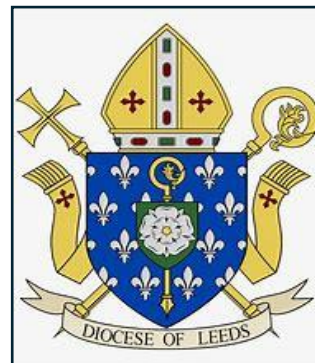




Welcome to St. Joseph's Catholic Church Bilton, Harrogate



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 22nd June 2025

Corpus Christi

4:30-5:00pm
 5:30pm (Saturday)
 8.00am
 11:00am
 12:30pm

Confessions
 Mass: Paul Stackhouse (A)
 Mass: People of the Parish
 Mass: Jenny Roberts (Birthday Ann)
 Baptism of Ezra Joseph Cannon-Smith

Monday 23rd June

6:00pm

Reception of Alan Leslie Wright

Tuesday 24th June

Birth of St John the Baptist

2:00pm
 7:00pm

Requiem Mass for Alan Leslie Wright
 Mass: Holy Souls

Wednesday 25th June

Weekday in Ordinary Time

9:30am

Mass: Holy Souls

Thursday 26th June

Weekday in Ordinary Time

9:30am

Mass: Holy Souls

Friday 27th June

Sacred Heart of Jesus

9:30am

Mass: Holy Souls

Saturday 28th June

Immaculate Heart of Mary

No Morning Service at St Joseph's

11:00am Ordination of Philip Thornley at Leeds Cathedral

Sunday 29th June

Ss Peter & Paul

4:30-5:00pm
 5:30pm (Saturday)
 8:00am
 11:00am.

Apostles
 Confessions
 Mass: Joanne & Alan Collins (RIP)
 Mass: People of the Parish
 Mass: Victoria Louise Mettham (A)

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: 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)

Next Weekend 28th & 29th June (Ss Peter & Paul)

Vigil: P Rochester, P Durbin (D Olszewski, P Durbin)

8.00am: C Currie, D Bovo (A Hainsworth, V Burdon)

11.00am: J Tweddle, M Smith (B Gotting, P Fletcher)

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: £435.39
Standing Orders & Dona (weekly average) £710. Retiring Collection for Day For Life £174.93 in loose plate and envelopes. Donation from Buona Notizia (Italian Community) £100. Proceeds of Gloria's Plant Sale £312.20. Thank you.

Retiring Collection next weekend is the annual **Peter's Pence** collection to help Pope Leo respond to charity appeals.

First Holy Communion Day 2025: Congratulations to all our children who made their First Holy Communions here yesterday, and a huge thank you to their catechists and all who were involved in preparing the celebrations.

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. Contact 07350 857356 if interested in joining.

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 97500

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.

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.

Leeds Cathedral Guided Tours: Free guided tours will take place on the following dates, starting at 1:30pm; Saturday 12th July and Saturday 23rd August. The tours last about an hour. No booking required. On arrival, please gather by the Baptismal Font at the back of the Cathedral.

Friends of The Briery Summer Fayre: Sunday 20th July 2-4:00pm. You are invited to enter the beautiful house and grounds of The Briery for an afternoon of fun and entertainment. Receive a glass of fizz on arrival, browse and shop at the many stalls; craft cards. Jewellery, Fairtrade, books, cakes, tombola...and then enjoy a delicious cream tea.

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. Thursday 17th July 7-8:00pm. Led by Paula Shanks and Mgr Donal Lucey. All welcome. To book a place, please email: growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Vacancies: (for more info see notice downstairs)

- 1) **Institute of Our Lady of Mercy, Yeadon:**
 - a) **Human Resources Administrator:** Full-time, permanent. Salary circa £25K + benefits
 - b) **Senior Finance Officer:** Full time, initially for one year, but envisaged to become permanent. Salary £35-37K + benefits
- 2) **Notre Dame Sixth Form College, Leeds:**
Apprentice assistant to Lay-Catholic Chaplain

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.stpatricksmision.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

Appointments/Clergy moves: There are no appointments this summer which directly affect our own Deanery this year. You may like to know however that **Canon James Callaghan:** is retiring this summer. **Fr Steven Billington:** Is moving from Ss Peter & Paul, Wakefield, to take up a secondment as Spiritual Director of the Pontifical Beda College in Rome. **Fr Stephen Webb:** In addition to being Parish Priest in Dewsbury & Batley Carr, will take over as Director of Spiritual Formation of the Clergy from Fr Billington. We wish them all well in their retirement and new appointments.

News From the School: It's been another busy and memorable week in school! Year 6 completed their pilgrimage walk as Pilgrims of Hope, beginning with prayer and reflection at St Joseph's Church, visiting the cenotaph to pray for peace, and finishing with Mass at St Robert's. It was a meaningful journey of faith and gratitude.

A group of Year 6 also completed their Bikeability training this week, developing their road safety awareness and confidence when cycling on and around roads.

Year 3 led a fantastic assembly all about their trip to Nell Bank, where they brought their learning about the Stone Age to life—thank you to everyone who came to support them!

Throughout the week, every class took part in National Sports Week, enjoying daily activities to stay active, healthy, and have fun together. A particular highlight was the Sponsored Bounce-a-thon—lots of energy, laughter, and generous fundraising for the PTFA. Thank you for your continued support!