



St. Bartholomew's Church, Armley

8th. February, 2026

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Parish Mass

10:00am

Celebrant: Fr. Ian Cook

Hymns: 205 374 427 305 433 (omit vv. 4 & 5)

We pray for the Sick and the Suffering: Craig Craggs

Recently departed:

Year's Mind: Harry Sheard 1985 Hilda Pilkington 1981 Mary Smith 2003 Alison Firth 2010
Cere Anderson 2001 Mary Sykes 1992 Julian Cummins, Priest 2007 Jim Almond 2014
Doreen Richardson 2008 Dorothy Hargreaves 2011 Alf Dawson 2014 Mary Baker 2014
Elizabeth Collins 1980 Christine Taylor 2009 Molly Webster 2009 Peter Armitage 2014
Nicole Stevenson 2014 Revd. John Catley 2020 Violet Harris 2014 Colin Godfrey 2024
Frank Richardson 2012

Sunday, 8th. February: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Parish Mass 10:00am

**Thursday, 12th. February: Said Mass at 10.00am in the Centenary Chapel, followed
by tea, coffee and chat in church from 10.30am.**

Sunday, 15th. February: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Parish Mass 10:00am

**Wednesday, 18th. February: Ash Wednesday Mass with Imposition of Ashes
10:00am in the Centenary Chapel.**

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW, WE ALL SAY:

O Lord, as our church continues to persevere, threatened with the ever-present possibility of closure, we pray for the preservation of our building and our congregation. Help us to find the right words to express our love for this magnificent place of worship and to proclaim our care for all our parishioners. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, who died to save us all.

Amen

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Local lottery winner 31st. January - Eileen

ENTRANCE ANTIphon

*O come, let us worship God
and bow low before the God who made us,
for he is the Lord our God.*

COLLECT

Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, they may be defended always by your protection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

FIRST READING Isaiah 58:6-10

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord:

Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of wickedness,
to undo the straps of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover him,
and not to hide yourself from your own flesh?
Then shall your light break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up speedily;
your righteousness shall go before you;
the glory of the Lord shall be your rearguard.
Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;
you shall cry, and he will say, 'Here I am.'
If you take away the yoke from your midst,
the pointing of the finger, and speaking wickedness,
if you pour yourself out for the hungry
and satisfy the desire of the afflicted,
then shall your light rise in the darkness
and your gloom be as the noonday.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 112(111):4-5. 6-7. 8a. 9. R. 4a

R: *A light rises in the darkness for the upright.*

Or *Alleluia.*

1. A light rises in the darkness for the upright;
he is generous, merciful, and righteous.
It goes well for the man who deals generously and lends,
who conducts his affairs with justice. **R.**
2. He will never be moved;
for ever shall the upright be remembered.
He has no fear of evil news;
with a firm heart, he trusts in the Lord. **R.**
3. With a steadfast heart he will not fear.
Open-handed, he gives to the poor;
his justice stands firm for ever.
His might shall be exalted in glory. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

A reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians. I, when I came to you, brothers and sisters, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL John 8:12

R: *Alleluia, Alleluia.*

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will have the light of life.

R: *Alleluia.*

GOSPEL Matthew 5:13-16

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

At that time Jesus said to his disciples, 'You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet. 'You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O Lord our God,
who once established these created things
to sustain us in our frailty,
grant, we pray,
that they may become for us now
the Sacrament of eternal life.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIphon

*Let them thank the Lord for his mercy,
his wonders for the children of men
for he satisfies the thirsty soul,
and the hungry he fills with good things.*

Or

*Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be consoled.
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for
righteousness,
for they shall have their fill.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, who have willed that we be partakers in the one Bread and the one Chalice, grant us, we pray, so to live that, made one in Christ, we may joyfully bear fruit for the salvation of the world. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.