

## RETIREMENT OF OUR DIOCESAN BISHOP



Our Diocesan Bishop—

**Bishop Nicholas Baines (Bishop Nick)**

- who has led our Diocese for the past 11 years, retires in November.

The timetable for his final months is as follows:

- End of August 2025

***Bishop Nick steps back from actively leading the diocese.***

- September to November 2025

***Farewell events in all three cathedrals.***

- End of November 2025

***Bishop Nick retires.***

### **A Prayer for the Future**

Almighty God

you give us bishops to be shepherds of Christ's flock and guardians of the faith; to celebrate the sacraments, proclaim the Gospel, and lead your people in mission.

Send your Holy Spirit upon this Diocese of Leeds to guide us in this season of loving, living and learning. By your grace, may your choice for our new bishop be discerned, that we may receive them with joy; walk with them in faith; and serve with them in hope. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### **WHO'S WHO...?**

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### **Giving Week by Week to the Ministry of St Oswald's:**



Our Offertory Plate is passed around during our Services for

those who would like to contribute in this way. Others give regularly via Direct Debit. If you would like to know more about giving in this way, please ask. **We continue to encourage people please to use the Parish Giving Scheme system as a way of supporting us financially, enabling us to sustain and develop our Christian mission, and enabling the processes to run smoothly and efficiently. This really is something which can make a big difference to our systems and to those who give freely of their time to administer them. Please speak to us about it or take a leaflet from the pews. THANK YOU!**



**St Oswald's Church  
Parish of Collingham  
with Harewood**

### **THIS WEEK'S SERVICES @ ST OSWALD'S**

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August : Trinity 11**

**8.30am Eucharist (*said*)**

**10.00am All-Age Celtic Eucharist**

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept. 9.30am - Eucharist (*said*)**

**10.30am - Interment of Ashes**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September 10am-11.30am**

**Methodist Church Hall**

***'Teddy Praise' for our 'little ones' (pre-school) and those who care for them. Play, drinks, story, activity, song & prayer.***

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September 10am-2pm**

***The first Working Party***

***to tidy up the Churchyard.***

***Please come for as long as you can.***

***Bring tools and a packed lunch***

***we will provide hot drinks***

***and biscuits. Any queries contact :-***

***Helen Barrett - 07964282723***



**Next Sunday - 7<sup>th</sup> September**

**8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)**

**10.00am Eucharist (*sung*)**

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### **TODAYS COLLECTS & READINGS**

**Collect:-**

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

### **TODAY'S HYMNS / SONGS**



**759 This is the day...**

**432 Let us build a house.... (vs 1,2 & 4)**

**432 Let us build a house... (vs 1,3 & 5)**

**479 Lord the Light of your Love... (vs 1 & 3)**

### **Reading: Hebrews 13. 1-8, 15-16**

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honour

by all... Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' So we can say with confidence,

'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?'

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **GOSPEL: Luke 14. 1, 16-24**

The Lord be with you **All: and also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke **All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. Then Jesus said to him, 'Someone gave a great dinner and invited many. At the time for the dinner he sent his slave to say to those who had been invited, "Come; for everything is ready now." But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, "I have bought a piece of land, and I must go out and see it; please accept my apologies." Another said, "I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to try them out; please accept my apologies." Another said, "I have just been married, and therefore I cannot come." So the slave returned and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and said to his slave, "Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame." And the slave said, "Sir, what you ordered has been done, and there is still room." Then the master said to the slave, "Go out into the roads and lanes, and compel people to come in, so that my house may be filled. For I tell you, none of those who were invited will taste my dinner."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ**

**Post-Communion Prayer:-** Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September - 7.45pm**

**Wetherby Light Music Singers**

*Tickets from*

*John Newby, Doug Masterton,*

*Tim Wood*

**Invite your Friends**

**& Get Your Tickets!**



**Other Events / Fundraisers**

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October**

**Bridge & Afternoon Tea**

*Speak to Helen Barrett*



**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - Celtic Carols**

*Yorkshire-based folk musician, Olivia Graham, brings her Celtic Music & Stories to St Oswald's*

### **CLEANER (self-employed)**

An opportunity has arisen for a few hours paid work each month, keeping St Oswald's Church clean and smart, on a weekly basis. *Further info from the Vicar / PCC Secretary, Jan Robinson*



**Could You Help our**

**Merry Band of Cleaning Volunteers in the Interim? Please Speak to Jan Robinson**

### **PRAYER POINTERS**

**After these past summer weeks we pray for:-**



- Children, teaching and non teaching staff returning to our local church schools...
- 'Little Ones' starting school for the first time...
- 2025 Leavers now starting High School...
- Young people who have received examination results and are embarking on the next phase of education, work or adventure..!
- Children and young people who are struggling for whatever reason and those who are vulnerable...
- Parents and families returning to a renewed routine...
- All who use our local FoodBanks, and all seeking work...
- Peace in the world...