



Welcome to St Joseph's Catholic Church Bilton, Harrogate



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"I see clearly that the thing the Church needs most today is the ability to heal wounds and to warm the hearts of the faithful; it needs nearness, proximity."
Pope Francis

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 6th November 2022	Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C
	4.30pm - 5.00pm (Sat Eve) Confessions
	5.30pm (Sat Evening) Vigil Mass (Eileen Fisher [LD])
	8.00am Mass (PARISH)
	11.00am Mass (Seamus McCaul [B'day A])
Tuesday 8th November	Weekday in Ordinary Time
	7.00pm Mass (For Dad's Speedy Recovery / Holy Souls)
Wednesday 9th November	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
	9.30am Mass (Bernadette Sheargold [RIP] / Holy Souls)
Thursday 10th November	St Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church
	9.30am Mass (James [Sp Int] / Holy Souls)
Friday 11th November	St Martin of Tours, Bishop
	9.30am Mass (Alison Court / Holy Souls)
Sunday 13th November 2022	Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C <i>Remembrance Sunday</i>
	4.30pm - 5.00pm (Sat Eve) Confessions
	5.30pm (Sat Evening) Vigil Mass (Esther Judge [A]/ Holy Souls)
	8.00am Mass (Martin Fenlon [Sp Int] / Holy Souls)
	11.00am Mass (Those who have died in times of War / PARISH)

We Pray For...

With trust in the God of life, we now offer our prayers to the Lord:

For the Church throughout the world that, faithful to her Risen Lord, she may preach the Gospel of Life and turn the hearts of all towards the love of God.

For the leaders of nations and those in authority, that they might come together to advance the right of religious freedom for all people.

For all who are tortured for their faith, race, orientation or political beliefs, that the brutality of torture may be exposed and that justice may take root among the nations.

For all of us gathered here to celebrate the Eucharist, that we might be renewed in our commitment to follow Jesus with fidelity, trust and joy.

For the elderly, the infirm, the sick and the suffering, and for all those who grieve, that the peace of Christ, the Lord of everlasting life, will rest on them.

For those who have died – and all our departed relations and friends, we pray together: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...

God our Father, you have made us your sons and daughters in Jesus Christ. Help us always to live by that truth, that we may know, and do, your will. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

 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

Children's 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 07867 788552
Annemarie Perry 07722 091465

Friendship Group

Tuesday Afternoons in the Hall - 1.30pm - 2.45pm

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

Parish Hall Bookings

Contact: Elaine Flanagan 07791 500359
elaineflanagan184@btinternet.com

Piety Stall

Contacts: Helen Fletcher 07837 928851
Cathy Hudson 07790 814819

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)

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 07792 657808

Readers & (Eucharistic Ministers) at Mass:

This Weekend: 5/6 November

Vigil: Elaine Durbin; Jade Cooper (Martin Flanagan)
8.00am Alex Leckenby; John Walker (Val Burdon)
11.00am Pam Evans; Alicia Player (Annemarie Perry)

Next Weekend: 12/13 November

Vigil: Róisín Currie; Peter Durbin (Patsy Rochester)
8.00am Daniele Bovo; Amy Keith (John Walker)
11.00am Anne Roberts; John Tweddle (Anne Roberts)

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Fr Bernard Meade (Sp Int); Cynthia Turner (RIP);
Andrew (Sp Int); Esther Judge (A); Alison Court.

News From Our School:

We return to school after half term rested and refreshed and ready for a half term full of learning and fun.

Just before half term, we had a new adventure trail installed in the key stage one playground. Father Stephen came to bless the trail and all the children who will use it. This is a great addition to our school outdoor provision, which the children are loving using at break and lunch times. We are also in the process of developing a new prayer garden for school and will keep you updated.

At this time of year, parents are looking for Reception places for September 2023. If you have friends and/or family who would like to visit our wonderful school, please let them know they can just phone /email school to make an appointment to look round. We also have a few places in some other classes. School tel no: 01423 562650 Email: admin@stjosephsharrogate.org, see the 'Join Our School' information on our website <https://www.stjosephsharrogate.org>

November - Month of the Holy Souls:

Any envelopes containing names for the November Dead List which come in over the next few weeks will of course be added to the list already printed, and all will have a share in the 75+ Masses to be offered for the Holy Souls.

Journey in Faith - RCIA:

Each year a number of adults in our parish decide to explore more deeply their faith by becoming part of the Journey in Faith - RCIA Group. This year's course for those wishing to be received into the Catholic Church at Easter will begin on Tuesday November 15th at 7.30pm, after the 7.00pm Mass. It is an informative and welcoming course taking place every month until April. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or just finding out more about the faith, then please come along. Have a chat with Fr Stephen after Mass for more information.

First Sacraments 2022/23:

We are now formulating our timetable for preparation of the First Sacraments and will hopefully have the final dates this week (after the clergy Deanery meeting). Once the dates have been finalised I will make available through Church and School letter of invitation. The order and date of each celebration will be:

Confirmation (Yr 6 and above) February 2023 (TBC)

First Reconciliation (Yr 3 and above) 29th March 2023

First Holy Communion (Yr 4 & above) 10th June 2023

Each of these sacraments will require participation in the preparation session, please do make them a priority insofar as this is possible - registration forms and details of the relevant preparation courses will be sent out in the next week or so.

Catholic Care Christmas Appeal:

Mindful of the present "cost of living crisis", Catholic Care has organised a collection of items which can be re-distributed across the diocese to people who most need them. They are appealing for gifts of tinned or packet foods, toiletries and new toys. If you feel able to help this appeal, please bring your donations to church

by Sunday 13th November, from where they will be collected by Catholic Care and taken to where they are needed this winter. Thank you for your help and support.

Accommodation Needed:

A Ukrainian family (mother, grandmother and two children aged 12 and 7) who have been successfully living in Thorp Arch with a Ukrainian host family for 8 months are looking for independent accommodation in the local area. If this is something you may be able to help with or if you would like any more details, please contact Victoria Tilbrook (m: 07545083647) Many thanks.

SJOG Homes for Ukraine:

St John of God Hospitaller Services and Caritas are offering a matching, training and support programme for hosts and displaced individuals under the Homes for Ukraine Scheme. If you feel you could offer a safe place for someone to stay, having been displaced by the continuing Russian War on Ukraine, please visit sjog-homesforukraine.uk

Deanery Day of Renewal:

On Saturday 12th November from 11.30am to 3.45pm in St. Aelred's Church Hall, Woodlands Drive, Harrogate HG27BE. The Speaker will be David Wright. David is part of the Ampleforth Renewal Community. Title of talk; "Privilege".

If you cannot attend in person, and to register for a Zoom link please e-mail Val at: vmese@hotmail.co.uk

Revelation:

The Youth Service's monthly youth event for young people in Years 8-13 will be taking place on Thursday 17th November at Hinsley Hall from 5:30-7:30pm. It will be an evening of prayer, music, games, fellowship and more as we focus on the theme of 'Solidarity'. For further information, email youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Young Adults Group:

We're hoping to begin a new group for young adults (around 18-35 years old) in the Harrogate district to meet together to grow in faith and friendship. The group would meet fortnightly and provide an opportunity to socialise, pray, and enrich our spiritual lives. The format of the meet ups will be shaped by the group. If you would be interested in this, or have any questions or ideas for such a group, please email davidmonteith@hotmail.co.uk To get an initial idea of interest, it would be helpful to have responses before 18th November.

Beauty and the Beast at SJFCHS 22-25 November

St. John Fisher Catholic High School is returning to the stage to produce its first senior school musical production since 2019. We have a cast, band and crew of over 80 students, many of whom are from parishes across the Diocese. Our school productions are a really good opportunity to see the fantastic standard of performing arts here at St. John Fisher and promise a really great night out! Of course you are used to seeing our students play and sing in worship, but many of the them will be performing in a different light come the end of November! The show takes place at SJFCHS Main Hall 7.00pm 22nd - 25th November and tickets are available online at harrogateinternationalfestivals.com

Advent Days of Reflection:

Led by Fr Dennis Cassidy on Friday 2nd or Saturday

3rd December at the Briery from 10am-3.30pm. The day includes morning coffee with homemade biscuits on arrival, a two-course lunch with tea/coffee and tea with cake on departure. To book a place please call the administrators on 01943 607287 or email: briery@btconnect.com

World Youth Day 2023:

Aged 16-30? You're invited to join the Diocese of Leeds Youth Service in Lisbon, Portugal from 31st July - 7th August 2023 for World Youth Day, a week-long youth festival with Pope Francis and young people from across the world! Cost: £1200, which includes accommodation, travel, WYD package and more!

There will be an information meeting on Tuesday 8th November at 7pm at Wheeler Hall. Email youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk to apply!

Full Time Parish Finance Administrator:

The Diocese of Leeds is looking to recruit a Parish Finance Administrator who will be a member of the Diocesan Finance Department based at Hinsley Hall. A full job description is available at <http://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/vacancies/>. Please apply by completing the application form from the website and send to recruitment@dioceseofleeds.org.uk by Friday, 25 November 2022. Further information, and a preliminary discussion, can also be requested through this e-mail address.

Catholic Care Vacancies:

Support Worker - outreach for Adult care (including Mental Health, Older people and learning disability services). Care Bank workers also required. Flexible working hours available. For an Application form or more information visit www.catholic-care.org.uk or call 0113 388 5400.

A Month of Remembrance & Prayer for the Dead:

Belief in the resurrection of the dead is an essential part of Christian revelation. It implies a particular understanding of the mystery that death is the end of our earthly life, but 'not of our existence' (*St Ambrose*) since the soul is immortal. 'Our lives are measured by time, in the course of which we change, grow old and, as with all living beings on earth, death seems like the normal end of life' (*CCC, 1007*). Seen from the perspective of the faith, 'death is the end of man's earthly pilgrimage, of the time of grace and mercy which God offers him so as to work out his earthly life in keeping with the divine plan, and to decide his ultimate destiny' (*CCC, 1013*).

Death is the passage to the fullness of true life. Death is the prolongation, in a new way, of life as the liturgy says: 'For your faithful, O Lord, life has changed not ended; while our earthly dwelling is destroyed, a new and eternal dwelling is prepared for us in Heaven' (*Missal, Preface*). The death of a Christian is an event of grace, having as it does, a positive value and significance in Christ and through Christ. According to the faith of the Church, 'to die in Christ' begins at baptism. In Baptism, the Lord's disciples sacramentally die in Christ so as to live a new life.

From the earliest days of the Christian religion the Church has honoured with great respect the memory of the dead. The whole month of November is an interesting time of prayer in the Church as it begins with two important feast days of All Saints, and All Souls.

+ Eternal rest grant unto them , O Lord...