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April 2025

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Arun Arora - Bishop of Kirkstall

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**Diocesan Office**

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Andy Bowerman - Bradford

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**Tuesday 1st April**

*Frederick Denison Maurice, Priest, Teacher of the Faith, 1872*

**Fountains (Ripon Episcopal Area)**

**Aldfield St Lawrence, Dallowgill Church of the Resurrection, Grewelthorpe St James, Kirkby Malzeard St Andrew, Mickley St John the Evangelist, Sawley St Michael and All Angels, Studley Roger Village Hall, Winksley St Cuthbert and St Oswald**

**Fountains Primary School, Grewelthorpe C of E VC Primary School, Kirkby Malzeard C of E VC Primary School**

Revd Ian Kitchen (Incumbent), Revd Andrew Cromarty (Associate Priest), Liz Jarvis (Reader), Adrian Roberts (Reader)

Chris Parkhouse (Headteacher), Sarah Taylor (Executive Headteacher)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Masasi – The Anglican Church of Tanzania*

**Wednesday 2nd April**

**Frizinghall (Bradford)**

**Frizinghall St Margaret**

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Maseno East – The Anglican Church of Kenya*

**Thursday 3rd April**

**Garforth (Leeds)**

**Garforth St Mary**

Revd Jane Brown (Incumbent), Geoff Hale (Reader), Adrienne Doney (Reader), Hazel Booth (Reader), Carole Ross (Reader)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Maseno North – The Anglican Church of Kenya*

**Friday 4th April**

**Gipton and Oakwood (Leeds)**

**Gipton The Epiphany, Oakwood Church**

**Roundhay St John’s C of E Primary School**

Revd Gemma Fleury (Priest in Charge), Jan Ali (Reader), Paul Spencer (Reader)

Andrew Graham (Headteacher)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Maseno South – The Anglican Church of Kenya*

**Saturday 5th April**

**Girlington, Heaton and Manningham (Bradford)**

**Girlington St Philip, Heaton St Barnabas, Heaton St Martin, Manningham St Paul**

**Heaton St Barnabas C of E Primary School, St Philip’s C of E Primary School (Girlington)**

Revd Chris Chorlton (Incumbent), Revd Ben Care (Associate Priest), Alastair Bavington (Reader), Angela Chorlton (Reader)

Diane Smith (Headteacher), Michelle Hargreaves (Headteacher)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Maseno West – The Anglican Church of Kenya*

**Sunday 6th April**

Lord, we pray for peace across the world. Be in all those places where there is violence, and with all those seeking to end it. Grant them wisdom, and bring justice and peace into those situations.

*Anglican Communion: Iglesia Anglicana de Chile*

**Monday 7th April**

**Golcar and Longwood (Huddersfield)**

**Golcar St John the Evangelist, Longwood St Mark the Evangelist**

**Golcar St Johns C of E VA Junior and Infant School**

Revd Simon Crook (Incumbent)

Jennifer Grindley (Headteacher)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Masindi-Kitara – The Church of the Province of Uganda*

**Tuesday 8th April**

**Gomersal (Huddersfield)**

**Gomersal St Mary**

**Gomersal St Mary’s (VC) Primary School**

Revd Emily Tidball (Priest in Charge), Linda Mumford (Reader)

Jane Barker (Headteacher)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Massachusetts – The Episcopal Church*

**Wednesday 9th April**

*Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Lutheran Pastor, Martyr, 1945*

**Great and Little Ouseburn with Marton cum Grafton and Whixley with Green Hammerton (Ripon)**

**Great Ouseburn St Mary the Virgin, Green Hammerton St Thomas, Little Ouseburn Holy Trinity, Marton cum Grafton Christ Church, Whixley the Assension**

**Green Hammerton C of E VC Primary School, Marton cum Grafton C of E (VA) Primary School and Nursery**

Revd Sarah Feaster (Incumbent), George Rowden (Reader)

Davinia Pearson (Headteacher), Marie-Louise Thirlaway (Headteacher)

*Anglican Communion:* *The Diocese of Western Massachusetts – The Episcopal Church*

**Thursday 10th April**

*William Law, Priest, Spiritual Writer, 1761, William of Ockham, Friar, Philosopher, Teacher of the Faith, 1347*

**Great Horton and Lidget Green (Bradford)**

**Bradford St Wilfrid, Great Horton St John the Evangelist**

**Bradford St Oswald’s CE Primary Academy**

Revd Canon John Bavington (Incumbent), Revd Ludia Shukai (Assistant Curate), Revd Millie Cork (Assistant Curate), Revd Adam Dickson (Associate Priest), Canon Gabrielle Young (Reader), Jan Nicholson (Reader), Simon Dennis (Reader)

Gillian Wilson (Headteacher)

*Anglican Communion:* *The Diocese of Masvingo – The Church of the Province of Central Africa*

**Friday 11th April**

*George Augustus Selwyn, first Bishop of New Zealand, 1878*

**Greengates and Thorpe Edge (Bradford)**

**Greengates St John the Evangelist, Thorpe Edge St John the Divine**

Revd Steve Nuttall (Associate Priest), Revd Laya Watters (Assistant Curate), Revd Leah Leighton (Assistant Curate), Revd Heather Haddow (Associate Priest), Susan Burrows (Reader)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Matabeleland – The Church of the Province of Central Africa*

**Saturday 12th April**

**Greetland and West Vale (Huddersfield)**

**Greetland St Thomas**

Revd Amanda Ogilvie (Associate Priest)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Matana – The Anglican Church of Burundi*

**Sunday 13th April**

True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory.

*Anglican Communion: The Church of England*

**Monday 14th April**

**Guiseley with Esholt (Leeds)**

**Esholt St Paul, Guiseley St Oswald**

**Guiseley St Oswald’s C of E (VA) Primary School, Hawksworth Primary School**

Revd David Pickett (Incumbent), Revd John Richardson (Associate Priest), Despina Hadjioannou (Reader), Colin Avison (Reader)

Jonny Davies (Headteacher), Dale Norris (Headteacher)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Matlosane – The Anglican Church of Southern Africa*

**Tuesday 15th April**

**Halifax All Saints (Huddersfield)**

**Halifax All Saints**

**Halifax All Saints Junior and Infant School**

Revd Jen Middleton (Priest in Charge), Ian Byfield (Reader), John Bouckley (Reader)

Lauren Watson (Headteacher)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Mauritius – The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean*

**Wednesday 16th April**

*Isabella Gilmore, Deaconess, 1923*

**Halifax Holy Trinity and St Jude (Huddersfield)**

**Halifax St Jude**

**Holy Trinity Primary School, A Church of England Academy (Halifax)**

Revd Stuart Stobart (Priest in Charge), Revd Sarah Louise Long (Assistant Curate), Revd Martin Parrott (Associate Priest)

Sarah Huby (Headteacher)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Mbaise – The Church of Nigeria*

**Thursday 17th April**

**Halifax St Augustine and Mount Pellon (Huddersfield)**

**Halifax St Augustine, Mount Pellon Christ Church**

**Christ Church Pellon CE (VC) Primary School, St Augustine’s C of E VA Junior and Infant School Halifax**

Revd Sarah Louise Long (Assistant Curate), Shelagh Hirst (Reader)

Joanna Bastian (Headteacher), Ruth Lee (Headteacher)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Mbale – The Church of the Province of Uganda*

**Friday 18th April**

**Halifax with Siddal (Huddersfield)**

**Halifax St John the Baptist (Minster), Siddal St Mark**

Revd Canon Hilary Barber (Incumbent), Revd Sam Crook (Assistant Curate), Trish Boyd (Reader)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of North Mbale – The Church of the Province of Uganda*

**Saturday 19th April**

*Alphege, Archbishop of Canterbury, Martyr, 1012*

**Hallikeld (Ripon)**

**Burneston St Lambert, Kirklington St Michael, Pickhill All Saints, Wath St Mary**

**Burneston C of E VA Primary School, Pickhill C of E VC Primary School**

Revd James Gwyn-Thomas (Incumbent), Peter Snowdon (Reader)

Suzy Smart (Acting Headteacher), Nikki Raynor (Headteacher)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Mbamili – The Church of Nigeria*

**Sunday 20th April**

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

*Anglican Communion: Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui*

**Monday 21st April**

*Anselm, Abbot of Le Bec, Archbishop of Canterbury, Teacher of the Faith, 1109*

**Halton (Leeds)**

**Halton St Wilfrid**

Revd Caitlin Carmichael-Davis (Priest in Charge), Tricia Dickenson (Reader), Carol Stenner (Reader)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Mbeere – The Anglican Church of Kenya*

**Tuesday 22nd April**

**Hampsthwaite and Killinghall and Birstwith (Ripon)**

**Birstwith St James, Felliscliffe Chapel, Hampsthwaite St Thomas a Becket, Killinghall St Thomas the Apostle**

**Birstwith CE Primary School, Hampsthwaite C of E VC Primary School, Killinghall C of E VC Primary School**

Rebecca Lyman (Headteacher), Victoria Kirkman (Headteacher), Amy Ross (Headteacher), Ella Basharati

*Anglican Communion:* *The Diocese of Mbhashe – The Anglican Church of Southern Africa*

**Wednesday 23rd April**

*George, Martyr, Patron of England, c.304*

**Harden and Wilsden, Cullingworth and Denholme (Bradford)**

**Cullingworth St John the Evangelist, Denholme Shared Church, Harden St Saviour, Wilsden St Matthew**

Revd Canon Richard Burge (Team Rector), Revd Alison Young (Team Vicar), Revd Anna Lumb (Assistant Curate), Revd Liz Moy (Associate Priest), Chris Wilcock (Reader)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Meath and Kildare – The Church of Ireland*

**Thursday 24th April**

*Mellitus, Bishop of London, first Bishop at St Paul’s, 624, The Seven Martyrs of the Melanesian Brotherhood, Solomon Islands, 2003*

**Harrogate St Mark (Ripon)**

**Harrogate St Mark**

Revd Mike Resch (Incumbent), Revd Esli Lees (Assistant Curate), Revd Dr James Handley (Associate Priest), Revd John Duff (Associate Priest), Revd Elizabeth Resch (Associate Priest), Revd Simon Walters (Associate Minister), Ruth Cundy (Reader)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Medak – The Church of South India (United)*

**Friday 25th April**

*Mark the Evangelist*

**Harrogate St Wilfrid (Ripon)**

**Harrogate St Wilfrid**

Revd Gary Waddington (Team Rector), Fr David Povall (Associate Priest)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Central Melanesia – The Anglican Church of Melanesia*

**Saturday 26th April**

**Hartshead, Hightown, Roberttown and Scholes (Huddersfield)**

**Hartshead St Peter, Roberttown All Saints, Scholes St Philip and St James**

**Roberttown CE (VC) Junior and Infant School**

Revd Dr Sally Wallace-Jones (Incumbent)

Lauren Horsfall (Headteacher)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Melbourne – The Anglican Church of Australia*

**Sunday 27th April**

*Christina Rossetti, Poet, 1894*

Give thanks for our Retired Clergy and those with Permission to Officiate, for the invaluable support they give to parishes across the Diocese of Leeds.

*Anglican Communion: The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean*

**Monday 28th April**

*Peter Chanel, Missionary in the South Pacific, Martyr, 1841*

**Haworth and Cross Roads cum Lees (Bradford)**

**Cross Roads St James, Haworth St Michael and All Angels, Stanbury St Gabriel**

Revd Oli Preston (Priest in Charge), Revd Malcolm Young (Associate Priest), Rosanne Anderson (Reader), Peter Handley (Reader)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Meridional – Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil*

**Tuesday 29th April**

*Catherine of Siena, Teacher of the Faith, 1380*

**Headingley and All Hallows (Leeds)**

**Far Headingley St Chad, Headingley St Michael, Leeds All Hallows**

**Shire Oak C of E VC Primary School, St Chad’s C of E VC Primary School Headingley**

Revd Hannah Lievesley (Team Rector), Revd Heston Groenewald (Team Vicar), Revd Joshua Peckett (Assistant Curate), Jan Kramer (Reader), Katharine Salmon (Reader)

Jane Devane (Headteacher), Gina Marsland (Headteacher)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Meru – The Anglican Church of Kenya*

**Wednesday 30th April**

*Pandita Mary Ramabai, Translator of the Scriptures, 1922*

**Hebden Bridge and Heptonstall (Huddersfield)**

**Hebden Bridge St James, Heptonstall St Thomas a Becket and St Thomas the Apostle**

**Hebden Royd C of E VA Primary School**

Revd Ruthi Gibbons (Priest in Charge), Shan Evans (Reader)

Rob Paton (Headteacher)

*Anglican Communion: The Diocese of México – La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico*

**DIOCESAN OVERSEAS LINKS**

**SRI LANKA (The Church of Ceylon)**

Diocese of Colombo Bishop Dushantha Rodrigo

Diocese of Kurunegala Bishop Nishantha Fernando

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (The Episcopal Church)**

Diocese of Southwestern Virginia Bishop Mark Bourlakas

**PAKISTAN (The Church of Pakistan)**

Diocese of Faisalabad Bishop John Samuel

**SUDAN (Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan)**

Diocese of El Obeid Bishop Ismail Gabriel Abudigin

Diocese of Kadugli Bishop Andudu Adam Elnail

Diocese of Kadugli Suffragan Bishop Hassan Osman

Diocese of Khartoum Archbishop Ezekiel Kumir Kondo

Diocese of Port Sudan Bishop Abdu Elnur Kodi

Diocese of Wad Medani Bishop Saman Farajalla Mahdi

**TANZANIA (The Anglican Church of Tanzania)**

Diocese of Mara Bishop George Okoth

Diocese of Rorya Bishop Musa Yamo

Diocese of Tarime Bishop R Mwita Akiri

**SWEDEN (The Church of Sweden)**

Diocese of Skara Bishop Ake Bonnier

**GERMANY (The Evangelical Church of Central Germany)**

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