

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

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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 8th June 2025	**Pentecost Sunday**	
	4:30-5:00pm	Confessions
	5:30pm (Saturday)	Mass: The Wright Family
	8.00am	Mass: People of the Parish
	11:00am	Mass: Georgina McCaul (A)
Tuesday 10th June	**Weekday in OT (Week 10)**	
	7:00pm	Mass: Kathleen Mclean (LD)
Wednesday 11th June	**St Barnabas**	**Apostle**
	9:30am	Mass: Holy Souls
Thursday 12th June	**Our Lord Jesus Christ Eternal High Priest**	**Feast**
	9:30am	Mass: Eugene Maturi (A)
Friday 13th June	**St Anthony of Padua**	**Priest & Doctor of the Church**
	9:30am	Mass: Holy Souls
Saturday 14th June	**Weekday in Easter**	
	9:30am	Mass: Holy Souls
Sunday 15th June	**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 (Birth Anniv)

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
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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: 7th & 8th June (Pentecost Sunday)
Vigil: E Durbin, M Gargan (M Flanagan, D Olszewski)
8.00am: A Keith, C Currie (J Tweddle, J Walker)
11.00am M Smith, P Fletcher (A-M Perry, B Gotting)

Next 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)

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: £369.31 Standing Orders & Dona (weekly average) £710. Retiring Collection for Catholic Communications £188.53 in loose plate and envelopes. Thank you.

Retiring Collection today: Sunday 8th June for the **Retired Priests of the Diocese.**

Plant Sale outside Church: Now recovered from her sponsored swim, Gloria Lorenzo will hold a plant sale outside church this Sunday after both Masses, with funds going to the Centenary Fund. Gloria also says that if people wish to donate and request a family tree to be planted, she will try and source it for them.

Parish Centenary Celebration Group: next meeting on Wednesday 11th June at 7:45pm in the Hall. All welcome, even if you haven't been before.

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.

Priestly Vocations Meeting: Following on from the Bishop's Pastoral Letter last weekend, this is a reminder that any man who is even remotely thinking about a vocation to the priesthood is invited to meet with Bishop Marcus and members of the Vocations Promotion Team. Hinsley Hall, Pentecost Sunday, 8th June lasting about an hour from 2:00pm including prayers, talks, Q&A. Under 18s must be accompanied by parent/guardian. Any initial questions to Fr Simon Lodge: simon.lodge@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

The Table Top Sale: which was due to take place next weekend had to be cancelled as only seven people came forward to hire a table for the sale.

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.

Parish Centenary Celebrations July 2025: As part of these celebrations the Parish intend to have a display of events of the last 100 years. Photographs, articles or memoirs of family occasions such as Baptisms, weddings, First Holy Communion, Confirmation 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 any display purposes. Please submit digital copies to: patsyrochester10@gmail.com
For Hard copies, please put in an envelope complete with contact details and leave these in the marked box at the Piety Stall. Many thanks for your help.

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

Finding God in all Things: Praying with Ignatius of Loyola: A day to explore Ignatian Spirituality through scripture, prayer and reflection. £35pp to include all resources and refreshments and a two-course lunch. 12th June at the Briery, Ilkley. To book, contact 01943 607287 or admin@briery.org.uk

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 Sevice 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.

Catholic History Day: The annual York Catholic History Day takes place on Saturday 14th June at The Bar Convent, York. For more details go to https://dioceseofleeds.org.uk/york-catholic-history-day-2025/

Doorways of Hope (Online Event): Leeds Diocese older people's charity **Growing Old Grace-*fully*** is hosting a programme of 3 hour-long online events on the theme of hope, to be led by Paula Shanks and Mgr Donal Lucey. Date: Thursday 10th July (evening). To book a place or for more information 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

First Holy Communions 2025: Parents will have received an email regarding the revised schedule for Catechesis in preparation for their child's First Holy Communion.
Thursday 12th June: 15:30-16:45 in Mrs Keith's class in school.
First Holy Communion Day: Saturday 21st June 2025 with two Masses at 11am and 1:30pm.

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 aat 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

News From the School: It's been another joyful and faith-filled week at school. We have received many beautiful and thoughtful entries for the Centenary Prayer Competition, and we look forward to sharing these with the Centenary Team. The children's reflections have been truly moving and filled with hope. Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 have been loving their Secret Readers—a special initiative where family members visit to share a favourite book with the class. Thank you to all who have taken part so far! Year 6 began their swimming lessons this week and also led fantastic Well-being Clubs for younger pupils—showing just how respectful, nurturing, and encouraging they are. We continue to be proud of our children and the way they grow in faith, kindness, and confidence each 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.

Vacancies: Faith Formation Officer (in the Diocesan Vicariate for Education), Children & Young People's Ministry Coordinator (Our Lady & All Saints, Otley), and Catholic Care Recruitment for the Children's Residential Home in Keighley. Details of vacancies are downstairs.