



Welcome to St Joseph's Catholic Church Bilton, Harrogate



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"Christmas is the feast of love incarnate and born for us in Jesus Christ. He is the light of mankind shining in the darkness, giving meaning to human existence and to the whole of history." Pope Francis.

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 24th December **Christmas Eve**



9.30am Mass of the Day (Holy Souls) 5.30pm Children's Vigil Mass (Arthur Tom Molloy) 7.00pm Vigil Mass (John & Breedge Collinson) 11.30pm Carols led by the Choir, leading into Midnight Mass

Sunday 25th December 2022 **Christmas Day**



12.00pm Midnight Midnight Mass (PARISH & PEACE ON EARTH) 8.00am Mass (Ron Schiendorfer [Sp Int]) 11.00am Mass (Thanksgiving & Healing / Peter Rouse [RIP])

Monday 26th December St Stephen, The First Martyr

> 12.00noon Mass (Mr & Mrs Costar [RIP])

Tuesday 27th December St John, Apostle & Evangelist

> 12.00noon Mass (Jan [LD])

Wednesday 28th December The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

> 12.00noon Mass (Tom Murray [LD])

Thursday 29th December St Thomas a Becket, Bishop & Martyr

> 12.00noon Mass (Private Intention [A&N])

Friday 30th December The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

> 12.00noon Mass (Mary D [Sick])

Sunday 1st January 2023 Mary, The Holy Mother of God

> 5.30pm (Sat Evening) Mass (PARISH & PEOPLE) ******NB******

No 8.00am Mass Today (apologies for any inconvenience this may cause you)

Mass (Mrs Lauri Li [RIP]) 11.00am

In the cold of the night, he stretches out his tiny arms towards us: he is in need of everything, yet he comes to give us everything. Let us ask him for the strength to be open to dialogue. On this festive day, let us implore him to stir up in the hearts of everyone a yearning for reconciliation and fraternity.



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

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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

Contact Julie Kane 07792 657808

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

Readers & (Eucharistic Ministers) at Mass:

This Weekend: Christmas Duties - see lists

Next Weekend: 31 December / 1 January

Vigil: Jade Cooper; Patsy Rochester (Martin Flanagan) 8.00am No 8.00am Mass today.
11.00am Alicia Player; Helen Fletcher (Greg Warren)

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Fr Stephen (Birthday); Jan (LD); Thanksgiving & Healing; Peter Rouse (RIP); Tom Murray (LD); Mrs Laura Li (RIP); Private Intention (A&N); Mary D (Sick); John & Breedge Collinson; Peace on Earth; Bernard Frost (3rd A); Ron Schiendorfer (Sp Int).

Thank you all!

Thank you to all those who in any way worked to prepare our church for Christmas, and of course all those who performed particular duties and ministries, thank you ...and bless you! Fr Stephen.

Friends of the Holy Land:

As a Parish we will once again support the work of Friends of the Holy Land with our particular Crib Offerings - from Christmas Eve, and throughout the Octave there will be a box available to place in your offerings for Friends of the Holy Land close to the crib. If you place any offerings into the main collection box, specifically for FHL then please place them in an envelope and clearly mark it FHL. Thank you for your support.

St Joseph's Friendship Group:

We will be closing for a Christmas break on Tuesday 20th and 27th of December and we will reopen on Tuesday the 3rd of January 2023.

First Sacraments date for 2022/23:

Confirmation (Yr 6 and above) 9th February 2023

First Reconciliation (Yr 3 and above) 29th March 2023 First Holy Communion (Yr 4 & above) 10th June 2023

'Little Bits of God' Mosaic:

Is coming to Leeds Cathedral from Sat 14th Jan until Thurs 9th Feb 2023. Why not come along and explore the God Who Speaks through the art of mosaic? More details: www.art.godwhospeaks.uk/

Mount St Joseph's:

A number of independent living flats are available at Mount St Joseph's (Little Sisters of the Poor) in Headingley, Leeds. If you are interested, please contact Sister Caroline, or her secretary Sandra Stitch on the following number: 0113 2784101 or email ms.lspleeds@lsplondon.co.uk.

Ukrainian Winter Appeal:

The Ukrainian Eparchy has approached all Catholic Communities within England and Wales to ask for urgent help with their Winter Appeal:

The Emergency Winter Appeal will be run in partnership with Caritas Ukraine, Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church parishes in East and South Ukraine, as well as local NGOs. The aim is to supply food parcels to people who will desperately need them over these bitter winter months, whilst the war still rages on. The cost of one food parcel, providing enough food for two people for a week is approximately £16. Each package will contain the basics (grains, flour, pasta, meat and fish preserves, oil, canned vegetables, sugar, tea, coffee, biscuits etc.) The Eparchy hope to raise £160,000 allowing them to supply 10,000 food parcels to those most in need.

At St Joseph's we will hold a special collection on the Weekend of 7th / 8th January 2023, as an Epiphany Gift to the people of Ukraine.

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