



Welcome to St Joseph's Catholic Church Bilton, Harrogate



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"Lent is a good time for sacrificing. Let us deny ourselves something every day to help others." Pope Francis.

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 10th March 2024	Fourth Sunday of Lent - Laetare Sunday - Mothering Sunday
	4.30pm - 5.00pm (Sat Eve) Confessions
	5.30pm (Sat Evening) Mass (Edith Walton [RIP] / Monika's Heavenly Birthday)
	8.00am Mass (PARISH)
	11.00am Mass (Mrs Elizabeth Costar [A])
Tuesday 12th March	Weekday of Lent
	6.30pm Stations of the Cross
	7.00pm Mass (Andrzej Olszewski [Sp Int])
Wednesday 13th March	Weekday of Lent
	9.30am Mass (Antony McBride & Sons [Thanksgiving])
Thursday 14th March	Weekday of Lent
	9.30am Mass (Holy Souls)
Friday 15th March	Weekday of Lent
	9.30am Mass (Lena Ford [Sick])
	After Mass Stations of the Cross
Sunday 17th March 2024	Fifth Sunday of Lent
	4.30pm - 5.00pm (Sat Eve) Confessions
	5.30pm (Sat Evening) Mass (Mary Maslaveckas [RIP])
	8.00am Mass (Marie Collinson [LD])
	11.00am Mass (Parish)

Please Pray For:

Trusting in the Father's great love for us and confident that he will hear and answer us we turn to him with our prayers:

For the Church, that its faithful proclamation of the Gospel, calling people to repentance, may be heard and heeded by all.

For all world leaders that they will work for peace in the world, for an end to violence and warfare, and that they will respect the rights of their people.

For all those preparing to receive the sacraments and for those who walk alongside them as catechists, sponsors and Godparents, that they may always recognise, and be open to, God's grace and love.

For mothers everywhere and all who share the gift of life with others, that they may receive blessings in this world and in the Kingdom of God, to come.

For all who face exile as a result of violence, need or hunger, that they may receive welcome, justice and compassion.

For those who are sick or suffering in any way, that they will be strengthened by the knowledge of God's love.

God our Father, your Word, Jesus Christ, spoke peace to a sinful world and brought humanity the gift of reconciliation. Enlighten the eyes of our hearts so that we may clearly see the love you have for us. We make this prayer 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: Valerie Clemerson 07815 976912

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

Headteacher: Mrs G Delahay 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: 9 / 10 March 2024

Vigil: R Currie; W Considine (E Durbin; P Durbin)
8.00am: A Hainsworth; G Turner (J Tweddle; J Walker)
11.00am M Smith; P Fletcher (B Gotting; C Hudson)

Mass Next Weekend: 16 / 17 March 2024

Vigil: P Rochester; E Durbin (D Olszewski; P Durbin)
8.00am: C Currie; A Hainsworth (M Hardacre; V Burdon)
11.00am C Antram; Vacant (Paul Evans; Pam Evans)

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Alsamarai Family (Sp Int); Cathie Mussett (A); Marie Collinson (LD); Josie Rushton (B'day A); Piotr Szczurek (A); Peter Corbett (A).

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers:

Please sign up for Holy Week and Easter duties - Thank you!

Holy Week & Easter at St Joseph's, Harrogate:

Palm Sunday - Weekend Masses as Normal.

Tuesday 26th: 7.00pm - Mass

Wednesday 27th: 9.30am - Mass

Holy Thursday: 7.00pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper with Washing of Feet, and Watch at the Altar of Repose until 9.00pm.

Good Friday: 12.00noon - Stations of the Cross
3.00pm - The Liturgy

Holy Saturday: 10.00am - Święconka
7.00pm - The Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday: 8.00am - Mass
11.00am - Mass

The **Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)** will be celebrated at the following times:

Wednesday 20th March - 7.00pm - Service of Reconciliation at St Robert's (5 priests available).

Saturday 23rd March - 11.00am - 12.00noon and also 4.00pm - 5.00pm. Confessions at St Joseph's.

Please Note - Confessions should not be heard on Holy Saturday, for as from the Liturgy on Good Friday until the Easter Vigil Mass, the Church does not celebrate any sacraments.

Catholic Care Annual Appeal:

Many parishes throughout the diocese will taking a collection for Catholic Care - because of our on-going Lenten Project, we have transferred the collection to a weekend in Eastertide. If you have brought an envelope with you, feel free to put it into the collection bag, and it will be saved until the weekend of collection - or hold onto it, until that date!

St Joseph's Lenten Project 2024:

Our Lenten Appeal continues - in the first two weeks you have raised a little over £1100 - which is a fantastic start...what more can we do this Lent? There are now Gift Aid envelopes at the back of Church, please use them and return them to Church in the coming weeks. There is also a button on the Dona machine. There will be a retiring collection on the way out of Weekend Masses throughout Lent. Thank you for your prayerful and sacrificial response to this urgent need.

Reading the Bible:

This short introductory course during, given by Dr Geoffrey Turner, now retired but formerly Head of

OFFERTORIES

2 / 3 March 2024

Weekly Offerings	£686.49
Av Weekly Standing Orders	£780.68
Total	£1467.17

Lenten Project (Little Sisters) £1740.54 (wks 1-3)

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

Theology at Leeds Trinity University, continues on Thursday evening at 7.00pm in the Church Hall. The remaining 2 sessions are entitled thus:

4. The Acts of the Apostles, Paul and the other Letters
5. What happened during Holy Week?

Do come along - even if you have missed the previous sessions - all are welcome.

Stations for the Nations:

Our Parish family comes from many nations, and to celebrate this, I would like the Stations of the Cross on the Tuesday of Holy Week to reflect the many languages which are spoken within our parish family. I am looking for volunteers to sign up to pray the Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory be, in other languages - which language can you offer?

Please sign up on the sheet after Mass this weekend. Many thanks, Fr Stephen.

Stations of the Cross 2024:

We will follow the Stations of the Cross on Tuesdays and Fridays during Lent.

Please do sign up to lead Stations - there is a list at the back of church.

The Second Session of the Synod of Bishops:

Preparations are now underway for the second session of the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops in Rome this October 2024. The Synod Office in Rome has asked the local Churches to reflect on the following specific question: 'HOW can we be a synodal Church in mission?' For further information on this stage of the synodal process and to submit any reflections please visit the diocesan synodal webpages: <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/parish-to-mission/>.

Lourdes Pilgrimage - Fundraising:

Jacob will be selling raffle tickets before and after each of the Masses next weekend - the raffle will be drawn after the 11.00am Mass.

First Reconciliation 2024:

Preparation Classes continue next Saturday at 10.00am until 2.00pm in the Church Hall. The Sacrament will be celebrated on Thursday 21st March, and the Catechists will confirm the time of your child's celebration. Please keep these Young People in your prayers as they take an important step in their journey of faith.

School News:

We have had an amazing Games week. The variety, creativity and fun of the games were quite astounding. Thank you to all for their support in making these games and for providing the money to play them. We celebrated World Book Day on Thursday. The children dressed as their favourite characters whilst donating to our Lenten project. Classes teamed up to create story bags and activities linked to books.

Reception presented their lovely Mother's Day assembly and there wasn't a dry eye in the house. The portraits were adorable, and they spoke so confidently.

Deepening Our Faith with Lectio Divina:

Lectio Divina will go online for a few weeks, to join in with the zoom meeting please e-mail Val at vmese@hotmail.co.uk

Eucharistic Healing Service:

12th March, 7.00pm in Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church (52 Otley Old Rd, Leeds, LS16 6HW). All are welcome to come and pray for healing for themselves or their loved ones. Refreshments afterwards.

Youth 2000 Leeds Retreat:

Leeds Trinity University, Saturday 16th March, 10.00am - 10.00pm, £20. An opportunity for young adults (aged 16-35) to come together and explore what it means to persevere in faith, holding onto Christ. Encounter Jesus in the Eucharist, grow in relationship with Him and His Mother, and form friendships with other young adults. Tickets available from <https://www.youth2000.org/events/leeds>.

St Patrick's Night Celebration:

St John Vianney parish has a great night is in store for you at the Queen's Hall (294 Harrogate Road, LS17 6LE) with 2 live bands, dancing and a hearty stew. Saturday 16th March. 7-11pm. Tickets are £5 and can be booked by contacting Kath on 07752 186 317 or parishhalls@gmail.com.

Leeds Cathedral Lent Day of Reconciliation:

Tuesday 19th March, 7.00am to 7.00pm. There will be priests available to hear confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day.

Handel's Messiah:

The Fisher Singers with guest orchestra and soloists will be performing Handel's Messiah on Saturday 23rd March at 7.00pm at St Wilfrid's Church in Harrogate. For tickets ring 01423 503467; 07958665410 or purchase on the door. Adults £15, £8 under 18's and full-time students.

J S Bach's Mass in B Minor:

At St Peter's Church, Harrogate, on Wednesday 27th March at 7.15pm. Performed by the choir of St Peter's, Vocalis, Harrogate Bach Players and soloists. Tickets from Eventbrite, St Peter's Parish Office (07425161425) or on the door (card or cash)

Celebration of Married Life:

On Saturday 18th 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.

Leeds Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:

The next annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place Friday 5th - Thursday 11th July 2024. The pilgrimage will be led by Bishop Marcus Stock and is being organised through Tangney Tours. More information and booking available at <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage/>

Aid to the Church in Need Seeking Volunteers:

Help to support the Persecuted Church and those in pastoral need. Your support as an ACN volunteer makes a huge difference to people's lives. Contact Teresa.kehoe@acnuk.org or 07939 809412

Rediscover Your Marriage:

Retrouvaille offers you the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving marriage relationship. The next programme commences with a weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 14 -16th June 2024. Contact 07887 296983 or retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com, or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk