

Feast of Pentecost Year C – 9th June 2019

St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Bilton, Harrogate

Sunday 9th June 2019

6:30pm	Saturday (Vigil) Intention: Charlie Doherty (A) Reader: Imelda Morritt
8:00am	Sunday Mass Intention: Shelagh O'Boyle Reader: John Warren
11:00am	Sunday Mass Intention: People of the Parish Reader: Anne Roberts & Mark Smith



Monday 10th June 2019

Feast:

Intention:

No Mass

Tuesday 11th June 2019

Feast:

Intention: Sp. Int. Ruth Trollope

9:30am **Mass** *with Year 6 & Reception in attendance*

12noon **Funeral:** Maureen Anne Hennessey

Wednesday 12th June 2019

Feast:

Intention: Georgina McCaul

Mass

Thursday 13th June 2019

HMP/YOI Wetherby Young Offenders)

Chaplaincy

No Mass

Friday 14th June 2019

Feast:

Intention: Christine Fletcher

9:30am **Mass**

Readers at Mass – next week

Saturday (Vigil): Jade Cooper

Sunday 8.00am: Suzanne Ulyett

Sunday 11:00am: Greg Warren & Janet Morrow

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, Mary Hammond, Emma Tolan, Jenny Brentnall, Terry Mawn,

Those who have died:

Today the Feast of Pentecost which brings to an end the Easter season and marks the beginning of the Church's outreach. This is the day when, true to his promise, Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to the apostles. The coming of the Spirit changed the apostles and saw the launching of a new community (the Church). This day renews the gift of the Spirit in each of us and in the Church as a whole.

TODAY: PRIESTS RETIREMENT FUND: The annual diocesan collection for the Retired Priests of the Diocese will be taken after all Masses this weekend (9th & 10th June.) Please be generous in your support.

First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Saturday 29th June at 10:30am and 2pm.

- **Next Preparation Day:** Saturday 15th June from 10am-3pm.
- **Rehearsal:** Friday 28th June, 6pm (First group) and 6:45pm (2nd group).
- Parents please add your name to the list for the First Communion 'Shared Table' Party on Sunday 30th June.

And as we celebrate First Holy Communion with our young ones we are conscious of all our family members, living and dead. This time of year, and especially this celebration, reminds a lot of people about moments in their lives that involved people who are no longer with us. We think especially of those people whom we have lost from our individual and parish family during the last year. But of course, we don't believe that those people are lost to us completely, anymore than we believe Jesus is lost to us when he ascended to heaven. In fact, it is our belief that Jesus is closer to us now than He ever was whilst on earth.

Counters: We could do with a couple of new teams to assist with the weekly collection count – either on Sunday morning after the 11am Mass or during Monday. If you think you could offer some help, please get in touch with Father Neil or John Tweddle.

My last weekend at St Joseph's as your Parish Priest will be 24th/25th August. As I have previously said, 'I have had fourteen happy years here with you and I will be very sad to leave'. I do hope that as many of you will be able to join me that weekend as we say good bye together.

Readers Rota: The new rota is now available. Please collect yours from the notice board outside the sacristy.

St Joseph's Catholic School: There are spare places in the Reception Class for September 2019. If you know of any parents who may be interested, please let them know and to contact the school.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOU PRAYERS all the students in our parish who are beginning to sit exams. We pray for their success and, more importantly, for a deepening sense of the love that God has for them regardless of any eventual grade.

Mass for the Feast of St Benedict at Fountains

Abbey: The Annual Mass for the feast of St Benedict will take place at 12:00 Noon on Thursday 11th July 2019. This year the Mass will be celebrated by Canon James Callaghan, Parish Priest of St Robert's and Dean of the Harrogate Deanery. I hope as many of you as possible will attend. Please see poster for more details.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY -Calling all mums and dads whose children attend Children's Liturgy on a Sunday. The Liturgy Leaders are in need of extra volunteers to help run the administrative side of this important work. It would only involve completing the weekly register during the session and ensuring that any new attendees fill in a consent form. The planning, preparation and delivery of the Liturgy programme means the present volunteers simply do not have the time to oversee the registration process which is a Diocesan Safeguarding requirement. Please think about offering your services for this role as it is a vital part in ensuring the continuing success of the Liturgy Groups. Put simply, if you're not prepared to help then we will not be able to offer this service. Please feel free to approach any of the liturgy leaders to offer your help. Thank you.

The Summer Fair will be held in the school on Friday 5th July from 3.30-5pm. Everyone is welcome to support raising money for the school and Parish. We are asking for good quality donations of toys for the toy stall, rocks suitable for painting and any handmade crafts can also be donated for the crafts stall. Cake donations will also be welcome on the day - deliver to school please. Volunteers are also needed on the day, if you are available to help please contact Caroline Smith or Ailish Whan.

'Gift Aid Tax Letters – Financial Year 2018/19. Tax letters are now available for collection. For Data Protection reasons we cannot leave these for collection from church and they must be sent or given to the donors who need them. John Tweddle has a list built up over the years and will be sending them out to those who need them. If you need a Gift Aid Tax letter for your Tax return please contact John on 01423 523332 or by email johnwtweddle@btopenworld.com and he will be pleased to let you have your letter.'

We welcome to the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism:

- Karina Leimontaite, Gustas Juska and Sofia Smolkyte &
- Oliver James and Isabelle Rose Warren who all were baptised last weekend.

Please remember them and their families in your prayers.