



Welcome to St Joseph's Catholic Church Bilton, Harrogate



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"Lent is a good time for sacrificing. Let us deny ourselves something every day to help others." Pope Francis.

Sunday 6th March 2022	First Sunday of Lent - Year C
	4.30pm-5.00pm (Sat eve) Confessions
	5.30pm (Sat Evening) Vigil Mass (Ruth Trollope [RIP])
	8.00am Mass (PARISH)
	11.00am Mass (The Ukrainian People)
Tuesday 8th March	Weekday of Lent
	6.30pm Stations of the Cross
	7.00pm Mass (Prayers Answered [Thanksgiving])
Wednesday 9th March	Weekday of Lent
	9.30am Mass (Holy Souls)
Thursday 10th March	Weekday of Lent
	9.30am Mass (Betty Costar [A])
Friday 11th March	Weekday of Lent
	9.30am Mass (Holy Souls)
	After Mass Stations of the Cross
Sunday 13th March 2022	Second Sunday of Lent - Year C
	4.30pm-5.00pm (Sat eve) Confessions
	5.30pm (Sat Evening) Vigil Mass (Raymond Thompson [A])
	8.00am Mass (...)
	11.00am Mass (...)

We Pray For...

As we begin our Lenten journey, we turn with confidence to God our Father asking for his help as we prepare to celebrate the Resurrection at Easter.

For the whole Church, that all who follow Christ will keep Lent well and come to the Feast of Easter with hearts and minds renewed. *(pause) Lord in your mercy...*

For our world, and especially for the people of Ukraine, that they may see an end to warfare and violence, and a return to their peaceful sovereignty. May all world leaders work towards a quick end to this violence. *(pause) Lord in your mercy...*

For all those seeking full communion with the Church, especially those who will be received this Easter, that they may be guided by our example of faith, and for ourselves, that we will each seek spiritual renewal through the Lenten disciplines of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. *(pause) Lord in your mercy...*

For all the sick and suffering, the homeless and the housebound, that they will be comforted by the healing touch of Christ. *(pause) Lord in your mercy...*

For all who have died, that they may be welcomes to the table of the Lord in heaven. *(pause) Lord in your mercy...*

God our Father, in every age you call a people to hear your word and to do your will. Open our eyes to your deeds and our ears to the sound of your call so that our every act may increase our sharing in the new life you offer to us. We ask this through Christ our Lord Amen.

 Please remember to turn-off mobile phones before Mass begins...Thank you!

REGULAR EVENTS & CONTACTS

APF Red Mission Boxes

Contact: Liz Walker 01423 881061

Brownies

Wednesday evenings in term-time 6.00pm - 7.15pm
Contact: 3rdbiltonbrownies@gmail.com

Catenians

Second Tuesday, 7.30pm at Ascot House Hotel
Contact: John Tolan 01423 884690

Childrens' Liturgy Group

Contact: Grace Foster 07515 686662

Choir (11.00am Mass)

Contact: Gill Crowther 01423 817885

Church Cleaning Team (More Volunteers Needed!)

Contact: Elaine Flanagan 07791 500359

Church Flowers Team

Contact: Helen Fletcher 01423 525216

Church Tea & Coffee Team (11.00am Mass)

Contacts: Anne Roberts 07867788552
Annemarie Perry 07722091465

Friendship Group

Tuesday Afternoons in the Hall - 1.30pm - 2.45pm
Contact: Rachel 07739 975021

Gift Aid Organiser

Contact: John Tweddle 01423 523332

Journey in Faith (RCIA)

Tuesdays as announced. (November - Easter)
Contact: Fr Stephen 01423 504124

Knights of St Columba

Contact: Jason Aldiss 07976 428198
jason.aldiss@eandj.co.uk

Parish Hall Bookings

Contact: Elaine Flanagan 07791 500359
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Rotas (Eucharistic Ministry)

Contact: Bradley Gotting 07985 515307
b.gotting@sky.com

Rotas (Readers)

Contact: Paul Fletcher 01423 525216

Safeguarding Representatives (Parish)

Contact: Tony Cullen 07785 252253
psr.tcullen@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP)

Meeting Times TBC
Contact: Teresa Carmody 01423 565068

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs R Rouse 01423 562650

St John Fisher Catholic High School

Headteacher: Mr S Mort 01423 887254

St Joseph's Pre-School (Term-time Mornings)

Contact Julie Kane 07792657808
nyey.580630@outlook.com

Readers & (Eucharistic Ministers) at Mass: This Weekend:

Vigil: Patsy Rochester; Peter Durbin (Elaine Durbin)
8.00am Daniele Bovo; Amy Keith (John Walker)
11.00am Czarek Smith; Paul Fletcher (Mark Grafton)

Next Weekend:

Vigil: T Thompson; Val Clemerson (Martin Flanagan)
8.00am John Walker; Alex Leckenby (Michelle Hardacre)
11.00am Ann Grafton; Helen Fletcher (Greg Warren)

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Raymond Thompson (A); Josie Rushton (100th Birthday) x2; The Ukrainian People (SP Int); Prayers Answered.

St Joseph's Lenten Project 2022:

Thank you to all those parishioners who cast their vote at the end of last weekend's Masses. The results are as follows:

Harrogate Homeless Project (90 Votes)
Médecins Sans Frontières (62 Votes)
Salt & Light (22 Votes)
Harrogate Neighbours (18 Votes)

This year, therefore, our Lenten Project will be supporting the work of the **Harrogate Homeless Project**. Sincere thanks to the "Independent Counters" who counted the votes after the 11.00am Mass – and thanks too to those four parishioners who made their submissions of four very worthy charities for the parish to support this lent. There will be a retiring collection at the end of each Weekend Mass during lent for our Lenten Project. It is hoped that Harrogate Homeless Project will provide Gift Aid envelopes for our use – once they are here, I shall make them available. Thank you.

CAFOD – Ukraine Appeal:

Like each of us, CAFOD is deeply disturbed by the ongoing attacks on Ukraine. Together, we stand in solidarity with the Ukrainian people and send our prayers to our sister organisation Caritas Ukraine, and those Caritas agencies in neighbouring countries, who are already helping people affected by this conflict.

We are part of one of the largest aid networks in the world – Caritas Internationalis, and because of our global reach and local presence, we are there when an emergency hits. As one Caritas, we stand united with them. CAFOD works with the Disasters Emergency Committee to deliver the help where and when it is needed. To contribute to the urgent and ongoing support needed please do so online via the CAFOD website: cafod.org.uk and follow the links to the Donate button. You could also telephone 0303 303 3030

First Reconciliation 2022:

The Reconciliation Preparation will be as follows:

Wednesday 23rd March, 6.00pm in Church - Meeting for parents and carers (around 45 mins).

Saturday 26th March, 10.00am - 2.00pm in the Church Hall, Preparation session for the Candidates.

Wednesday 6th April, from 3.00pm Celebration of the Sacrament (details to be advised closer the date).

Come and Sing with Songs of Praise!

You are warmly invited to a special Songs of Praise music recording of hymns at Leeds Cathedral. All are welcome and we are especially keen for enthusiastic singers to join us and lead the viewers at home in the singing. Recording on: **Wednesday 23rd March 6:30pm-9:30pm** At: **Leeds Cathedral**, Great George Street, Leeds. LS2 8BE

To apply for free tickets, please send your name, address, contact phone number and number of tickets requested to SOPcongregations@avantimedia.tv

Please include 'Songs of Praise Leeds' in your subject header. Alternatively, you can call us on 07734 030 888 to book your tickets.

News from St Joseph's School:



On Ash Wednesday Y6 attended Mass in church with all other classes participating in school. Father Stephen then distributed the ashes to the children in school.

The Mass included the presentation of a new set of Stations of the Cross from school to church, by our Head Boy George and Head Girl Emily. The Stations of the Cross were bought from the Mini Vinnies fundraising last year. The Stations are dedicated to the first 50 years of the school and in loving memory of Mr Frank Naughton, the first headteacher at St Joseph's. We are very grateful to Father Stephen for blessing the Stations. This is particularly poignant as the Stations were created by an artist in Ukraine and only arrived in school on Monday. In school we continue to pray for the people of Ukraine.

The Stations of the Cross:

As the school report mentions above, the Stations were created by a young family man in Ukraine - I had found his work quite by accident last year whilst researching for the school and Mini-Vinnies' gift to us - and had been in touch with Maxim (the artist) until the order was placed. Since then of course, we all know what is happening in Ukraine, and so I have sent personal messages to Maxim and his family, and wait for and pray for a response. Let us keep him, his family and his country in our prayers.

Life Transfigured Talk:

Tuesday 8th March, Wheeler Hall, 7pm. Actor and Playwright Deborah McAndrew will give the third talk in the Life Transfigured series on "Suspension of disbelief: the power of the Chester Mystery Plays". Please register attendance by emailing: lifetransfigured@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Deanery Day of Renewal:

On Saturday 12th March from 11.30 am to 3.45pm in St. Aelred's Church Hall, Woodlands Drive Harrogate HG27BE

The Speaker will be Mgr. Donal Lucey. Theme of talk "Holy Days in Holy Week."

We also hope to set up a zoom link for the talk for those who cannot join us live. To register please e-mail Val at: vmese@hotmail.co.uk and the zoom link will be sent to you on the day.

Diocesan Director of Education Vacancy:

The Diocese of Leeds wishes to appoint a practising Catholic to promote and implement the Bishop's vision

for Catholic Education within the Diocese. Please contact Liam Dowds, on 01737 652043 or ldowds@emmausleadership.me for further details. Closing date: Monday 28th March 2022.

Vacancies:

Diocese of Leeds Safeguarding has two vacancies - one for a Safeguarding Administrator, 18hrs per week (Flexible) and one for a Safeguarding Officer, focusing on volunteer support and training, full time (some evening and weekends). Information and application pack from: safeguarding@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage:

1st -7th July 2022. Tangney Tours booking forms available in all parishes. You can also book online at: www.tagneytours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/leeds-lourdes or call: 01732 886666. New volunteer carers and registered nurses welcome. Full training given. Please email Anita for more information about volunteering - anita.bodurka@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Youth 2000 - Leeds Retreat:

At Leeds Trinity University, 18th - 20th March 2022. 'It is a weekend of talks, workshops, small groups, sung worship, Adoration, Mass and Eucharistic Adoration. It is a beautiful, joyful experience of the Catholic Church, aimed at students/young adults. Here's the link to book: <https://www.youth2000.org/events/leeds-retreat>

Family Mass:

Sunday 6th March, 1.30pm there is a family friendly Mass at St Patrick's Church, Victoria Road, Elland, HX5 0PU with refreshments following. More info - join the Nazareth Family Mass group on Facebook and follow on Instagram (@nazarethfamilymass).

St Bede's and St Joseph's Catholic College

Memorial Mass:

On Friday 11th March, Mass will be celebrated at 11:50am at the Ardor site (formerly St Bede's) in memory of deceased members of our College community. Guests are warmly invited to this Mass. To reserve a place, please contact Mrs Mary Hymas (mhymas@sbsj.co.uk)

Pro-Life Pilgrimage to Walsingham:

Friday 25 March 2022 (Feast of the Annunciation). Coach pick-up points in Bradford and Leeds. Costs £30. Bookings/enquiries via Kate, Leeds People for Life - 07505 767415.

The Universe Catholic Weekly:

Order your Digital 4 weeks FREE trial supply by calling Michelle on 0743 661 7650 or email: michelle.jones@universecatholicweekly.co.uk

Lenten Day Retreat:

At the Briery on 4th or 5th March led by Fr Dennis Cassidy. Suggested offering £37 per person. To book a place please call the Briery on 01943 607287 or email: briery@btconnect.com

Exploring Prayer:

7th-18th March 2022. This online retreat will cover 2 weeks. Only 1 hour each day with a personal guide. Suggested offering of £20 per person. For further information see the poster or to make a booking, please call the Administrators on 01943 607287 or email: briery@btconnect.com.