



Welcome to St Joseph's Catholic Church Bilton, Harrogate



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*"We proclaim the resurrection of Christ when his light illuminates the dark moments of our existence, and we are able share it with others."
Pope Francis.*

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| Sunday 16th April 2023 | Second Sunday of Easter | (Divine Mercy Sunday) |
| | 4.30pm - 5.00pm (Sat Eve) | Confessions |
| | 5.30pm (Sat Evening) | Vigil Mass (Mrs Edith Walton [RIP]) |
| | 8.00am | Mass (PARISH) |
| | 11.00am | Mass (Brenda Boyle [LD]) |
| Tuesday 18th April | Weekday of Easter | |
| | 7.00pm | Mass (Marsha [For Healing]) |
| Wednesday 19th April | Weekday of Easter | |
| | 9.30am | Mass (Holy Souls) |
| Thursday 20th April | Weekday of Easter | |
| | 9.30am | Mass (Priests of the Diocese [Sp Int]) |
| | 12.00noon | Requiem Mass for Peter Corbett <i>followed by Burial</i> |
| Friday 21st April | Weekday of Easter | |
| | 9.30am | Mass (Holy Souls) |
| Sunday 23rd April 2023 | Third Sunday of Easter | |
| | 4.30pm - 5.00pm (Sat Eve) | Confessions |
| | 5.30pm (Sat Evening) | Vigil Mass (Raymond Thompson [RIP]) |
| | 8.00am | Mass (PARISH) |
| | 11.00am | Mass (Jenny Roberts [RIP]) |

Divine Mercy Sunday:



This Sunday, the second Sunday of Easter is also known as Divine Mercy Sunday. The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering **ABC**:
A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.
B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.
C - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

This message and devotion is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread.

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: 15/16 April 2023 (Divine Mercy)

Vigil: E Durbin; J Cooper (M Flanagan; P Durbin)
8.00am A Leckanby; J Walker (M Hardacre; V Burdon)
11.00am H Fletcher; A Roberts (Pam Evans; Paul Evans)

Next Weekend: 22/23 April 2023

Vigil: R Currie; P Durbin (E Durbin; P Rochester)
8.00am D Bovo; A Keith (J Tweddle; J Walker)
11.00am M Smith; P Fletcher (A Perry; A Roberts)



The Regina Coeli

**Regina coeli, laetare, alleluia.
Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia.
Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia.
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.**

Gaude et laetare, Virgo Maria, alleluia.
Quia surrexit Dominus vere, alleluia.

Oremus.

Deus, qui per resurrectionem Filii tui, Domini nostri Iesu Christi, mundum laetificare dignatus es: praesta, quaesumus; ut per eius Genetricem Virginem Mariam, perpetuae capiamus gaudia vitae.
Per eundem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Holy Week & Easter Thanks:

A huge and sincere "Thank you" to everyone who made our Holy Week and Easter celebrations so wonderful! A lot of work goes on in the background before ever we begin the liturgies - so thanks to all who have cleaned, prepared and beautified our Church. Thanks to the Flower Team; Gill and the Choir; Dan and the Altar Servers; Readers; Ministers; Welcomers and each person who has furnished our Church with their presence over Easter. Sincere thanks too, to Fr Donal for offering Mass during last week! Thank you also for your generous Easter Offerings - God Bless you all!

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Marsha (Healing); Priests of the Diocese (Sp Int).

Holy Communion Under Both Kinds:

The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales including Bishop Marcus, tell us that we can now, once again, receive the Lord in Holy Communion from the chalice as well as in the sacred host. We have restored as of Holy Thursday Evening.

To receive Holy Communion under both kinds still remains a personal decision of each Catholic. Only a celebrating priest is *obliged* to receive communion under both kinds at Mass. By the doctrine of concomitance, the body and blood of Christ are fully present in both elements of the Eucharist so full communion is to be had in either.

However, the Church teaches that the Eucharist "has a fuller sign when it takes place under both kinds, for in this form the sign of the eucharistic banquet is more clearly evident and clearer expression is given to the divine will by which the new and eternal covenant is ratified in the Blood of the Lord".

Please think and pray about whether you feel able to receive under both kinds, or continue as at present. There is no judgement attached to either decision!

OFFERTORIES

8th / 9th April

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| Easter Offerings | £1280.45 |
| Av Weekly Standing Orders | £632.38 |
| Total | £1912.83 |
| UNICEF Lent Appeal | |
| Grand Total: | £2520.42 |
| Holy Places: | £405.71 |

Parish Banking Details:

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

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers:

New lists are available at the back of church for upcoming duties. If you would like to join the lists, please speak with either Paul Fletcher or Bradley Gotting.

First Holy Communion Preparation 2023:

If your child is in Year 4 or above and would like to receive Holy Communion for the first time this year - then read on! The First Holy Communion Masses will be celebrated on Saturday 10th June 2023. There are three preparation sessions for the children, and a parents/carers meetings, as detailed below. It is important that these meetings are a priority for your child. **Wednesday 19th April 2023 - 6pm Parent/Carers' Meeting in Church**

Sat 22nd April 10am-2pm - Session 1 in Church Hall

Sat 13th May 10am-2pm - Session 2 in Church Hall

Sat 20th May 10am-2pm - Session 3 in Church Hall

From the original announcement of preparation dates earlier this year, please note the 6th May has been changed to the 13th May, due to the Coronation weekend. If this message applies to you, and you have not already received this by direct email, please contact catechist@stjosephsharrogate.org

Divine Mercy Sunday (16th April):

Come and join us at St. Robert's from 2.00pm beginning with Adoration and confession. At 3.00pm we will pray the chaplet of Divine Mercy. All welcome!

Laudato Si Action!

St Aelred's Hall, 22nd April 2023 10.30am - 2.00pm. John Battle and the Diocesan CAFOD team will lead the discussion on understanding the practical actions we can take in our parish, in our locality and in our homes to put into effect Pope Francis' proposals in his encyclical 'Laudato Si' to care for our Common Home. Light lunch and refreshments provided. For catering purposes, please indicate your intention to attend by emailing office.staelred@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Deanery Day of Renewal.

Saturday 13th May from 11.30 am to 3.45pm in St. Aelred's Church Hall, Woodlands Drive Harrogate HG27BE. The Speaker will be Fr. Chris Angel. Please come along in person, or to register for the zoom link, contact Val at: vmese@hotmail.co.uk

Weekly Giving Envelopes:

The new stock of Weekly Envelopes have arrived and have been labelled ready for collection. Please take yours! If you would like to give to the parish by this method, please speak with Rich Gundich or John Tweddle.

St Joseph's Lenten Project 2023:

Thank you for your giving to our Lenten Project this year - the Dona Machine will be tallied this week, and the full total published next weekend.

Recruitment of New Diocesan Lay Trustees:

Bishop Marcus is seeking to recruit additional Lay Trustees to join the Board of the Diocese of Leeds. The Board is hoping to secure the appointment of individuals in this round of recruitment with skillsets particularly in Catholic Education, Finance or Property, as well as Governance, Human Resources, Hospitality, Communications & Digital Media, Health & Safety. More information can be found at: www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Celebration of Married Life:

On Saturday 13th May, there will be a special Celebration Mass for Married Life at Leeds Cathedral at 12noon for couples and their families celebrating their 25th (Silver), 40th (Ruby), 50th (Golden), 60th (Diamond) and 70th (Platinum) wedding anniversaries this year. There will be an opportunity for couples, who wish to do so, to renew their marriage vows during the liturgy. If you are celebrating the anniversary of your wedding and you would like to take part in this celebration, please fill out the application form which is available at the back of church and send it to Miss Anne Cooke, Bishop's House, 13 North Grange Road, Leeds, LS6 2BR or email it to bishop@dioceseofleeds.org.uk by Friday 28th April 2023.

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 be arriving 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.)

Catholic Care Parish Representatives:

Would you like to join our team of Catholic Care Parish Representatives? Help us to promote the work of Catholic Care and engage with your parishioners to find out how Catholic Care can support your parish. Visit our website www.catholic-care.org.uk for more details.

Pope Appoints New Papal Nuncio to Great Britain:

Pope Francis has appointed His Excellency Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendía as Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain. Commenting on the news, Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster and President of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, said: "I welcome the appointment of Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendía as Papal Nuncio to Great Britain. On behalf of our Bishops' Conference, I assure him not only of our warm welcome but also of our full cooperation when he takes up these new responsibilities."

Born in Madrid on 19 November 1955, Archbishop Maury Buendía studied philosophy and theology at the Conciliar Seminary of Madrid before being ordained a priest for the Archdiocese on 26 June 1980. He followed a two-year programme of studies at the Pontifical Ecclesiastical Academy in Rome, and entered the Holy See's diplomatic service in July 1987, serving in diplomatic missions in several countries such as Rwanda, Uganda, Morocco, Nicaragua, Egypt, Slovenia and Ireland.

In 2004, he was called to the Section for Relations with States within the Secretariat of State of the Holy See. Four years later, in 2008, he was appointed titular Archbishop of Italica and Apostolic Nuncio to Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan.

Pope Francis appointed him Apostolic Nuncio to Romania on 5 December 2015, and to the Republic of Moldova on 25 January 2016. He was appointed the Apostolic Nuncio to the Court of St. James's on 13 April 2023, filling a post vacant since the previous Nuncio to Great Britain, Archbishop Claudio Gugerotti, was named prefect of the Dicastery for the Eastern Churches on 21 November 2022.