



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 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])
Tuesday 21st February	Weekday in Ordinary Time
	7.00pm Mass (Lenten Group [Sp Int])
Wednesday 22nd February	Ash Wednesday
	9.30am Mass with the Imposition of Ashes (Holy Souls)
	7.00pm Mass with the Imposition of Ashes (PARISH)
Thursday 23rd February	Thursday after Ash Wednesday
	9.30am Mass (Holy Souls)
Friday 24th February	Friday after Ash Wednesday
	9.30am Mass (Holy Souls)
Sunday 26th February 2023	First Sunday of Lent
	4.30pm-5.00pm (Sat Eve) Confessions
	5.30pm (Sat Evening) Mass (John Stackhouse [RIP])
	8.00am Mass (PARISH)
	11.00am Mass (Mary Maslaveckas [LD])

We Pray For...

Jesus tells us 'Your Father in heaven causes the sun to rise and the rain to fall on bad people as well as good. Let us now turn trustfully to God our loving Father and pray:

For Pope Francis, Bishop Marcus and the whole Church, that men and women, clergy and religious, may always be faithful to their life of prayer and good works.

For all those whose who have died as a result of the Earthquake in Syria and Turkey, for all who are bringing relief to those regions, and for an outpouring of love and practical support from the world at large.

For our world and its environment, that exploitation may end and that there will be respect for all living creatures. We pray, too, that all the world's riches may be shared with generosity and love.

For all whose minds are closed to the ways of God, that the gentle promptings of the Spirit may lead them into communion with the God of truth and life.

For our own parish community, that we will always be ready to extend a warm welcome to the visitor and stranger in our midst.

For all who are sick or in pain, that God will crown them with love and compassion and bring them healing and hope.

God our Father, you are our strength and our protection. Hear our prayers and grant them for the good of your children who now call upon you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, 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

Polish Friendship Group

Contacts: Magda 07432 688582
Malgosia 07539 276304

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

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: 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)

Next Weekend: 25/26 February 2023

Vigil: Imelda Morrill; Roisin Currie (Elaine Durbin)
8.00am Amy Keith; Daniele Bovo (John Walker)
11.00am John Tweddle; Malgorzata Smith (Cathy Hudson)

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Lenten Group (Sp Int)

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.

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

11th / 12th February

Weekly Giving	£598.67
Av Weekly Standing Orders	£632.38
Total	£1231.05

CAFOD Earthquake Appeal: £464.66

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

St Joseph's Lenten Project 2023:

The Finance Committee have agreed that in the first instance we should turn our efforts towards the Syria / Turkey 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. There are details of the charity at the back of church, please take a Gift Aid Form if you are able to Gift Aid your donation when you bring it back over Lent. Please make cheques payable to St Joseph's Catholic Church, and mark the back "Lenten Project".

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.

Vocations Service Holy Hour:

The normal last Wednesday of the month Holy Hour for Vocations will not take place in February as it coincides with Ash Wednesday. Back on as normal on 29th March 2023.

Seeing Asylum Exhibition:

There will be an exhibition hosted on Thursday 23rd February from 4pm-7pm at St Paul's Church in Alwoodley. During the exhibition, there will be opportunities for Attendees to see and hear the true and hidden stories of women who were seeking asylum who were held in Immigration detention Centres. Dwayne Hutchinson, the Faith and Racial Justice Lead from Leeds Church Institute, accompanied by a Criminologist who captured these stories, will be present during the evening, to speak to Attendees about the exhibition. Also, Father Yemane will be briefly speaking about his faith from a physical and a spiritual perspective. Please join us for this insightful and eye-opening event. Feel free to visit the following link for more details: <https://lcileeds.org/events-2/>. Tea and coffee will be served.

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

Cupertino Group Masses:

Next Mass: 26th February 2023, 3pm. St Joseph's Catholic Church, West Gate, Wetherby, LS22 6LL. Contact number: Fr Frank - 07850076926 Rosie - 07891951949. These monthly Masses are for children with additional needs and disabilities.

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

Handmaids Women's Group:

Join the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal for Adoration, Music, Rosary, opportunity for Sacrament of Reconciliation and refreshments. Friday 10th March 7-8.30pm Corpus Christi Church, Neville Road, Leeds.

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.

Briery Online Zoom Meditations:

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

SVP Job Vacancy:

Membership Support Officer in the Leeds Diocese. 15 hours per week, with some weekends and evenings. Home-based, but need to be able to travel. Travel expenses paid. More information from Lance Philpott, Head of Membership, lancep@svp.org.uk