

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

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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 31st May 2026	**Trinity Sunday**	
	4:30-5:00pm (Saturday)	Confessions
	5:30pm (Saturday)	Mass: Holy Souls
	8:00am	Mass: Holy Souls
	11:00am	Mass: People of the Parish
	12:30pm	Baptism of Ezekiel Alistair Bray
Tuesday 2nd June	**Ss Marcellinus & Peter Martyrs**	
	7:00pm	Mass:
Wednesday 3rd June	**Ss Charles Lwanga & Comp Ugandan Martyrs**	
	9:30am	Mass: Donor's Intention
Thursday 4th June	**Weekday in Ordinary Time**	(9th Week in Ordinary Time)
		Mass: Holy Souls
Friday 5th June	**9:15am**	**Bishop & Martyr**
		Mass: Holy Souls
	St Boniface	
Saturday 6th June	9:30am	
		Mass: FHC Mass: Group 1
	First Holy Communion Day	Mass: FHC Mass: Group 2
	11:00am	
Sunday 7th June	1:30pm	
		Confessions
		Mass: Holy Souls
	Corpus Christi	Mass: People of the parish
	4:30-5:00pm (Saturday)	Mass: Jenny Robert (Birthday Ann)
	5:30pm (Saturday)	
	8:00am	
	11:00am	

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

Bereavement Support: Please contact Father Ben

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: Alicia Player

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 –3:00pm.
Contact: Tracy Wilby 07395 877187

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
Contact: Helen Fletcher 07837 928851

Rotas (Counters) Contact: J. Gibson 07905 993103

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: 30th & 31st May (Trinity Sunday)
Vigil: P Allinson, Volunteer (E Durbin, M Gargan)
8.00am: Volunteer, J Walker (Volunteer J Walker)
11.00am: A Roberts, A Player (A-M Perry, A Roberts)
Counters: Rich & Jean Gundich

Next Weekend: 6th & 7th June (Corpus Christi)
Vigil: M Gargan, R Currie (see new rota)
8.00am: D Bovo, A Keith (see new rota)
11.00am: S Butters, J Tweddle (see new rota)
Counters: Bernadette Oakes

Join Bishop Marcus in praying for Vocations: Our Lady of Unfailing Hope! Pray that the Lord of the Harvest will send labourers into his harvest and that He will grant an abundance of vocations to the priesthood, the Permanent Diaconate and the Religious Life within the Diocese of Leeds and throughout the world. Amen!

Offertory Collection: Loose plate and envelope £500.26 Weekly average direct to bank & Dona £910. Votives £32.00, Flowers £10.07, Coffee £21.90. Also 50% of the profits from the recent "Night at the Opera" £531.50.Thank you.

Dona Machine: We have now got a new Dona machine which is up and running, so you can make your offertory and retiring collections, or make donations to the parish via the machine.

First Holy Communion Day: Saturday 6th June 2026, with Masses at 11am and 1:30pm**.** At the Sunday Mass the children will receive their Certificates, and one child will actually make their FHC at the Sunday Mass.

Children's Liturgy: There will be **NO** Children's Liturgies at the 11am Masses on 7th and 14th June.

LGBT+ Outreach Ministry: Middlesbrough Diocese. Masses giving an explicit welcome to LGBT+ Catholics, their families, and friends, take place at 3pm on the **second Sunday** of each month in the Chapel of the **Bar Convent, York** (17, Blossom Street, YO24 1AQ) just outside Micklegate Bar, 5 minutes' walk from York Railway Station, car parking nearby. Followed by refreshments. See our website for other social activities. **All are welcome.** Website: lgbtmiddlesbroughcatholic.org.uk
Facebook: facebook.com/lgbtcatholic

Chapel of Our Lady of the Crag, Knaresborough: We are a small group of local people who hold the Chapel of Our Lady of the Crag in Trust. We are in need of more trustees, gardeners, volunteers and fundraisers to help us in our mission to keep this unique site open for visitors. Donations of plants and money towards our long-term preservation projects would also be welcomed. The Chapel is now open 2-4pm (provided the weather is clement) until the end of September and by appointment at other times. We look forward to your visit. Please see the website for more details: wwwourladyofthecrag.org/

Eucharistic Ministry at 8am Sunday Mass: As so few people receive Holy Communion under both kinds at this Mass it has been suggested that we only have one chalice at this Mass. Since we have only five Eucharistic Ministers at this Mass this is what will do from when the new Eucharistic Ministers rota comes into force.

Italian Summer Fiesta: Will take place in St Joseph's Parish Hall from 12noon to 3pm on Sunday 7th June. **All welcome** to join in a celebration of all things Italian, with food, entertainment, music, games and good fun for all.

How to Read St Paul: A short course led by Fr Mark Jarmuz, will look at St Paul's life and letters, exploring what we can learn about the man and his teachings for our Faith. Ss John Fisher & Thomas More parish hall, Bradford Rd, Burley-in-Wharfedale, LS29 7PX. Dates Wednesdays 7-8:30pm 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th June. To book Email mark.jarmuz@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Healthy eating information and exercise sessions: New for June. Catholic Care's Nutrition Advisor & Coach will be running sessions on healthy eating & exercise sessions in St Joseph's Parish Hall every Wednesday from 17th June from 11am to 12noon. The sessions are for those who are wanting to find out more about healthy eating and may have questions about nutrition. If you would like to find out and more about these sessions please contact Ingrid Fernandes on 07540 047973. This is a pilot course for 4 weeks and so is free of charge.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 3rd-9th July 2026. The booking process is now open. They can be made online at https://www.tagney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-leeds/ You can also phone Tagney Tours direct on 01732 886666. Information also available at the back of Church.

Leeds International Organ Festival: Join us at Leeds Cathedral. Mondays until 13th July at 1:15pm. Free entry. Features a series of recitals by outstanding organists from across the UK. For more info visit https://www.leedsiof.org/home

York Catholic History Day 2026: The York Catholic History Day takes place at the Bar Convent in York on Saturday 6th June. The programme begins at 10:30am, with registration from 10am. More information can be found at https://www.crs.org/york-catholic-history-day

Catholic Care Garden Party: Join us on Sunday 19th July 12:30pm at Catholic Care Head Office for our Summer fundraiser. Enjoy live music from Voices of Yorkshire, a BBQ, games, raffles, cakes and more. Browse our clothes and book sale, try henna and relax with friends and family. Free entry and all proceeds support Catholic Care's vital work in the local community.

Furness Music Choir: An evening of contemporary and classical music at the Cairn Hotel, Harrogate on Saturday 18th July at 7:30pm. Proceeds go to support the work of the Samaritans. Families welcome, raffle and prizes. Tickets are free, but for them please email harrogate.fundraising@samaritans.org

Silver Swans Ballet Sessions: In St Joseph's Church Hall every Thursday 10:30-11:30am. £7 per session. Silver Swans teachers are trained 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 975500

Marriage Support: If you are just in a rut or for more serious issues Retrouville could be the solution. www.retrouville.org.uk or phone 07973 380443

Latest Vacancies: in the Diocese, our Diocesan Schools, Catholic Care, and the Catholic School for the Deaf at Boston Spa are available to be seen downstairs above the table next to the entrance into the building.

Chaplaincy Volunteers at Fountains Abbey: An appeal for volunteers from our parish to join the Fountains Abbey Chaplaincy Team. They will have an important role in ensuring the continuity of the very successful annual Mass at the Abbey. The parish was represented by John Hough (RIP) for many years, and John Tweddle has just been commended for being with the Volunteer Chaplaincy Team for 15 years. Any volunteers would be most welcome. Please get in touch with John Tweddle if interested in helping either with the Volunteer Chaplaincy or the annual Mass. Telephone John Tweddle on 07836 271646

Fountains Abbey Mass 2026: Will take place this year on **Tuesday 14th July (**for the Feast of St Benedict) This year St John Fisher CHS Band and Choir will provide the music and singing, with Fr Stephen Webb as the Principal Celebrant. More information to come. This is just to get the date in your diaries.

Deanery Day of Renewal: Saturday 13th June, 11:30am-3:45pm in St Aelred's Church Hall, Woodlands Drive, Harrogate, HG2 7BE. The speaker is Rev Michelle Lepine. The title of her talk is "Repair Shop – the power of Jesus to restore us." All welcome. Bring a packed lunch.

Individually Guided 8 Day Retreat: 4th-13th August. Spend time in comfort and contemplation, with daily one-to-one time with your spiritual director and collective worship. Requested offering £872pp fully inclusive, £675 for 6 day option. For more information and to book, contact the Administrator at The Briery Retreat Centre, 38, Victoria Avenue, Ilkley, LS29 9BW before 26th June. Tel: 01943 607287 or admin@briery.org.uk

Fire to the Earth!. 6 Day preached retreat: Led by Fr Eamonn Mulcahy CSSp from 10th-16th June at The Briery, Ilkley. See notice downstairs for more information, or contact the Briery on tel: 01943 607287 or email: admin@briery.org.uk

Leeds Cathedral Annual Forty Hours Devotion: will take place from 6pm on Friday 12th June until 8:45am on Sunday 14th June. There will be a short indoor Procession at the end of the 11am Mass on the Sunday, followed by Solemn Benediction.

News from the School: The School have been on their well-earned half-term break this past week, so there is no "News from the School" this week. I'm sure it was a great relief to all not to have been in the classrooms with the temperatures that were reached last week! The children now return for the last couple of months before the Summer Holidays. Hopefully you all had a good break and are ready to return with new vigour. Please keep everyone involved with the school in your prayers.