



# Welcome to St Joseph's Catholic Church Bilton, Harrogate



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*"Before all else, the Gospel invites us to respond to the God of love who saves us, to see God in others and to go forth from ourselves to seek the good of others." Pope Francis.*

## SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday 5th December 2021**

**Second Sunday of Advent - Year C**



4.30pm - 5.00pm (Sat Eve) Confessions  
5.30pm (Saturday) Vigil Mass (George Daly [RIP])  
8.00am Mass (PARISH)  
11.00am Mass (Terry Mawn [Sp Int])

**Tuesday 7th December**

**St Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor**

7.00pm Mass (Private Intention [PF])

**Wednesday 8th December**

**Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9.30am Mass (Stefan & Eva Nowak [RIP])

**Thursday 9th December**

**Advent Week 2**

9.30am Mass (Elizabeth [Sp Int])

**Friday 10th December**

**Advent Week 2**

9.30am Mass (Liz McCaffrey [Sp Int])

**Sunday 12th December 2021**

**Third Sunday of Advent - Year C**



4.30pm - 5.00pm (Sat Eve) Confessions  
5.30pm (Saturday) Vigil Mass (...)  
8.00am Mass (...)  
11.00am Mass (Burns Family)

### We Pray For...

As we seek to prepare our hearts and our world for the coming of the Lord let us turn to our loving Father:  
For the Church, that all who follow Christ will heed his call to repentance and be ready to greet him when he returns in glory. *(pause) Lord in your mercy...*

For our world, that people will be more willing to share the earth's resources so that the basic needs of all will be met. *(pause) Lord in your mercy...*


For ourselves, that the gift of Christ's presence in the Eucharist may be a constant reminder to us to share our lives with those we meet. *(pause) Lord in your mercy...*

For our own parish community, especially those who are sick, troubled or bereaved, that they will be strengthened by the knowledge of Christ's love. *(pause) Lord in your mercy...*

For refugees, asylum seekers and all who are far from home, that the loving mercy of God will preserve and support them. *(pause) Lord in your mercy...*

For all who have died recently, and all who mourn their loss – that the dead may dwell in the Kingdom of Heaven, and that we may be comforted in our loss. *(pause) Lord in your mercy...*

Heavenly Father, you are our strength and our protection. Open our hearts to your grace and lead us to your Kingdom. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

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

## REGULAR EVENTS & CONTACTS

### APF Red Mission Boxes

Contact: Liz Walker 01423 881061

### Brownies

Wednesday evenings in term-time 6.00pm - 7.15pm  
Contact: 3rdbiltonbrownies@gmail.com

### Catenians

Second Tuesday, 7.30pm at Ascot House Hotel  
Contact: John Tolan 01423 884690

### Childrens' Liturgy Group

Contact: Grace Foster 07515 686662

### Choir (11.00am Mass)

Contact: Gill Crowther 01423 817885

### Church Cleaning Team (More Volunteers Needed!)

Contact: Elaine Flanagan 07791 500359

### Church Flowers Team

Contact: Helen Fletcher 01423 525216

### Church Tea & Coffee Team (when re-started)

Contacts: Anne Roberts 07867788552  
Annemarie Perry 07722091465

### Friendship Group

Tuesday Afternoons in the Hall - 1.30pm - 2.45pm  
Contact: Rachel 07739 975021

### Gift Aid Organiser

Contact: John Tweddle 01423 523332

### Journey in Faith (RCIA)

Tuesdays as announced. (November - Easter)  
Contact: Fr Stephen 01423 504124

### Knights of St Columba

Contact: Jason Aldiss 07976 428198  
jason.aldiss@eandj.co.uk

### Parish Hall Bookings

Contact: Elaine Flanagan 07791 500359  
elaineflanagan184@btinternet.com

### Rotas (Eucharistic Ministry)

Contact: Bradley Gotting 07985 515307  
b.gotting@sky.com

### Rotas (Readers)

Contact: Paul Fletcher 01423 525216

### Safeguarding Representatives (Parish)

Contact: Tony Cullen 07785 252253  
psr.tcullen@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

### Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP)

Meeting Times TBC  
Contact: Teresa Carmody 01423 565068

### St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs R Rouse 01423 562650

### St John Fisher Catholic High School

Headteacher: Mr S Mort 01423 887254

### St Joseph's Pre-School (Term-time Mornings)

Contact Julie Kane 07792657808  
nyey.580630@outlook.com

### Readers & (Eucharistic Ministers) at Mass:

#### This Weekend:

Vigil: Roisin Currie; Jade Cooper (Elaine Durbin)  
8.00am Alex Leckanby; John Walker (John Tweddle)  
11.00am Alicia Player; Greg Warren (Cathy Hudson)

#### Next Weekend:

Vigil: Patsy Rochester; Peter Durbin (Patsy Rochester)  
8.00am Daniele Bovo; Amy Keith (John Walker)  
11.00am Mr Smith; Paul Fletcher (Mark Grafton)

### Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Andy Maslavekas (RIP); Private Intention (PF);  
Thanksgiving to St Joseph & St Anthony; Elizabeth (Sp  
Int).

### Church Weekly Bulletin:

This week I was asked why there weren't many notices about our parish and locality in the bulletin each week - rather, there are some notices about the parish, and often more about the diocese and wider world. The reason is simple - very few people send me notices about things happening in the parish!! If YOU have a notice for the weekly bulletin, please do let me have it (preferably by email, if not then a note through the presbytery door is fine), but if you can make sure I have it by noon on the Thursday before the Sunday for inclusion in that weekend's bulletin - subject to space etc! Thank you for your help and support. Fr Stephen

### St Joseph's Church Website:

After returning for a short while, it had to be taken down again, and is now under full reconstruction! Please keep checking in for progress - but remember to refresh your page occasionally!

### Diocesan Year Book 2022:

The New Diocesan Yearbook is here, and available at the sum of £4.00 per copy. Please place money in the red box along with the piety stall monies - Thankyou!

### News from Our School:

#### Year One visit the National Railway Museum:

Year one recently visited the National Railway Museum in York. They had an amazing time and learnt so much about trains through the ages. They were so lucky that to see Stephenson's Rocket at the museum. It was huge! They also enjoyed exploring different trains like the Mallard and the Flying Scotsman!



### Update from the Academy Council (AC) of St Joseph's Catholic Primary School:

On 1 December, the AC met for its second meeting of the academic year. The AC welcomed new Foundation Governor, Mary Young (former Headteacher off St Joseph's Tadcaster) and in attendance were representatives of the Bishop Wheeler Multi-Academy Trust. The AC reviewed the School Development and Improvement Plan which tracks progress against six key priorities, including Catholic Life and Enrichment, the Acting Headteacher Report and Lead Governor reports on Finance/Resources and Continuing

Professional Development/Staff Welfare. The AC has published its Annual Statement of activity at:  
Academy+Council+Statement.pdf (squarespace.com)

### St Joseph's Confirmation Preparation:

The next session for the Confirmation Candidates is on Saturday 11th December from 10.00am until 12.30pm in the Church Hall. See you then!

### Caritas Leads:

Invites all to its first workshop, part of the FaithWorks Framework, rescheduled for Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021, 6 - 8pm, St John Fisher Catholic Voluntary Academy, Oxford Road, Dewsbury, WF13 4LL. (This engaging workshop on Early Childhood Experiences will focus on: How stress from childhood experiences can change brain development and affect how the body responds to stress.) In person and also streamed live. Book a place at: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/criminal-justice-workshop-childhood-tickets-195003710347ear>

### Advent Service of Reconciliation:

There is an Advent Reconciliation at St Robert's on Wednesday 8th December starting at 7.00pm. There will be 4 or 5 priests available to hear confessions on that occasion.

### Deanery Day of Renewal:

On Saturday 11th December from 11.30 am to 3.45pm in St. Aelred's Church Hall, Woodlands Drive Harrogate HG27BE. The Speaker will be Rev. Deacon Charlie Conner, who will give a talk on the theme of Advent. Come in person - or attend via zoom, email Val at: vmese@hotmail.co.uk to register.

### Catholic Care HR Manager Vacancy:

Salary: SP25 £30,095 to SP30 £34,373. Post: permanent - Full Time (37 Hours) Location: Head Office, Headingley, Leeds. Closing Date: Until appointed. Interview to be arranged with candidate. For more information please call 0113 388 5400 or visit [www.catholic-care.org.uk](http://www.catholic-care.org.uk)

### Catholic Care Vacancies:

Catholic Care are recruiting a new Head of Finance who will work closely with the strategic Leadership Team with opportunities to progress. Catholic Care are working in exclusive partnership with Sharp Consultancy. Please send your CV directly to jamiec@sharpconsultancy.com quoting reference CC11154. A number of other vacancies can be viewed at: [www.catholic-care.org.uk](http://www.catholic-care.org.uk), 0113 388 5400.

### Friendship Group (hosted by Catholic Care)

The Friendship Group has resumed meeting in the hall on Tuesday afternoons from 1.30pm-2.45pm. The group is for anyone who would like some company, a good chat and a nice cup of tea (or coffee). It is a place to meet with friends and make new ones. Please wear a face covering when arriving and moving around and the windows will be open for increased ventilation so wrap up warm! If you would like more information please contact Rachel on 07739 975021

### RCIA - Journey in Faith:

Continues on Tuesday 14th December after the 7.00pm Mass. Please hold in your prayers those who are exploring their faith more deeply with a view to becoming Catholic next Easter.

### Calling all Eucharistic Ministers:

As we continue to find the 'new normal' I very much hope to use the gifts and talents of our present, (and some new) Eucharistic Ministers to help with taking Holy Communion to the sick and housebound. If you would be willing to help with this please speak with me or email me as soon as possible. Fr Stephen.

### Christmas Lunches:

The Briery is pleased to be able to offer groups of family, friends or parishes a pre-Christmas lunch served on Thursday, 16th December at 12.30pm, £30 per person. For more details about the delicious menu please call the Administrators on 01943 607287 or email: [briery@btconnect.com](mailto:briery@btconnect.com)

### Catholic Care Vacancies:

Senior Support Workers, Waking Nights Support Workers, Finance Assistant, Support Workers, Outreach Workers, Cleaner, Residential Child Care Worker, Catholic Care Trustee and a HR Manager. For more information visit [www.catholic-care.org.uk](http://www.catholic-care.org.uk) or call 0113 388 5400.

### Residential Childcare Worker (Catholic Care):

Salary: SP2 £18,649 to SP7 £20,444 (Dependant on qualifications and experience). Residential Child Care Worker - two vacancies available Post: Full and Part Time Positions (Shift patterns to include weekends, bank holidays and sleep-ins) Sleep in allowance payable. Location: Leeds. Closing Date: Until position filled. Interview Date: To be arranged with applicant. For more info [catholic-care.org.uk](http://catholic-care.org.uk) or call 0113 388 5400.

### Children's Liturgy:

Can you help with Children's Liturgy? If so, and for more details of how to help speak with Fr Stephen or Grace Foster - Telephone 0751 568 6662.

### Rachel's Vineyard Talk:

Rachel's Vineyard-provide reconciliation and healing retreats for those have been affected by abortion: Talk in Wheeler Hall, Leeds Cathedral, LS2 8BE, by Rachel from Rachel's Vineyard on Wednesday 8th December starting at 6:30pm. Rachel will share her own story, and explore the stages of grief, hope and healing for those who have been personally affected, and those who support others affected. There is Mass at 5:30pm in the Cathedral [www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk)

### Horizons of Hope:

Saturday, 22nd January 2022. Inspired by the Wisdom of Fr Daniel O'Leary's book, the day will be facilitated by the Begin with the Heart Team. For info and bookings please call the Administrators on 01943 607287 or email: [briery@btconnect.com](mailto:briery@btconnect.com)

### St Joseph's Parish Christmas Card 2021:

Our Parish Christmas Cards should be ready for us to take this weekend - please do take one for yourself - but also take several others to deliver and offer to friends, neighbours, family and parishioners who perhaps haven't yet managed to come back to church, or perhaps whose faith has become a little 'be-calmed' over the years. There is a welcome for all here at St Joseph's over the Christmas period, and at any time! Thank you for your help in spreading the word! Note well the different Mass Times throughout the Christmas period!!