

Welcome to
St. Joseph's Catholic Church
Bilton, Harrogate

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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 15th June 2025	**The Most Holy Trinity**	
	4:30-5:00pm	Confessions
	5:30pm (Saturday)	Mass: The Molloy Family
	8.00am	Mass: People of the Parish
	11:00am	Mass: Ann Norra Doyle (Birthday Ann)
Tuesday 17th June	**Weekday in OT (Week 11)**	
	No Mass here at St Joseph's	
Wednesday 18th June	**Weekday in Ordinary Time**	
	No Mass here at St Joseph's	
Thursday 19th June	**St Romuald**	**Abbot**
	9:30am	Mass: P K Varushese Eiavumkal (LD)
Friday 20th June	**St Alban**	**Protomartyr of England**
	9:30am	Mass: Holy Souls
Saturday 21st June	**First Holy Communion Day**	
	11:00am	Mass: Holy Souls
	1:30pm	Mass: Private Intention
Sunday 22nd June	**Corpus Christi**	
	4:30-5:00pm	Confessions
	5:30pm (Saturday)	Mass: Paul Stackhouse (A)
	8:00am	Mass: People of the Parish
	11:00am.	Mass: Jenny Roberts (Birthday Ann)
	12:30pm	Baptism of Ezra Joseph Cannon-Smith

APF Mill Hill Red Mission Boxes
Contact: Liz Walker 07816 288125

Bereavement Support
Contact Fr Ben who will arrange for a member of the Bereavement Support team to contact you.

Brownies
Wednesday evenings in term-time 6.00pm - 7.15pm
Contact: 3rdbiltonbrownies@gmail.com

Catenians
Second Tuesday, 7.30pm at St Robert's
Club/Centre: Contact: John Tolan 01423 884690

Children's Liturgy Group
Contact: *Pending Appointment*

Choir: 11am Mass
Contact: Gill Crowther 01423 817885

Church Cleaning Teams (More Volunteers Needed!)
Contact: Valerie Clemerson 07815 976912

Church Flower Team
Contact: Helen Fletcher 01423 525216

Church Tea & Coffee Team (11am 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 Ben 01423 504124

Parish Hall Bookings
Contact: Elaine Flanagan 07791 500359
elaineflanagan184@btinternet.com

Piety Stall
Contacts: Helen Fletcher 07837 928851
Cathy Hudson 07790 814819

Rotas (Counters) Contact: Liz King 07771 711714

Rotas (Eucharistic Ministry)
Contact: Bradley Gotting 07985 515307
b.gotting@sky.com

Rotas (Readers)
Contact: Paul Fletcher 01423 525216

Safeguarding Representative (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

SVP Contact Number: 07350 857356

Readers (and Eucharistic Ministers) at Mass

This Weekend: 14th & 15th June (Trinity Sunday)
Vigil: C Antram, C Devlin (P & E Durbin)
8.00am: G Turner, M Hardacre (V Burdon, M Hardacre)
11.00am C Antram, H Fletcher (Paul Evans, A Roberts)

Next Weekend 21st & 22nd June (Corpus Christi)
Vigil: R Currie, J Cooper (M Flanagan, P Rochester)
8.00am: A Hainsworth, A Leckenby (J Tweddle, J Walker)
11.00am: A Player, P Onuorah (C Hudson, Pam Evans)

Children's Liturgy: We are once again appealing for volunteers to join the liturgy team. Previous appeals have not generated any interest. We are now considering whether Children's Liturgy is a viable activity. I'm sure you all agree that the children enjoy their time and benefit greatly from learning about the Gospel in a child friendly way. However, we need your help. Initially all we require are volunteers who can help the younger children with their work. You will not be required to do any teaching unless you volunteer as a leader. Please give this appeal your considered attention and speak to either Alicia Player or Fr Ben after the 11am Mass. You can also contact Alicia on 07804 604948.

Offertory Collection: Loose plate & Envelope: £322.48 Standing Orders & Dona (weekly average) £710. Retiring Collection for the retired priests of the diocese £241.79 in loose plate and envelopes. Cash from Piety Stall £120.00. Thank you.

First Holy Communion Day 2025: This Saturday, with two Masses at 11:00am and 1:30pm. Please keep our children, their families and their catechists in your prayers.

Parish Centenary Celebration Group: next meeting on Wednesday 25th June at 7:45pm in the Hall. All welcome, even if you haven't been before. Further meeting on 9th July @ 7:45pm

Significant Dates for your Diaries (Re Church Centenary)
Centenary Mass. 5:30pm Saturday 26th July, celebrated by Bishop Marcus. Social event after Mass.
Centenary Week: 26th July to 3rd August 2025.
Heritage Open Days: 12th-21st September. A national scheme during which the Church will be open for visitors.

Parish Centenary Celebrations July 2025: As part of these celebrations the Parish intends to have a display of events of the past 100 years. Photographs, articles or memoirs of family occasions such as baptisms, weddings, First Holy Communions, Confirmations or Ordinations would be welcome. If possible, please send digital copies, however, hard copies are acceptable: Submission of material indicates permission has been given for display purposes. Please submit digital copies to: patsyrochester10@gmail.com
For hard copies, please put in an envelope complete with the contact details and leave these in the marked box near the Church entrance. Many thanks for your help.

St Joseph's Parish SVP Conference: There was an appeal for new members of the parish SVP Conference a couple of weekends ago. There have been several people who have expressed an interest, and we now begin the formal application process with them. Things are looking promising. The next SVP meeting for anyone interested in joining will be on Tuesday 17th June at 7:30pm in the Parish Hall.

Smell the Roses – A tasting tour of European Rosés: You are invited to a friendly wine tasting and wine quiz evening organised by Harrogate Catenians in the Church Hall. Taste and enjoy 7 European Rosé wines with a finger buffet supper: soft drinks and beer will also be available. Saturday 28th June 7:00pm (After Vigil Mass) to 10pm. Tickets £20. Contact John Tweddle on 07836 271646 to book your places.

Silver Swans Ballet Sessions: In St Joseph's Church Hall every Thursday from 10:30-11:30am. £7 per session. Silver Swans teachers are trained specifically to teach a range of abilities and people over 55. These open, accessible and low impact classes are set to beautiful classical music. Contact Mary Fielding 07970 962341 or Michelle Vink 07739 975000

The Jubilee of Governments: Bishop Marcus will lead a Service of Thanksgiving in Leeds Cathedral for politicians and those in public life from across the Diocese on Saturday 21st June at 2pm. If you are a Member of Parliament, a Local Councillor, or former MP or Councillor, or involved in local government, you are warmly invited to attend. Please email office.cathedral@dioceseofleeds.org.uk to confirm your attendance.

Catholic Care Garden Party: Please join Catholic Care at their Head Office in Headingley on Sunday 13th July for their Summer Garden Party. Enjoy an afternoon of games, delicious refreshments, stalls and more, all in support of their charity. A perfect opportunity to enjoy some sun, connect and make a difference.

Stop Assisted Suicide: Sign the local petition. Only 28 MPs need to change their minds to defeat the Leadbeater Assisted Suicide Bill on Friday 20th June – several have already done so. Sign the petition to your local MP to stop the Bill. Please take action now and sign the petition. www.righttolife.org.uk/petitions It just takes thirty seconds!

St Joseph's School PTFA: St Joseph's Catholic Primary School PTFA community is important to us and we welcome the support of those around us. Are you a friend, relative, member of the Church or wider community and would like to volunteer some time to help the PTFA with fundraising and events? Parents, Carers and Teachers are automatically part of the PTFA, but we are now delighted to accept registration as "Friends" from our community and parish. Please get in touch, we would love to hear from you.

St Joseph's School Family Fun Day: Sunday 6th July 2025: In previous years the parish has hosted a tombola and plant stall at the Fun Day and also offered a hot drinks stall. The proceeds of these stalls would come to the parish. Would anyone be prepared to take this on? Fairly short notice, I'm afraid, and that, I admit is my fault.

Holding Hope – Online Reflection: Leeds Diocese older people's charity **Growing Old Grace-*fully*** is hosting an hour long Zoom reflection exploring how to hold on to Christian hope as we journey through life. Led by Paula Shanks and Mgr Donal Lucey. All welcome. To book a place, please email: growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Marriage Help: Retrouvaille helps couples find hope and healing for their marriage. Next date: 20th-22nd June. Tel 07887 296983. www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Encountering Jesus Anew Through the Gospels and Mass: 6-day Preached Retreat led by Fr John Farrell OP at the Briery, Ilkley from 22nd-28th July. Residential and non-residential places available. For more information and to book, see the poster downstairs or contact 01943 607287 or admin@briery.org.uk

Folk Concert: If you enjoy live music and would like to support our local hospice, there is a Folk Concert at St Robert's Club in Harrogate on Friday 4th July at 7pm. Several local musicians are playing including Steamtown, a lively Americana duo who are in high demand. The debate about the euthanasia bill has highlighted the importance of funding good palliative care and all ticket sales go directly to St Michael's Hospice. Tickets available here: https://saintmichaelshospice.org/supporting_events/folk-concert-ft-steamtown

One & Three Peaks Challenge in Support of St Patrick's Mission: On Saturday August 9th, St Patrick's Mission will be hiking the Yorkshire Three Peaks to support their ongoing ministry in Bradford City Centre. We are grateful for anyone who would like to kike with us, or who would like to volunteer to help on the day or simply donate to the cause! To sign up, https://www.stpatricksmission.co.uk/event/one-and-three-peak-challenge or to donate: https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/spm-peaks25

Family & Social Group Stays at Castlerigg in August: Castlerigg Manor is a Catholic residential youth centre in the Lake District and its opening its doors to family and social groups this August. There are single rooms, twin rooms and large family rooms at very cheap rates. Guests have access to the grounds, chapel, games room, and lounges, with Keswick and the Lakes only a short walk away. For more information: director@castleriggmanor.co.uk or www.castleriggmanor.com/open

News From the School: We were thrilled to share the outcome of our recent Ofsted inspection, which resulted in a very positive report. This is a fantastic recognition of the hard work, dedication, and commitment shown by our whole school community—staff, pupils, governors, parents and carers, and of course, you, our parish. Thank you for your continued support; it truly makes a difference.

This week, Year 6 took part in the Brownlee Foundation Triathlon, showing great determination and team spirit. A group of our Year 6 pupils also enjoyed a visit to the Friendship Group, where they shared stories and smiles across generations – building lovely connections within our wider community.

Year 3 and Year 5 enjoyed an exciting outdoor adventure during their trip to Nell Bank, Ilkley.

We were also visited by Your Harrogate Radio, who interviewed some of our Year 5 and 6 pupils. Tune in at 7:30am and 8:30am to hear our children proudly sharing what makes our school so special as we are featured as their School of the Week!

As part of our Centenary Celebrations all the pupils from Year 6 will be undertaking a mini-pilgrimage on Wednesday 18th June. We will begin with a reflection in St Joseph's Church, then make our way to the Cenotaph, stopping to pray a decade of the Rosary for world peace. We will continue on to St Robert's Church where we will attend the Midday Mass. This is a lovely opportunity for parishioners and the school to come together. Please join us if you are able: we depart from school at 09:15.