

Wednesday 15th May 2019 - A WEEKLY PRAYER CUSTOM



Encountering Christ
Prayerfully preparing for the
Sunday Mass and praying in
particular for our school families



Preparing for the Mass of Sunday 19th May 2019 - The Fifth Sunday of Easter

1 Relax & Remember

Set aside 10 -15 minutes and create a suitable environment by removing any distractions. Make sure that you are comfortable. Perhaps light a candle. Make the sign of the cross † and remain still for a minute of settling silence. **Call to mind the love that God has for you. Remember that through this scripture our Lord is truly present.** Then read the Gospel, preferably aloud and slowly, and pay attention to any words that stand out. If any do, meditate on them for a few minutes and be invited into a dialogue with God.



2 Read

Taken from the Gospel for Sunday 19th May 2019 - The Commandment of Love (John 13:31-35)

When Judas had gone Jesus said, "Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon. My little children, I shall not be with you much longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another. By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples."



3 Reflect

After spending a few minutes considering this Gospel, continue by reading Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection.

From now until Pentecost the readings from St John's Gospel are taken from the great final teaching of Jesus at the Last Supper about the future of his Church and his disciples. From the sayings of Jesus the evangelist has composed a great discourse of Jesus about the obligations, duties and dangers which will come upon his disciples after his own death and resurrection. There were probably slightly different versions of this discourse, which were handed down by word of mouth; the impression of repetition in the discourse probably results from the evangelist recording three versions one after another. As we approach the Birth of the Church at Pentecost we need to listen to how Jesus envisaged his community. Today's reading gives the essentials. At the head of the Christian community stands the glorified Son of Man, in whom God is glorified. But this Son is no distant figurehead, for he will come to be present among his disciples. How will this happen? Answer: in the love which his disciples show for one another. One is reminded of the legend about the aged St John, wheeled into the church at Ephesus. When asked for the message of Jesus, all he would say was, 'My little children, love one another.'

How has Jesus shown his love for us? How do you show that same love for someone else?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

4 Respond & Request

Now slowly and prayerfully read the Gospel once again but this time in silence. Consider how this Gospel could apply to your life in general. Then thank God for any insight you may have received. Conclude by asking God to bless you with one of the following spiritual gifts to help you act on any resolution you have made: love, understanding, wisdom, faithfulness, peace, self control, patience, or joy. Please remember to pray for the Church and particularly our school families. **Then conclude by requesting the prayers of Our Lady & St Joseph.**



The Wednesday Word is under the patronage of St Joseph, Patron Saint of Families and Protector of the Church
Within the tradition of the Catholic Church, each Wednesday is dedicated to St Joseph

www.wednesdayword.org

Welcome to the Parish of Our Lady & St. Robert

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Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Easter - Mass Book page 268	
12th May 2019	Sat Vigil 6.15pm 9.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Mass (Parish Dead List) Mass (Mary and Jack Keegan) Mass (Penny Abruzzio) Mass (Golden Wedding - Kathy and Neil Magee)
Monday 13th	Weekday of Easter	
	8.30am 9.00am	Mass (Parish Dead List) Morning Prayer
Tuesday 14th	St Matthias, Apostle	
	11.30am 12.00noon 7.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mass (Fernanda and Christina Rodrigues and Family) Mass (Parish Dead List)
Wednesday 15th	Weekday of Easter	
	11.30am 12.00noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mass (Christopher McDermott)
Thursday 16th	Weekday of Easter	
	11.30am 12.00noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mass (Padre Lorenzo)
Friday 17th	Weekday of Easter	
	11.30am 12.00noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mass (James O'Brien)
Saturday 18th	Weekday of Easter	
	11.00am - 11.45am 5.00pm - 5.45pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions
Sunday	Fifth Sunday of Easter - Mass Book page 271	
19th May 2019	Sat Vigil 6.15pm 9.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Mass (Bob Antram) Mass (Paul O'Brien) Mass (Jean Lee) Mass (Private Intention {Exam Results})

Please Pray For:
All the sick of the Parish

Those who have died recently: *Mamerta Curioso and Winefride Park*

Those whose anniversary occurs at this time: *Mary Keegan*

REGULAR EVENTS

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays, 11am - 11:45am, 5pm - 5:45pm.
Also available by appointment with a priest.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays to Fridays, 11:30am - 12 noon.
Saturdays, 11am - 12 noon, 5pm - 6pm.

Prayer of the Church (Divine Office)

Mondays at 9am and Fridays at 6.40pm in Church
Contact: Paul Fogarty (701645)

Carers' Prayer Group

Tuesdays, 12.30pm in Church
Contact Rita Hartigan (881071)

Catenian Association (Harrogate Circle)

Second Tuesday of the month 7.30 pm
Contact John Tolan 01423 884690
www.harrogatecatenians.org.uk

Catholic Women's League of England and Wales

For further information contact Barbara Stitt
01423 563846

Children's Liturgy Group

Contact: Lucy Witton (07875 316035)

Choir

Traditional Choir
Contact: Brenda Boyle (885439)

Folk Choir

Contact: Bernard Antram (781999)

Journey in Faith

Tuesdays, Nov-Easter 7:30pm - 9:00pm, St. Robert's
Centre. Contact: Father David (504988)

Mothers' Prayers

Meetings held fortnightly.
Contact: Jackie Tevlin 529035)

Rosary Group

Tuesdays, 2pm in Church.
Contact: Philomena Patton (567145).

Safeguarding Representative (Parish)

Contact: Doreen Grant (07740200247)
strobertssafeguardingrep@gmail.com

St Robert's Brownies

Wednesdays 6pm - 7:15pm
Contact: Sarah Mansfield (566651).
Email: mansfield.sarah@gmail.com

St Robert's Guides

Wednesdays 6.30pm - 8pm, St Robert's School.
Contact: Sarah Philp (568578)

St Vincent de Paul Society

Mondays, 7:30pm, St. Robert's Centre.
Contact: Katherine Merton Jones, (522731)
Furniture/white goods: Paul Barry (564240)

St Roberts Walking Group

First Thursday of every month.
Contact Sheila or Joe McNamara 734102)

Youth Ministry

Contact: Joy O'Brien. (529771).
strobertsyouth.harrogate@gmail.com

200 Club

Janet Myers myers333@btinternet.com



A warm welcome to everyone!

Especially to all new parishioners, visitors, those on holiday or conferences. Please, if you wish, make yourself known to the clergy or the welcomers/greeters.

Safeguarding: - DBS Upgrades

It is now required that DBS checks should take place every three years, unless the applicant has registered for the online update service. Our Parish Safeguarding Rep, Doreen Grant, is in the process of contacting people who need upgrading. **If you have a certificate which is more than 3 years old and have not registered for the online update service, then you will have to upgrade to continue your ministry.** If you are contacted could you, please reply promptly. It is essential to have the upgrade in order to continue your Ministry. Thank you.

APF Mill Hill Red Box Quarterly Collection: Please bring your Red Box to St Robert's between 5th and 19th of May and leave it in the sacristy. The boxes will be emptied during this period and the money sent to APF/Mill Hill. Your Red Box will be available for collection in the sacristy after 25 May 2019. The next Red Box collection will be in August 2019.

Mothers prayers: The next meeting of the Mothers Prayers Group will be in church on Friday 17th May at 2.00pm Please join us to pray for all our children, and all children throughout the world. We especially remember those suffering due to poverty, sickness, war and homelessness. For any further information please contact Jackie Tevlin on 529035

Marian Day of Prayer for Peace: Led by Father May at St Mary Magdalene Church, Maltby on Saturday, **18th May.** Details on Notice Board or contact Helga Rushton mob 07891-029092.

World Youth Day at Home: 7th to 9th June

A weekend festival in Staffordshire bringing young people ages 15 – 25 together to have a taste of World Youth Day. With prayer, catechesis, fellowship, liturgies and worship, the weekend promises to provide a wonderful experience of God's love for young people from all over the country. Please see poster or website for further details. www.wydathome.com

Vocations Weekend for Young Women: In Liverpool on 24-26 May 2019. The weekend is organised by the sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ). **See Notice Board in Church**

OFFERTORY

12th & 13th May 2019

Loose Cash	£ 965.70
Gift Aided Envelopes	£ 465.70
Planned Giving	£ 125.00
<u>Avg weekly Standing Orders</u>	<u>£ 899.19</u>
TOTAL	£2455.59

Many thanks for your Generosity

Retiring Collection: After all Masses **this weekend** for the **Priests' Training Fund.** There is a green envelope in your box of Offertory envelopes for this Collection which is 'Gift Aidable'

Lenten Project- Gendit School: Sue, the founder of the project, and Kate thank you for your amazing generosity towards the children and community of Gendit, Ethiopia. If you would like to continue your support, we are looking for sponsors for 4 children from the poorest families. Sponsors can be individuals, families or other groups. Please contact Kate for details of the children and how to become involved further. 07891 875326 / 01423 561834

Vacancy - Personal Assistant to the Chief Operating Officer based at Hinsley Hall. An excellent opportunity for an experienced PA or Executive Assistant to join the Executive Team at Hinsley Hall providing administrative support across our Diocese. Full job description available through the Diocesan website www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/vacancies. For more details please contact rebecca.phillips@dioceseofleeds.org.uk. Your CV with a covering letter should be submitted to vacancies@dioceseofleeds.org.uk by **9am, Monday 20th May 2019.**

Safeguarding Job Vacancies at Hinsley Hall for:
Safeguarding Administrator – Maternity cover from July 2019, **Full time/Temporary Assistant Administrator, 18 hours per week/permanent;**
Assistant Safeguarding Coordinator Full time/permanent. Please see the vacancy section on the diocesan website www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk for more information or contact safeguarding@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Bulletin notices:

Any notices for the weekly Bulletin should be sent to office.strobert@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or delivered to the Presbytery by Wednesday lunchtime for the following weekend. Thank you.

Baptisms: This Weekend at St Roberts

We welcome into the Family of the Church

Sophie Elizabeth Rowat

Sacramental Preparations

First Holy Communion (current YR 4) Parents and candidates to attend 9.00am Mass

Sunday 12th May - Session 2 after 9:00am Mass (with parents)

Sunday 19th May - Session 3 after 9:00am Mass (with parents)

Sunday 9th June - Session 4 after 9:00am Mass (with parents)

Tuesday 11th June - Reconciliation for Communion Candidates 5:00 PM at St. Robert's Church (with parents)

Sunday 16th June - Session 5 and Rehearsal after 9.00am Mass (with parents)

First Holy Communion Sunday 23rd June

St Robert's 9.00am and St Aelred's 10.30am

Thanksgiving Mass on Sunday 30th June at 9.00am

Confirmation Dates to follow for Year 6 starting in September 2019:

If you require more information please contact our Youth Minister, Joy O'Brien at strobertsyouth.harrogate@gmail.com

Leeds Diocesan 2019 Pilgrimage to Lourdes:

please see notice at back of church. **5th to 11th July 2019,** £799 from Leeds Bradford airport. Six nights full board accommodation.

Diocese of Leeds – Foundations in Faith:

A Course of Catholic Faith Formation for catechists, teachers and anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. The course incorporates the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) and begins at Hinsley Hall in **September 2019.** There will be an information evening about the course at Hinsley Hall on **Tuesday 11th June from 7:00 – 8:30pm.** To book a place or for further information please contact Emma on 0113 261 8040 or evangelisation.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk



Please Remember: To switch off Mobile Phones when you come into Church - They do have a habit of going off... right at the wrong moment!!! Thank you