

FIGHT THE LEADBEATER BILL: The Terminally ill Adults (End of Life) Bill is now receiving close scrutiny in Parliament in preparation for its Third Reading, probably in April. So many of the so-called safeguards presented to MPs in November are under threat, so it's important we continue to lobby our MPs. For more information how to act: <https://spuc.org.uk/campaign/assistedsuicideuk>

“EXCAVATING HOPE”: THE 2025 ROMERO LECTURE: **Thursday 13th March 7pm** at Leeds Trinity University City Centre campus (1 Trevelyan Square LS1 6AE). Fr Luis Orlando Jimenez, a Mexican Jesuit, will link his work on human trafficking and the disappeared in Mexico & South America with the life of St Oscar Romero. All welcome. See www.leedsjp.org.uk to register and for more details.

NEW BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY TRAINING: We are very pleased to be able to offer another presentation of this two-day course for those wishing to learn the basics of grief and how to accompany those who are grieving. The next training will be on **Saturday 22nd March** and **Saturday 5th April** (9.45am – 4pm each day) at The Briery Retreat Centre in Ilkley. For more information or an application form please contact the Elizabeth Prout Bereavement Care team at epbereavementcare@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI & PADUA: **Saturday 25th October to Saturday 1st November 2025** (half-term). Flights to/from Manchester airport. Price £1075 sharing, £1295 single room. Half-board, guide, and all transport in Italy included. **BOOKING FORMS** are now available from Fr Peter – for info: www.stjosephpudsey.org.uk/assisi/



DEMENTIA FRIENDS ONLINE TRAINING: Our diocesan “*Growing Old Gracefully*” group, along with *Age Friendly Leeds*, are organising two “Dementia Friends” online training sessions to give people a better understanding of dementia, as part of making parishes and communities more dementia friendly. The dates for the sessions are: **Monday 10th March 2.30-3.30pm & Tuesday 29th April 7.00-8.00pm**. Each of the training sessions is the same. To book: growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or see: www.growingoldgracefully.org.uk

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR FUNDRAISING EVENT: On **Friday 28 February** at the Irish Centre Tara Suite, 7.30pm. Tickets £25.00. Meal of soda bread, Irish stew and dessert, also Irish band dancing, sing-along, auction and raffle. Please come along and support the Little Sisters and have a great night of entertainment. All proceeds to go towards rebuilding of Mount St Joseph's home. For tickets: funds.leeds@lsplondon.co.uk

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: **Friday 4th - Thursday 10th July 2025**. Bookings are now open. The theme is '*With Mary, Pilgrims of Hope*', to coincide with the Jubilee Year of Hope. The Jubilee is a major celebration in which pilgrims are invited to immerse themselves in God's infinite mercy. Early booking strongly recommended. In anticipation of higher than usual numbers, transfers will be offered to and from Stansted Airport once the Leeds flight is full. Please book via the Tangney website or by phone directly with Tangney Tours: www.tangney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-leeds/
For further info see the flyer in the church porch or www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage/

LEEDS PAX CHRISTI PRAYER SERVICE: Leeds Pax Christi is organising an **Ash Wednesday** Prayer Service outside Holy Trinity Church on Boar Lane on **5th March at 12.30pm**. We urge repentance for those involved in nuclear war preparations and pray that we all have the courage to say yes to peace no to war. All are welcome. For more information contact Carol 07707061115.

OUR LADY OF KIRKSTALL PARISH LENTEN MISSION: **Monday 10th to Wed 12th March** led by Sr Briege McKenna & Fr Pablo Escriva de Romani. This 3-day Mission is an opportunity to renew our faith and draw closer to Jesus. For more information please visit www.ourladyofkirkstall.org.uk The session will be free of charge, but booking is essential: <https://OLKParishMission2025.eventbrite.com>



BEER FESTIVAL: Tickets are now on sale for the annual St Joseph's Beer Festival. There are two sessions on **Saturday 3rd May: 2-6pm and 7.30-11.30pm**. Tickets are £15 for the evening session, £10 for the afternoon session or £20 for a combo ticket. Kids are free for the afternoon session only. Tickets are limited so book early to avoid disappointment at <https://buytickets.at/stjosephsmops/1594583> or use QR code