

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year B – 4th February 2018

St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Bilton, Harrogate

Sunday 4th February 2018

6:30pm	Saturday (Vigil) Intention: Paul Mills(A) Reader: Elizabeth Tyszka
8:00am	Sunday Mass Intention: People of the Parish Reader: Teresa Carmody
11:00am	Sunday Mass Intention: Neil Wadsworth Readers: Frank Naughton & Mark Smith



Monday 5th February 2018

Feast:

Intention:

No Mass

Readers at Mass - next week

Saturday (Vigil): Alicia player

Sunday 8.00am: Leonard Hulme

Sunday 11:00am: Anne Roberts & Janet Morrow

Tuesday 6th February 2018

Feast: *St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs*

Intention: Sheila Goodchild

9:30am Mass

Devotion

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament before each Mass.

Rosary recited after each Mass.

Wednesday 7th February 2018

Feast:

Intention: Jack Blackburn

9:30am Mass

Confessions

5.30pm – 6.00pm

Saturday evening or by appointment.

Thursday 8th February 2018

(HMP Wetherby Young Offenders)

Chaplaincy

No Mass

Marriage and Baptism

By appointment and after preparation. Marriages require a minimum of 6 month notice.

Please remember in your prayers:

Those who are sick: Jean Harston, James Mularkey, Georgina McCaul, Baby Elspeth Morris, Gemma Smith, Alex & Mary Hobson, Father Angelo, Monsignor Philip Holyroyd, Jacqueline Scruton, Carol Wood, Arthur Thompson, Mary Hammond.

Those who have died: Anne (Nan) Hennigan

Friday 9th February 2018

Feast:

Intention: Foundation Mass

9:30am Mass

Parish Priest: Rev. Father Neil Byrne

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This weekend there is a Pastoral Letter from the Bishop which is to be read at all Masses.

Salford Catentians: Members of the Salford Circle of the Catentians will join us at the 11am Mass this weekend.

Lenten Project 2018. For this year's Lenten Project we will join with our parish school to support the work of the Little Sisters of the Poor. Today in 31 countries around the world the Little Sisters continue the work begun by their Foundress St Jeanne Jugan, by serving the elderly of the human family *'Making the elderly happy, that is what counts.'* The Little Sisters wish to live out these words of Jeanne Jugan with the help of collaborators and friends. The Sisters also care for the sick priests of our diocese. Special collections will be taken after all Masses on 24th/25th February, 3rd/4th March & 17th/18th March. The Sisters will speak at all Masses over the weekend of 24th/25th February.

We welcome to the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism: Jason Brantley Gulpa who was baptised last weekend. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

Dine at the Deanery: The next Deanery Lunch will be taking place on Wednesday 7th February in the York Room at the St Robert's Centre. For more information or to book your lunch please contact Julia or Kate on (01423) 531490. Please book by 2nd February.

Deanery Day of Renewal 10th February: from 11.30 to 4.00 pm in St Aelred's church hall. There will be a shared table for lunch so please bring a small contribution. For further information please ring Dolores Omand (01423) 870789 or visit our website ccrleeds.org.uk

Standing Order Mandate: -If you would like to give a fixed amount to your parish each month please complete a STANDING ORDER MANDATE, which is available from John Tweddle or Father Neil.

LENT BEGINS A week on Wednesday, the 14th of February will be **ASH WEDNESDAY** when we mark the beginning of Lent with the Blessing and Distribution of Ashes.

Stations of the Cross will follow the 12noon Mass during Lent on Wednesday's. Please come along to this important Lent Devotion. *"We adore you O Christ and we praise you because by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world."*

Lately Dead - Please prayer for the repose of the souls of: Father Bernard Ratlidge & Monsignor John Murphy. Priests of our Diocese. May they rest in peace.

Preparation for Sacraments

Confirmation

First Reconciliation 2018 & First Holy Communion

2019 As you have been previously informed, we have been directed by the Bishop to make changes to our preparation for the sacraments. As a result, there is NO First Holy Communion this year for the children in Year 3. There is however, a course and a service for First Reconciliation (First Confession), which runs through Lent. Children in Year 3 or above who wish to make their First Holy Communion next year when in Year 4, must prepare for and receive the sacrament of Reconciliation first. The date of the session which the children would need to attend is: **Saturday 17th March 2018 – 10am – 3pm.** The service will be on **Thurs. 22nd March 2018 from 6.30pm.**

This year the Confirmation programme is for young people in Years 7 and above. At St Joseph's we are running the course on **Saturday 21st April 2018.** Bishop Marcus has informed the Clergy that each Parish Priest will confirm the candidates from the Parish in their Parish Church on a date during April/May. Confirmation at St Joseph's will be on **Thursday 3rd May 2018 at 7pm.** If you know of any prospective candidates for Confirmation this year, please ask them to write a letter to Father Neil, outlining why they wish to be confirmed. It is essential that Father Neil receives these letters by Sunday 4th February 2018 so that appropriate arrangements can be made regarding accommodation of the group. There will be a meeting for parents on **Sunday 25th February 2018** at 12noon.

Marriage Preparation

Dates are **Thursday 15th February 7pm - 9 pm,** for an Introductory session, and then again on **Saturday 10th March 9.30 am to 4.30pm.** This year we have 4 couples who preparing for Marriage in the Parish and two outside the Parish.

Mass Requests - Please contact Father Neil if you would like to request a Mass to honour someone special to you, for example: anniversary of death, birthday, and sickness.

Charity Gala Dinner: Mark Smith is hosting a charity dinner on the 26th October at the Old Swan Hotel in aid of Kidney Care UK and Organ donation awareness. Tickets are £50 or £500 for a table of ten. This is a black tie three course meal with a drinks reception, DJ and disco, raffle/auction and includes entertainment on the night. We are inviting people or companies to buy tickets/provide prizes/sponsor towards the event or just spread the word. We have excellent publicity for the event already and even the Mayor is attending. Any questions or to get the link for tickets please e-mail mark at markcharitydinner@gmail.com.