Ward includes Highroad Well, Warley town, Norton Tower, Pellon, Moor End Road and Mount Tabor. **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.