

Fifth Sunday of Easter: Year B – 29th April 2018
St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Bilton, Harrogate

Sunday 29th April 2018

6:30pm	Saturday (Vigil) Intention: Peggy & Bill Ratcliffe Reader: Warren Considine
8:00am	Sunday Mass Intention: Anne Teresa Russo Reader: Leonard Hulme
11:00am	Sunday Mass Intention: People of the Parish Readers: Patsy Rochester &



Monday 30th April 2018

Feast

Intention:

No Mass

Tuesday 1st May 2018

Feast: *St Joseph the Worker*

Intention: Kath Cree

9:30am **Mass** *with Year 2 in attendance*

Wednesday 2nd May 2018

Feast:

Intention:

No Mass

Thursday 3rd May 2018

7:00pm **Celebration Mass for Confirmation**

Celebrated by Bishop Marcus

Friday 4th May 2018

Feast:

Intention: Parish Dead List

9:30am **Mass**

Readers at Mass - next week

Saturday (Vigil): Elizabeth Tyszka

Sunday 8.00am: Mark Gargan

Sunday 11:00am: John Tweddle & Grace Foster

Devotion

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament before each Mass.

Rosary recited after each Mass.

Confessions

5.30pm – 6.00pm

Saturday evening or by appointment.

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, Mary Hammond, Marie Lockwood, Emma Tolan, Michael Flynn.

Those who have died:

Parish Priest: Rev. Father Neil Byrne

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Parish Confirmation will be celebrated by Bishop Marcus on **Thursday 3rd May at 7pm** here in the Parish. I hope that many of you will turn up to meet Bishop Marcus and support our young candidates who are to be Confirmed, there are 27 of them. Presentation of Certificates: **Sunday 6th May** during the 11am Mass, followed by a shared table in the Hall. Please keep the candidates, their sponsors and families in your prayers.

Many Thanks to the Catechists who hand on the Faith in our parish so faithfully whether that's with the baptism programme, the First Confession/Holy Communion programme or the Confirmation programme. Your work is much appreciated.

Replacing the Parish Hall Floor. The Diocese has now approved plans to replace the floor in the Parish Hall. The work will take place over the summer holidays and the Hall will be closed for 3 weeks from Monday 30th July to Sunday 19 August. A lot of work has been done to put together a plan to use Parish Volunteers as much as we can to help keep down costs, nevertheless it will still cost £12,000. To help pay for the new floor the Parish is grateful for a grant of £4,500 from The Guild of Our Lady of Ransom, a Charity founded in 1887 to help Parishes in England and Wales. Please remember the 'Ransomers' in your prayers offering special thanks for their generosity. There will be a list for Volunteers on the noticeboard in the church entrance showing what help is needed and when. If you can help move furniture, strip out the old floor and repaint the hall please consider booking some of your time to help with this work.

Health & Safety: In accordance with Diocesan guidelines, the Parish Hall and church has had a Health and Safety check and no significant problems were found due to good management. My thanks go to Elaine Flanagan & John Tweddle for their work regarding Health and Safety. So that all groups using the Hall have clear guidelines and the Parish has redress a new Hire Agreement will be brought forward as soon as practicable. This will be for ALL groups using the Hall.

Dine at the Deanery – hosted by Catholic Care and Supporting Older People: The next Deanery Lunch will be taking place on Wednesday 2nd May 2018 in the York Room at the St Robert's Centre, Robert Street, Harrogate from 12.45pm – 2.15pm. Come along and enjoy lunch while chatting to old friends or making new ones. £5 for Hot Meal, Dessert, Tea or Coffee – booking necessary for catering purposes. For more information or to book your lunch please contact Rachel on 07739 975021. Please book by 30th April. Thank you.

Priest Training Fund collection taken last weekend raised £406.69. Thank you.

Father Angelo: On July 8th 2018, Father Angelo will celebrate his 40th Anniversary of Priesthood. As you know Father Angelo does not have parish of his own and therefore, no parishioners to organise anything for him. That's where we come in. I'm sure you will agree that Father Angelo enjoys coming to St Joseph's and providing cover for me and that we appreciate his time with us. I propose that we hold a collection for him to mark his Ruby Jubilee Anniversary and a celebration 'shared table' in the parish hall. Envelopes will be available shortly for you to make a donation to Father Angelo. There will be a notice on the board asking for people to help organise this celebration.

Regina Caeli Prayer: This prayer will be recited before the 6:30pm and 8am Mass each week and after the 11am Mass on Sundays. It will also be recited before each weekday Mass. The Regina Caeli is a prayer in honour of Our Lady – Mary, the mother of Jesus Christ. Translated from Latin, it means Queen of Heaven. It is traditionally prayed at the end of each day. During Eastertide – from Easter Night to Pentecost – it is prayed three times a day in place of the Angelus, at 6.00am, 12.00 noon and 6.00pm.

Regina Caeli

V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice, Alleluia.
R. For He whom you worthy to bear, Alleluia.
V. He has risen as He said, Alleluia.
R. Pray for us to God, Alleluia.

Holydays of Obligation The Bishops' Conference of England & Wales has decreed the following changes to the observance from 2018: The Ascension, was kept on the Sunday before Pentecost, but from this year, will be celebrated on the Thursday after the 6th Sunday of Easter, that is, 40 days after Easter Sunday. This year, that is Thursday, 10th May.

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 at the back of church, and hand it to Father Neil or John Tweddle..

Gift Aid Declaration -If you are a tax payer and would like to sign up for the Gift Aid scheme so that we can increase your offerings by 25% by claiming tax back from HMRC, please complete the **Gift Aid Declaration**, which is available at the back of church and hand your completed form to Father Neil or John Tweddle.

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.