

## Do join us for refreshments after Mass today

## During the week:

Monday – Crafty Souls Craft Group meet 1pm-3pm in the Hall

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan. 10.30am Said Mass followed by refreshments

The Candle by our Lady of Walsingham burns this week in loving memory of Paul Dixon

#### Next Sunday - 26 Jan. 2025

Conversion of St Paul - 9.30am Parish Mass

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

Jeremiah 1:4-10. Acts 9:1-22; Mark 16:15-18

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> - 5pm Choral Evensong & Benediction at St Paul's as they celebrate their Patronal Festival

We may be over half way through January, but it's always a good opportunity to take a moment to look back over the previous twelve months and seek to discern, and give thanks for, God's loving presence and purpose in our lives. Timothy Dudley-Smith's lovely hymn puts it so well:

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided, urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way, sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided, Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us, speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze, teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us: Lord of the word, receive Your people's praise.

Lord, for our land in this our generation, spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care: for young and old, for commonwealth and nation, Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world when we disown and doubt him, loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain, hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him: Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord for ourselves; in living power remake usself on the cross and Christ upon the throne, past put behind us, for the future take us: Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

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## St Anne in the Grove, Southowram

## Sunday 19 January 2025

# Welcome to the Parish Mass today on this 2<sup>nd</sup> 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: 99 (omit \*); 97; 768; 451; 475

Readers: Andrea & Michael Hampshire Intercessions: Val Doodson

The Eucharist follows the Order on the coloured sheet and the Service runs Largely unannounced.

Please stay for refreshments afterwards

#### During the week please pray for:

For the people of Towngate, Townley Avenue and the people of King Cross

Monday – That the cease fire agreement between
Gaza & Israel will be long lasting
Tuesday – Local Schools – pupils & staff
Wednesday – Bishop Stephen & Bishop Smitha
Thursday– all who will be baptised or married in our
Churches this year – the candidates & their families
Friday – All who are unwell or in need today
Saturday – our organists and choir

#### Those who are sick or in need:

David Harrison, Frances Norcliffe, Deborah Golding, John Greenwood, Pauline Ackroyd, Graham Firth, Tom Hogan, Bernadette Lister-Pollard, Hayley Hanson, Stanley Sunderland, Paula Mead, Theo Mayfield, Mary Haward

#### Recently Departed:

#### Anniversaries:

Paul Dixon, Mary Perfect, Richard Worsnop

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun in Ordinary Time/Epiphany 2

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sin tot you, shall sing to your name, O Most High

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

Almighty God, in Christ, you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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 (Isaiah 62: 1-5) A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour. I give Egypt as your ransom. Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your o ffspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth - everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

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

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 96)

#### R: Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples,

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth. O sing to the Lord, bless his name. R:

Proclaim his help day by day, tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the people. R:

Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power, give the Lord the glory of his name. R:

Worship the Lord in his temple, O earth, tremble before him, Proclaim to the nations: 'God is King.' R: SECOND READING (1 Cor. 12: 4-11)

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit, and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

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 2:1-11) A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When-they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." Jesus said, "Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews: each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water," and they filled them to the brim. "Draw some out now" he told them "and take it to the steward." They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from - only the servants who had drawn the water knew the steward called the bridegroom and said, "People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink; but you have kept the best wine till now."

This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

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

COMMUNION ANTOPHON & THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK - Worthy is the Lamb to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing. (Revelation 5:12)