



Welcome to St Joseph's Catholic Church Bilton, Harrogate



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"Baptism is the best gift we have received. Through it, we belong to God and we possess the joy of salvation." Pope Francis.

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 12th February 2023	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
	4.30pm-5.00pm (Sat Eve) Confessions
	5.30pm (Sat Evening) Mass (Mrs Edith Walton [RIP])
	8.00am Mass (Tom Rushton [RIP] / PARISH)
	11.00am Mass (Georgina McCaul [B'day A])
Tuesday 14th February	Ss Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop; Patrons of Europe
	7.00pm Mass (Brian Hessett [LD])
Wednesday 15th February	Weekday in Ordinary Time
	9.30am Mass (Holy Souls)
Thursday 16th February	Weekday in Ordinary Time
	9.30am Mass (Holy Souls)
Friday 17th February	Weekday in Ordinary Time
	9.30am Mass (John Minister [LD])
Sunday 19th February 2023	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
	4.30pm-5.00pm (Sat Eve) Confessions
	5.30pm (Sat Evening) Mass (Agata Siewierski [1st A])
	8.00am Mass (PARISH)
	11.00am Mass (Donal Murphy [A])

We Pray For...

Gathered as a faith community to celebrate God's unfailing love and mercy, we now turn to him in prayer:

For the Church, that all who lead and guide us in our faith may be examples of true witness to Christ's compassion for all.

For the victims of the earthquake in Turkey and Syria, for their families and all who suffer from this devastating tragedy. We pray also for the success and safety of the aid workers who are responding to the crisis, tending to the injured and sheltering the homeless.

For peace in our world, that God will turn the hearts of those who choose injustice or persecution away from sin and towards life and love.

For our newly Confirmed Young People, that they may grow up in the practice of their faith, with their parents and sponsors to support them.

For all who are sick or in pain, or facing any kind of difficulty, that God may lift them up and grant them strength, hope and healing.

God our Father, we ask you to hear the prayers we bring to you. Help us to acknowledge your greatness and to serve you with grateful hearts. 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

Interim Headteacher: Mrs A Sowden 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: 11/12 February 2023

Vigil: Alicia Player; Warren Considine (Patsy Rochester)
8.00am Daniele Bovo; Amy Keith (Michelle Hardacre)
11.00am Malgorzate Smith; Paul Fletcher (Helen Fletcher)

Next Weekend: 18/19 February 2023

Vigil: Rachel Rouse; Elaine Durbin (Peter Durbin)
8.00am John Walker; Alex Leckenby (Val Burdon)
11.00am Alicia Player; Helen Fletcher (Bradley Gotting)

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Brian Hessem (LD); Ted Costar (RIP); John & Kelly Warren (30th Wedding Anniversary)

Congratulations!

Congratulations to our newly Confirmed Young People, who received the Sacrament last Thursday evening at St Roberts. It was a lovely occasion, and a very full church! Your certificate is available from me in the Sacristy, after any Mass.

CAFOD Syria-Turkey Earthquake Appeal:

CAFOD is responding with support of provision of food, water, shelter, medical assistance and winter kits for survivors. Your donations in recent months have made that quick response possible. Let us join CAFOD in praying for our sisters and brothers affected by the earthquakes and the winter weather. Your support for CAFOD throughout the year allows our Catholic agency to act quickly when disasters strike. For more details visit CAFOD's Syria Turkey Emergency Appeal online at <https://cafod.org.uk/give>

In immediate response to this, there will be a retiring collection for CAFOD after each of the Masses this weekend, and next.

Spring Supper Night Fundraiser:

A Supper Night for St Joseph's Centenary Fund on Saturday 18th March. Join us for a pre-launch *Supper, Live Singer* and perhaps a little *Dance* in the Parish Hall on St Joseph's Eve. 7.30pm - 10.30pm with licensed bar. Tickets £20. Bookings by email, text or phone to John Tweddle, Liz King or Elaine Flanagan. johnwtweddle@btopenworld.com or 0783 627 1646; lizking04@talktalk.net or 0777 171 1714; elaineflanagan184@btinternet.com

Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP):

Thank you to those people who have mentioned an interest in revitalising our parish Conference. I will continue to work on this, and be back in touch soon - once we have a way forward!

First Reconciliation Preparation:

The Planned Preparation Programme 2023:

Wednesday 1st March - 6pm Parent / Carers' Meeting in Church

Saturday 11th March - 10am-2pm - Session 1 for the children in the Church Hall

Saturday 25th March - 10am-2pm - Session 2 for the children in the Church Hall

Wednesday 29th March - Celebration of the Sacrament in Church.

Any questions regarding the sessions and the course content, please contact the lead catechist, Amy at catechist@stjosephsharrogate.org

OFFERTORIES

4th / 5th February

Weekly Giving	£670.35
Av Weekly Standing Orders	£632.38
Total	£1302.73

Parish Banking Details:

Name: Diocese of Leeds, St Joseph's Harrogate
Sort Code: 40-27-15 **Account Number:** 11017500

Many thanks for your continued generosity

News From Our School:

Well, here we are at the end of the half term. It has flown by yet been packed full of learning experiences for the children. It was wonderful to finish the half term celebrating with the Y6 as they received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday presided over by Bishop Marcus. We pray that the fruits of the Holy Spirit will guide them through life. We wish the children and their families a safe and restful holiday as next term the Y3 children prepare to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time and we start our Lenten Journey. Thank you for the support and prayers you give the school community.

St Joseph's Lenten Project 2023:

Thank you for the submissions received regarding possible Lenten Projects for us this year. Whilst several people made contact with me, there were only two different causes suggested - the first was a local charity "Vision Support", and until the events of last Monday in Turkey and Syria, was the only submission. The second cause is of course a response to the ongoing crisis in the aftermath of the terrible earthquake.

The Finance Committee have agreed that in the first instance we should turn our efforts towards the Earthquake Relief Fund, but in a particular way. We shall therefore be supporting the relief effort via UNICEF, thus focussing their work in both Syria and Turkey on the care and protection of children. I have contacted UNICEF who have promised to send resources to be available to us by next weekend. Regarding the local charity "Vision Support", I would hope that in the Easter Season, we may be able to raise some funds to send in their direction, for the good works they continue to do in our communities.

Deepening Our Faith in Lent with Lectio Divina:

A six week course, beginning on Shrove Tuesday (21st February) after the 7.00pm Mass in Church. The course aims to help us grow in deeper relationship with the Lord, using a prayerful time together reflecting on His words in Scripture. For more information see the leaflets at the back of Church or contact Valeria Burdon.

Lourdes Dinner Dance Fundraiser:

The Annual Diocesan Lourdes Dinner Dance will take place on Friday 24th February at the Met Hotel, Leeds. Ticket prices are £40 or £375 for a table of ten, ticket includes pre meal drink, 3 course meal and music/DJ, please contact Phil Marshall on 07766 148375 or email philmarshall49@hotmail.com for tickets or more info. Please consider joining in a great night that raises vital funds for the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes.

Retrouvaille:

A weekend residential programme for renewal, rediscovery and healing for marriages. 24th - 26th February, Welwyn Garden City. More information: <https://www.retrouvaille.org.uk/>

Polish Friendship Group:

If you would like to meet new people for a coffee, cake and a chat, pop down to see us at St Joseph's Church Hall on the following Sundays between 2.00-4.00pm: 26th February; and 19th March. You will receive a very warm welcome. Further info from Magda on 07432 688582 or Malgosia on 07539276304, Gosia.smith70@sky.com

A Lenten Day of Reflection:

Led by Fr Dennis Cassidy at the Briery, Ilkley entitled "A

Journey through Lent in the footsteps of Jesus" on Friday 3rd March or Saturday 4th March. The day starts at 10am and ends approx. 3.30pm and includes morning coffee/homemade biscuits, a two course lunch and afternoon tea with cake. Offerings £40 per person. For further information and to book a place please contact Admin at The Briery on 01943 607287 or email: briery@btconnect.com

Holy Land Talk and Afternoon Tea:

An illustrated slide talk by Mgr Kieran Heskin followed by a delicious afternoon tea on Sunday 12th March at 2pm organised by the Friends of the Briery and takes place at the Briery, Ilkley. Tickets are £12 per person and are available from Admin at the Briery on 01943 607287 or email: briery@btconnect.com

Little Sisters of The Poor:

Race Night: Friday 31st March 2023, Mount St Joseph's, Headingley. First race at 7:30pm. Fish & Chips, Bar, Raffle. Tickets: £15 available from reception. Tel: 0113 278 4101.

Medjugorje Pilgrimages

13th - 20th June. Leeds/Bradford to Split - £695.00 (two people sharing, single room supplement) Please book online via www.aglowpilgrimages.com

Medjugorje Youth Festival

26th - 31st July from £259.00 (two people sharing) plus flights (book your own flight). Suitable for any age particularly 18 - 35 year-olds. To view this event and book please go online at www.aglowpilgrimages.com For further information please call Katherine 01423 734828 All very welcome to either or both!!

Diocese of Leeds Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023:

6 nights from £745. 7-13 July 2023 by air from Leeds/Bradford Airport. To book please contact Tangney Tours, tel 01732 886666, www.tangney-tours.com & follow links for Lourdes, Leeds. Booking forms will arrive in parishes very soon. (Pilgrim's Mass, Saturday 20 May 12pm at Holy Name Church, Otley Old Road, LS16 6HW. Light buffet and social in the hall afterwards, also medical checks.)

World Youth Day 2023:

There are still places available for World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal from 31st July - 7th August 2023, a week-long youth festival with Pope Francis and young people from across the world! Aged 15-30? You're invited! Cost: £1200, which includes accommodation, travel, WYD package and more! Fundraising opportunities are available so don't let price be a barrier! Email youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk to apply!

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. Please contact Sister Caroline, or her secretary Sandra Stitch on the following number: 0113 2784101 or email ms.lspleeds@lsplondon.co.uk.

Diocese of Leeds Music Vacancies:

We wish to appoint an Assistant Director of the Schools Singing Programme and a Choral Director. For more information, please request an application pack from recruitment@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk. Closing Date: 6th February 2023, 5.00 pm.

Briery Online Zoom Meditations:

on Thursday from 7.30pm to 8.15pm. To register, please email the Briery: briery@btconnect.com