



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.

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 28th April 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

4.30pm - 5.00pm (Sat Eve) Confessions
5.30pm (Sat Evening) Mass (Sheila Hird [LD])
8.00am Mass (PARISH)
11.00am Mass (Marion Stevens [LD])

Tuesday 30th April

Weekday of Easter - Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse

7.00pm Mass (Brendan Kane [LD])

Wednesday 1st May

St Joseph the Worker

9.30am Mass (Harrogate Catholic Charismatic Renewal)

Thursday 2nd May

St Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

9.30am Mass (Holy Souls)

Friday 3rd May

Ss Philip & James, Apostles

9.30am Mass (Holy Souls)

Sunday 5th May 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter

4.30pm - 5.00pm (Sat Eve) Confessions
5.30pm (Sat Evening) Mass (Edith Walton [RIP])
8.00am Mass (PARISH)
11.00am Mass (Duffin Family Departed [RIP])

Let us Pray...

God is love and commands us to live in that same love. Let us turn to him and pray for the strength to live as the Lord teaches:

For Francis our Pope, that he will be blessed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and so lead the Church in the ways of the Lord.

For the Church, that it may truly be a sign of salvation pointing towards Jesus, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

For our world, especially for all those who live in poverty, that we may share more justly the many resources God has given us.

For the suffering Church across the world, especially for the communities in the Middle East, that they may be enabled to live in peace.

For our own community, that each of us will reflect the love of Christ by the way we live our lives.

For all who are sick or housebound, and for those who are bereaved, that they will be strengthened by the knowledge of Christ's love for them.

God our Father, you have revealed your love for us in the death and Resurrection of Jesus your Son. Increase our love for one another that we may be your disciples in name and in truth. 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.tullen@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: 27 / 28 April 2024

Vigil: P Allinson; R Rouse (E Durbin; P Rochester)
8.00am: A Keith; J Walker (J Tweddle; A Hainsworth)
11.00am: A Roberts; A Player (H Fletcher; P Fletcher)

Mass Next Weekend: 4 / 5 May 2024

Vigil: C Devlin; A Player (D Olszewski; M Flanagan)
8.00am: G Turner; A Keith (V Burdon; J Walker)
11.00am: S Butter; J Tweddle (Pam Evans; Paul Evans)



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.

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Harrogate Catholic Renewal (Sp Int); Brendan Kane (LD) x2; Stephen Prince (LD); Marion Stevens (LD); Duffin Family Departed (RIP).

St Vincent de Paul (SVP) at St Joseph's.

SVP would like to thank St Joseph's parish and Fr Stephen for the warm welcome they received last weekend at all three masses. Monica, Barbara, Andrew and Nigel were impressed by the openness of parishioners in response to the appeal to reform the SVP Conference at St Joseph's. Several people expressed an interest in knowing more about the SVP and there was a good attendance at the meeting on Tuesday evening where more information was given. We suggested that people take time to reflect and pray about joining the SVP. Either Monica or Barbara will contact those who have given us their contact details some time next week. If anyone else would like to receive further information about the work of the SVP please talk to Fr Stephen and/or call Barbara on 01423 560279

Catholic Care - Looking Ahead:

We shall hold the (earlier postponed) Catholic Care Appeal collection on the weekend of 4th / 5th May. Thank you for your generosity.

Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse:

This is observed on the Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Easter in England and Wales. This year's focus is on communities who have been directly affected by allegations or convictions related to abuse – especially, but not exclusively, within the Church. This may be associated with clergy, a teacher in a local school, a leader of a Catholic group or other person or group whose investigation or conviction is likely to affect the wider community. It is intended to provide specific opportunities for all in the Catholic community to pray

OFFERTORIES

20 / 21 April 2024

Weekly Offerings	£455.41
Av Weekly Standing Orders	£780.68
Total	£1236.09

Priests' Training Fund:	£270.75
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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

for the healing of those who have suffered abuse. A Mass will be offered at St Anne's Cathedral, Leeds on Tuesday 30th April at 12.30pm. All welcome.

School News:

Children of Y2 have been planting seeds in the prayer garden to celebrate the New Life of Easter – we can't wait to see them bloom.

The children have been very active in their learning this week: Y4 had a fantastic time completing a common exception word spelling hunt during their orienteering session; Y6 have been developing their cricket skills; Y5 improved their fitness through a circuit of different exercises; Y3 had a great time learning how to play Tchoukball for the first time at an after-school competition; Y1 have been learning how to do long jump and Y2 have been practising their javelin throw. Please see X (Twitter) for details and photos of the children's learning. Members of Y2 also took part in a football festival with another school, practising skills before finishing with a friendly game.

As May is the month of Mary, we will be celebrating with our Marian Liturgy on Thursday 2nd May. We would like to invite families into school to celebrate with us. Children are invited to bring flowers into school on this day for the liturgy to display around our statue of Mary. Following the liturgy, the flowers will be shared with church, our parish friendship group and homes for the elderly in our local community. The youngest and eldest pupils in school will crown our statue of Mary during the liturgy.

Easter Cake Sale - Thank You:

Thank you to everyone who baked cakes, helped on the day and bought our delicious sweet treats. Together we have raised £375.50 towards the rehabilitation of Alan, a 16 years old boy from Ripon, who had a life changing accident while exercising at home. Thank you on behalf on Alan's family and the Polish Saturday School in Harrogate

Deepening Our Faith with Lectio Divina:

Every Tuesday evening after the 7.00pm Mass here at St Joseph's. A way of deepening faith in the Lord, through the prayerful reading of Holy Scripture. For more information, please e-mail Val at vmese@hotmail.co.uk

First Holy Communion 2024:

The date for the celebration of First Holy Communion is **Saturday 8th June** - because of the size of our Church, there will be two celebratory Masses that day. Preparation is now underway, the remaining date for preparation class is:

Sat 18th May: 10am-2pm in the Church Hall

For any more information please contact Mrs Keith at catechist@stjosephsharrogate.org

Little Sisters of the Poor – Car Park Sale Fundraiser:

There will be a car park sale, at Mount St Joseph's, Headingley, on Saturday 11th May from 12.00noon until 4.00pm. Sale of New Designer Clothing, Furniture, Bric-a-brac, and lots more! Raising funds for the re-building of a new Mount St Joseph's.

CAFOD/SVP General Election Preparation:

The Year of Encounter provides webinars and on-line resources providing information to enable Catholics to make better informed voting choices. Saturday 4th May, 11am. See svp.org.uk/encounter to register.

Bishop John Crowley Preached Retreat at the Briery: 8th – 14th May 2024. Finding our way home to God amid the sorrows and joys of life. "The whole of our spiritual journey revolves around these two things: we are troubled when we contemplate ourselves, and our troubles bring us to salvation; when we contemplate God we are restored by the joy of the Holy Spirit" (St Bernard of Clairvaux). Total offering is £642, fully inclusive with en-suite room. For more information please contact admin@briery.org.uk or 01943 607287.

Growing Old Grace-Fully Online Sessions:

Leeds Diocesan older people's charity is hosting six online meetings this year. The first is "Spirituality in Later Life: Praying Beyond Words", Tuesday 14th May, 7:00pm with Fr Donal Lucy and Paula Shanks. E-mail growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk for more details and to register.

Leeds Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage:

5 - 11th July 2024 from Leeds/Bradford Airport: The theme is 'and that people should come in Procession'. Please book with Tangney Tours T: 01732 886666 or online <https://www.tangney-tours.com>. Visit www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage/ for further information. If you are interested in volunteering, (especially doctors, (GPs) and nurses) please contact: lourdes.enquiries@dioceseofleeds.org.uk. Date for your diary: Saturday 8th June Pre-departure Mass 11.30am Leeds Cathedral.

Medjugorje Youth Festival:

31st July - 7th August for further details go to: www.aglowpilgrimages.com or call Katherine on 01423 734828 for more information. All are welcome to enjoy this amazing opportunity for fun, friendship, singing and worship to come closer to Jesus.

Flame 2025:

The largest Catholic youth event in England and Wales. Join thousands of young people for a day of music, prayer, worship, talks from great speakers and much more at Wembley Arena, London, Saturday 15th March 2025! £70 per person (including return coach travel). Email youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk to book yours!

The Catholic Schools Appeal Service:

are recruiting panel members to hear appeals by parents for Diocesan school places. Voluntary role. Travel expenses can be claimed and full training will be provided. Appeal panels consist of lay members of the community and those from an educational background. The training session will be held on Thursday 16th May, 1.00pm- 4.00pm, Hinsley Hall. For further information, please contact education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Rediscover Your Marriage:

Retrouvaille offers you the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving marriage relationship. Contact 07887 296983 or retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com, or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

New Collection Envelopes:

The new boxes are available downstairs - collect yours!

Catholic Care Trustees Vacancies:

Catholic Care is recruiting new Trustees to increase the breadth of knowledge and experience on its established Board of Trustees. Applicants with experience of property management are particularly welcome. For further information and if you are interested in applying, please visit www.catholic-care.org.uk.