

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year: C – 24th February 2019

St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Bilton, Harrogate

Sunday 24th February 2019

6:30pm	Saturday (Vigil) Intention: Stanley Molloy Reader: Elizabeth Tyszka
8:00am	Sunday Mass Intention: People of the Parish Reader: Suzanne Ulyett
11:00am	Sunday Mass Intention: Czeslaw Karbowniczek Reader: Anne Roberts & Janet Morrow



Monday 25th February 2019

Feast:

Intention:

No Mass

Tuesday 26th February 2019

Feast:

Intention: Margaret Doherty (Sp. Int)

9:30am **Mass**

Wednesday 27th February 2019

Feast:

Intention:

No Mass

Thursday 28th February 2019

HMP Wetherby Young Offenders

Chaplaincy

No Mass

Friday 1st March 2019

Feast:

Intention: Special Intention: Daley

9:30am **Mass**

Readers at Mass – next week

Saturday (Vigil): Alicia Player

Sunday 8.00am: Teresa Carmody

Sunday 11:00am: Greg Warren

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 Please remember in your prayers:

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

Those who are sick: Jean Harston, Alex Hobson, Father Angelo, Mary Hammond, Marie Lockwood, Emma Tolan, Jenny Brentnall, Terry Mawn, Christine Fletcher

Those who have died:

REMINDER!

Keeping SILENCE in Church! It is good, from time to time, to remind ourselves of the need for more reverence and silence in the church. Perhaps we might come to realise that there are people in the church who need quiet to pray. Above all, let us not forget Who it is we come to the Church to meet: Jesus, present in the Blessed Sacrament. He deserves our 'all' and this includes a spirit of silence and reverence.

Before Mass – pray
During Mass – listen
After Mass – talk

Your Children are Beautiful -we all know this and we appreciate it. But they are children and sometimes it can be a big ask for them to be quiet for an entire hour whilst at Mass. For this reason, cut yourself some slack and rather than fighting to keep them quiet give them some time out at the back of church or in the parish hall.

Catechists' Meeting, Saturday 9 March 2019 The Diocese invites all catechists and those involved in faith formation to a meeting at Hinsley Hall between 10-00am and 1-00pm on Saturday 9 March 2019.. Those interested in attending are encouraged to email gregory.stacey@dioceseofleeds.org.uk.

Church Flowers: It has become necessary to have a voluntary retiring collection each month towards the cost of church flowers. You must all agree that our dedicated team of flower arrangers do a tremendous job in adoring our church, so I ask you, please to support this collection when it is held.

Preparing Children for the Sacraments: We are in need of new Catechists to help with sacramental preparation this coming year. The current team have done this for over 20 years and intend to retire in 2019. It is now time for new helpers to come forward and help. Please think about this very valuable and important role in our parish. Training will be provided. Please contact one of the current team or Father Neil.

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 or a sickness.

A RETREAT WITH A DIFFERENCE: A Foyer de Charité Retreat will be held at Hinsley Hall, the Diocese of Leeds Pastoral Centre, from **Sunday 21st July (6pm) – Saturday 27th July (2pm)**. The theme is God's Plan for the Fullness of Time, and the preacher will be Mgr Keith Bartrop. Foyer retreats are held mainly in silence, with three talks a day, and offer a holistic way of deepening our faith in the Church's teaching and our life in Christ. For further information or to book a place, contact Mgr Bartrop [here](#) or telephone 07879 953953.

Refugee Crisis - In October 2015 his Holiness Pope Francis, called on our generosity and solidarity to recognise and act upon our common humanity in response to the growing refugee crisis. An Appeal was held by way of a retiring collection to support the Diocesan response to the continuing refugee crisis and severe hardship being suffered by our brothers and sisters. Now, in 2019, 4 years on, we need to make a second appeal to support the ongoing work across the Diocese in supporting refugees and asylum seekers, perhaps the most vulnerable and marginalised living in our communities. The appeal will be made and there will be a retiring collection across the weekend of **23rd/24th February**. This is the weekend that Bishop Marcus has identified as being best suited to make this appeal and we hope that you can give it your full support.

Dementia Friends Information Session

Would you like to learn a bit more about dementia, how it affects a person and what you can do to make a difference? Why not come and join us for a Dementia Friends Information Session led by Rachel Beedle (Catholic Care) a Dementia Friends Champion for the Alzheimers Society. The session lasts about an hour and is an informal way to learn more and to begin to work together to create dementia friendly communities. The session will take place on **Tuesday 19th March at 7pm in the Church Hall**. For more information please contact Rachel on 07739 975021 or speak to Father Neil or Teresa Carmody to book your place. Thank you.

Sacramental Programme: First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion & Confirmation 2019

First Holy Communion 2019

A Parents meeting has been arranged for Tuesday 2nd April at 6:30pm in church. Please make every effort to attend.

LOURDES 2019: Calling all doctors, nurses and carers who are interested in being part of our amazing hospitality team on the Leeds Diocesan Pilgrimage 5th – 11th July 2019. There is an information evening taking place at Mount St Mary's School, LS9 8LA **Tuesday 19th March, 7pm**. Please do come along or tell someone about this event.