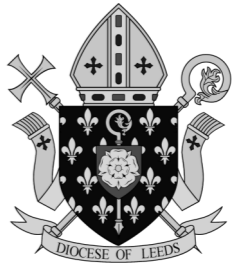




Welcome to St Joseph's Catholic Church Bilton, Harrogate



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"Things have a price, and can be for sale; but people have a dignity which is priceless, and worth far more than things." Pope Francis

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

**** Please Note - as from 8th August face coverings are required to be worn in Church****

Sunday 4th October 2020	Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A	
Please book in advance to attend any of the Masses throughout the week	4.30pm - 5.00pm	Confessions
	5.30pm (Sat Vigil)	Mass (George Daly [Sp Int])
	8.00am	Mass (Donald & Betty MacCormick)
	11.00am	Mass (PARISH)
	2.00pm - 4.00pm	Church Open for Private Prayer & Exposition
Tuesday 6th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
	7.00pm	Mass (Joan Posnett [LD])
Wednesday 7th October	Our Lady of the Rosary	
	9.30am	Mass (Fr Ben Hilton [Sp Int])
Thursday 8th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
	9.30am	Mass (Pauline Simmons [LD])
Friday 9th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
	9.30am	Mass (Daly Family [Sp Int])
Sunday 11th October 2020	Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A	
Please book in advance to attend any of the Masses throughout the week	4.30pm - 5.00pm	Confessions
	5.30pm (Sat Vigil)	Mass (Ruth Trollope [Sp Int])
	8.00am	Mass (PARISH)
	11.00am	Mass (Christine Fletcher & Eddie Hodgson [RIP])
	2.00pm - 4.00pm	Church Open for Private Prayer & Exposition

Please pray for...

Let us bring our prayers into the presence of the Lord of hosts, who promises peace to those who pray.
For all the members of the Church — that we may be thankful for the gift of life (*pause*). Lord, hear us.
For Pope Francis and all the bishops — that they may teach us to value God's gifts (*pause*). Lord, hear us.
For people who worry — that the peace of God may fill them (*pause*). Lord, hear us.
For children beginning their First Reconciliation preparation (*pause*). Lord, hear us.
For all who suffer because of COVID-19 — that God may be close to them (*pause*). Lord, hear us.
For all who are sick at home or in hospital — that they may receive healing in body, mind and spirit (*pause*).
Lord, hear us.
For those who have died, that eternal peace and comfort may be theirs (*pause*). Lord, hear us.
God of hosts, you turn your face to your people: let your grace fill us according to our needs, through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Please remember to turn-off mobile phones before Mass begins...Thank you!

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Joan Posnett (LD); Susannah McDaid (RIP) x2; Christine Fletcher & Eddie Hodgson (RIP); Ted Costar (RIP).

This Weekend:

There will be a retiring collection for Peter's Pence - a collection mandated by the Holy See, which had to be postponed from the period of lock-down. Thank you for your generosity.

First Sacraments Catch-up Programme – First Reconciliation:

We are almost underway - children who attend St Joseph's school should receive their resources at School on Monday - for those who do not attend St Joseph's school, please collect your child's resources from the sacristy in church after any mass this weekend or during the coming week. The online resources will be made available via email over the weekend. The date of First Reconciliation is Saturday 7th November.

November - Month of the Holy Souls

November will soon be upon us, and it is a time when we particularly remember all those whom we have loved but see no longer, all our deceased relations, friends and past benefactors of the Parish.

All Souls Day is celebrated this year on Monday 2nd November, and we shall be offering Mass for all the Holy Souls at 12.00noon and at 7.00pm. At the All Souls Masses we shall remember all our loved ones who have died. Please do come along.

In preparation for the Mass, and for the month of the Holy Souls, I have now made available the Holy Souls envelopes at the back of Church. These are for you to take, and complete with a list of your departed loved ones to remember and add to the "List of the Dead", for whom we shall offer Masses throughout November and the rest of the year, both in the parish and outside the parish. Once you have completed your list, please place it with your offering into the envelope and return it to the Presbytery or else the large wooden collection box on the way into church, as soon as possible. Please remember that these envelopes are for the "List of the Dead / Holy Souls", and not for individual Masses to be offered as is the custom in November each year. Many thanks, Fr Stephen

Face Coverings in Church:

Face coverings became mandatory in Places of Worship from Saturday 8th August 2020. **Parishioners attending churches should bring face coverings with them, and wear them in church so that they cover both mouth and nose, unless they are exempt from doing so.** This is for the good of all who gather in the church for Mass as it is an enclosed public space where there are people from differing households who they do not normally meet.

Statement on the development of a COVID-19 vaccination:

The Bishops' Conference Department for Social Justice has released a statement on the development of a vaccine against COVID-19.

It addresses ethical matters surrounding the development and distribution of a vaccine such as cell-lines which have their origin in tissues taken from human foetal tissue, as well as issues that may arise

from testing, consent and justice.

"Catholics have a responsibility to voice their concerns about the origin of vaccines and argue that research and funding should be directed to sourcing a vaccine in an ethically sound way. If this is not possible, many Catholics and others will experience moral distress when faced with a choice of rejecting vaccination, either for themselves or their children, with its serious and life-threatening consequences, or seeming to be complicit in abortion. We hope that the government will ensure that ethically sourced vaccines are also available."

The statement stresses that a vaccine should be welcomed not only for the sake of the individual but for the good of society – especially the most vulnerable:

"Catholic teaching protects the good of every life and the health of all and teaches that one must not do harm to another. A vaccine will seek to protect the whole of society from this virulent virus. Individuals should welcome the vaccine not only for the sake of their own health but also out of solidarity with others, especially the most vulnerable."

Alcohol(ism?) Alcoholics Anonymous:

A.A. Harrogate available to all through lockdown and beyond - join us and find out more on Wednesday November 18th 2pm-3.45pm. Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship offering help to anyone with a desire to stop drinking. Maybe their life has become unmanageable or worse through excessive drinking? Perhaps they have begun to recognise unhealthy use of alcohol damaging themselves and relationships at home or at work? Our forum is designed to help understand more about A.A.; what we have to offer and how we can help those with a problem with alcohol. There will be shares from local A.A. Members with varying periods of sobriety, support for those affected through Alanon and guest keynote speaker - Professor Thomas Baldwin Non-Alcoholic Trustee of Board of Directors Alcoholics Anonymous UK. Meanwhile it would help us tremendously if you would kindly indicate your attendance by emailing harrogate.aa.publicinformation@gmail.com

Online Week of Guided Prayer 5th – 16th October 2020:

Over two weeks there will be online meetings from 7.30pm to 8.15pm covering introductions & different ways of praying. In the Second week you will be expected to commit to a daily time of prayer (about 30 mins) and a daily (30 mins) individual online meeting with a trained prayer guide. Suggested Offering £30. Contact The Briery Retreat Centre Tel: 01943 607287 email: briery@btconnect.com for an application form and full details. Further information can be found at www.briery.org.uk

Catholic Voices Survey-Coronavirus, Church & You

Over 2,500 Catholics were surveyed, between 19th May and the 26th July, about their experiences and attitudes towards lockdown. The team of researchers involved with the survey collaborated with Catholic Voices to produce an in-depth report on the findings of the survey called 'Coronavirus, Church & you'. Discover some of major findings and access the full report at <https://www.catholicvoices.org.uk/survey>.

Booking for Mass Online:

Due to COVID-19, it has become necessary for the parish to operate a registration system, in order for us to reduce the risk of infection for parishioners and visitors. Please make bookings via the parish website: www.stjosephsharrogate.org.uk **If you are booking for two people on one ticket (from the same household) would you please add both forenames in the appropriate box whilst registering for a ticket - this will help Stewards better plan seating should the Mass be busy.**

Before registering to attend Mass, please ensure:

- You do not have any symptoms associated with COVID-19 (e.g. fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, sneezing/runny nose or loss of sense of smell)
- You do not have COVID-19 nor are you awaiting the results from being tested for COVID-19
- You have not been in contact with any known or suspected cases of COVID-19 in the past 14 days
- You have not returned, or been in contact with anyone else who has returned, from overseas in the past 14 days.

We very much look forward to seeing you once again at Holy Mass.

Vacancy - PA to the Chief Operating Officer:

Based at Hinsley Hall. Excellent opportunity for an experienced PA or Executive Assistant to join the Executive Team providing administrative support across our Diocese. Job description available via www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/vacancies. More details from Jo-anne.hughes@dioceseofleeds.org.uk CV with a covering letter may be submitted to recruitment@dioceseofleeds.org.uk at any time before the closing date: **Friday, 23 October 2020.**

Vacancy – St John the Baptist Normanton:

A Head of School is required for January 2021 start. L10-L14. Closing date: 9th October. Interviews: 23rd October. More info: www.bkcat.co.uk/vacancies.

Catholic Care Vacancies:

Head Office, Leeds. Adult Learning Disability Senior Manager. Full Time Salary S.P. 38 – 41 currently £40,760 - £43,662. Closing Date: 5th October 2020.

Based at House of Light. *Registered Manager-Residential Home (Adults with Learning Disabilities)* Full Time Salary S.P. 25 – 30 currently £29,577 - £33,782. Closing Date: 12th October 2020.

For full details and to apply please visit our website www.Catholic-Care.org.uk or call 0113 3885400 to request an application form.

SACRE:

A Catholic Representative is needed on North Yorkshire SACRE: An opportunity has arisen for a Catholic representative to sit on North Yorkshire SACRE (Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education) from January 2021. SACRE is the statutory body that advises the North Yorkshire Local Education Authority on matters connected with Religious Education and Worship in non-Catholic schools. North Yorkshire SACRE consists of members of all the faith communities within the local area and meets at least once per term during school term time usually at County Hall, Northallerton, occasionally at schools within the North Yorkshire area but more recently online. If you are interested in learning about different faith

communities or have a background in education please do consider this role. For more information about the role please contact Mr. Christopher Devanny at chris.devanny@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Autumn Events at St Patrick's Mission, Bradford:

The Franciscan Friars of Renewal based at St Patrick's Mission in Bradford have announced a programme of events for the autumn season. Brief details are given below and more information will be available from the Friars' **facebook** page

Discipleship Days at St Patrick's Mission, (via the Friars' Facebook page) – Mass, a talk, and a holy hour. From 10:00am to 12:00 noon on the third Saturday of each month. More information at

<https://www.facebook.com/StPioFriary/> September 19th; October 17th; November 21st & December 19th.

Bible Study – The Life and Letters of St. Paul:

These sessions will be held at St Patrick's Church on Thursday evenings from 7:00pm until 8:00pm, from September 24th for 9 weeks. More information at <https://www.facebook.com/StPioFriary/>

Saints, Scholars and Spiritual Masters:

We will be offering a series of online talks, "Saints, Scholars and Spiritual Masters", over the next few months. Exploring some of the great figures of Western spirituality with well-known experts, the series is free to attend online. It will take place at 7:30pm on Thursdays, beginning on 3rd September and running through till 10th December. Simply register to receive a link, either online at <https://christianheritagecentre.com/event/saints-scholars-spiritual-masters/> or by email to events@christianheritagecentre.com

Our New Laudato Si' Advocates Promote the Season of Creation:

Our next Diocesan Laudato Si' Mini Pilgrimage through the Myddelton Grange estate in Ilkley to the Calvary is provisionally planned for Saturday 17 October – but as with all events at present, this will be subject to local restrictions and if it is able to go ahead numbers will be limited. To register your interest, please email communications@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Mandatory Second Collections – Autumn 2020:

World Mission Sunday – weekend of 18th October.

Giving to St Joseph's Catholic Parish

Heartfelt thanks to everyone who has continued to support St Joseph's week in and week out, especially those who have made new arrangements to donate towards the continuing work of our parish during these difficult times. It is possible to make your weekly or monthly offerings in several ways:

1. Set-up a Standing Order with your bank or building society. (GAD forms can be downloaded)
2. Make a one-off payment via internet or telephone banking to the Church using the details below: Diocese of Leeds St Josephs Harrogate Sort Code: 40-27-15 Account No: 11017500
3. Use the new text service, to donate £5 text CHURCH BILTON to 70500.
4. Leave a donation (cash or cheque) through the Presbytery letterbox.

Thank you all for your generosity and the support you give to your parish. Bless you all!