

## Confirmation Timetable 2019/2020

Sun 22nd Sept 9.00am Mass with parents  
10.00am Enrolment of Candidates  
Sun 29th Sept 9.00am Mass with parents  
10.00am Session 1  
Sun 6th Oct 9.00am Mass with parents  
10.00am Session 2  
Sun 13th Oct 9.00am Mass with parents  
10.00am Session 3  
Sun 27th Oct 9.00am Mass with parents  
10.00am Session 4

### Half Term Break

Sun 10th Nov 9.00am Mass with parents  
10.00am Session 5  
Sun 17th Nov 9.00am Mass with parents  
10.00am Session 6  
Sun 24th Nov 9.00am Mass with parents  
10.00am Session 7  
Sun 1st Dec 9.00am Mass with parents  
10.00am Session 8  
Sun 8th Dec 9.00am Mass with parents  
10.00am Session 9  
Sun 15th Dec 9.00am Mass with parents  
10.00am Session 10

### Christmas Break

Sun 12th Jan 9.00am Mass with parents  
10.00am Confirmation REHEARSAL

**Tuesday 14th January 7.00pm Confirmation with BISHOP MARCUS, St. Robert's Church**

**REVELATION (Diocesan youth event)** Inviting all young people age 12+ to come to the monthly Diocesan Youth event of prayer, reflection, fellowship, games, fun, food and a chance to meet other young Catholics starting on Thursday 10th October at Hinsley Hall from 5.30—7.30pm. Dates for 2019-2020 Thursdays, 14th Nov, 12th Dec, 16th Jan, 13th Feb, 12th March, 2nd April, 7th May and 4th June. More details, please contact Joy. 504988

**Leeds Cathedral Choral Scholarships**, up to £2000 per year. Please see poster at back of Church.

**Cardinal Heenan Catholic High School** requires a Cover Supervisor—Please see poster at back of Church

**School Vacancy. St. John's Catholic School for the Deaf** are recruiting for a School Business Manager: [stjohns.org.uk/current-vacancies/](http://stjohns.org.uk/current-vacancies/)

### Youth Ministry Volunteers:

We are in need of volunteers to help run our Youth Ministry Programme - Youth Masses, Junior Choir, Youth Club, Children's Liturgy, Sacramental Preparations, Youth Retreats, Pilgrimages and Trips. If you would like to volunteer or would like to have a chat about the roles Please contact Joy at [strobertyouth.harrogate@gmail.com](mailto:strobertyouth.harrogate@gmail.com) Anyone applying for these volunteer roles will be required to undergo an Enhanced DBS check.

**Junior Choir:** We Invite any young person who loves singing and music to take part in our Junior Choir at **9:00am Mass**. No need to sign up. Anyone who is interested just needs to turn up 20 minutes before Mass starts (**8:40am**) for rehearsals. Please contact Joy 504988 for more details.

**Mass for Altar Servers:** Saturday **21st September**, at Leeds Cathedral, 12:00 Noon. All Diocesan altar servers are welcome to attend. Those attending will need to bring their albs/cassocks and cottas and gather in Wheeler Hall by 11.40am. Also, please bring a picnic lunch which will be eaten in Wheeler Hall following the Mass.

### Young Altar Servers Needed for all

**Masses:** Open to any young person who has received their First Holy Communion and is interested in serving Mass, please speak to Paul Dowie after 9:00am Mass or speak to Joy O'Brien. Training usually takes place after 9:00am Mass. Once training is completed, you will be able to serve at any Mass at St Robert's Church.

**St Robert's Youth Group:** Takes place every Monday **6:00-7:00** (term time only) at St Robert's Club. It is open for young people who are 8 years old and above. If you would like more information contact Joy O'Brien on 07402 976079 or by email to [strobertyouth.harrogate@gmail.com](mailto:strobertyouth.harrogate@gmail.com)

**Newman festival:** In anticipation of their patron's canonisation on 13th October, the Parish of Blessed John Henry Newman in East Leeds will host a "Newman Festival" **22nd - 27th September**. The Festival includes a pilgrimage to Newman's Shrine at the Birmingham Oratory (afternoon/evening of Sun 22nd), a series of talks held at **St Theresa's, 7pm on Mon 23rd (Fr Dennis Cassidy, Leeds Diocese) Tue 24th (Fr Richard Duffield, York Oratory) and Wed 25th (Mgr Prof. Rod Strange). On Thu 26th, 7pm Bishop Marcus will celebrate Mass and dedicate a relic of Newman at Corpus Christi Church.** An post-canonisation event will be held on 20th October: A "Come and Sing" workshop and informal performance of choruses from *The Dream of Gerontius* led by the Diocese Music Department, open to singers of all abilities from across the Diocese. More about the Festival on the Diocese website within the next few weeks.

## Welcome to the Parish of Our Lady & St. Robert

Robert Street, Harrogate, HG1 1HP (Diocese of Leeds) Registered Charity No: 249404

**Clergy:** Canon Jim Callaghan -Parish Priest  
Fr. Ben Hilton -Assistant Priest

**Parish Office** (St. Robert's Presbytery) Staffed Monday to Friday 9.30am-4.30pm

Tel: (01423)504988 e-mail: [office.strobert@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:office.strobert@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

Web: [strobertsharrogate.co.uk](http://strobertsharrogate.co.uk)



**St Robert's Centre** (Office Staffed Monday to Friday 9.00am until 12.00noon)

Tel: 01423 529771 e-mail: [info@strobertyouth.co.uk](mailto:info@strobertyouth.co.uk) web: [strobertyouth.co.uk](http://strobertyouth.co.uk)

Sunday

## Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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8th September

Sat 7th Sept Vigil 6.15 pm Mass (Mary Booth)  
St. Aelred's Vigil 6.30pm Mass (In Thanksgiving(Exam Results))  
9.00am Mass (Joan Schneeberger)  
10.00am St. Aelred's Mass (Diane Hitchings)  
11.00am Mass (Greg Crayford, family friends and benefactors)  
6.00pm Mass (People of the Parish)

Monday 9th

Weekday in Ordinary Time

8.30am Mass (Anna Rita Doherty)

Tuesday 10th

Weekday in Ordinary Time

11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
12.00noon Mass (Patton Family)  
7.00pm Mass (Andy Muscek)

Wednesday 11th

Weekday in Ordinary Time

9.30am St Aelred's Mass (Morris Hennebry)  
11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
12.00noon Mass (Fr Paul Yoo & Fr Joseph Yr 1)

Thursday 12th

The Most Holy Name of Mary

11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
12.00 noon Mass (In Thanksgiving)

Friday 13th

St John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

9.30am St Aelred's Mass (Eileen Mills-Howard)  
11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
12.00noon (Jean Bond)

Saturday 14th

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

11.00am - 11.45am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions  
5.00pm - 5.45pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions

### Please Pray For:

All the sick of the Parish:

Those who have died recently: *Jose Bermudez, Clive Cundell*

Those whose anniversary occurs at this time:

## 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.

### 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/Youth

Contact: Joy O'Brien 01423 504988  
strobertyouth.harrogate@gmail.com

### Choir

Traditional Choir

Contact: Brenda Boyle (885439)

Folk Choir

Contact: Bernard Antram (781999)

### Journey in Faith

Tuesdays, Nov-Easter 7:30pm - 9:00pm

Contact Canon Jim (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)  
strobertsafeguardingrep@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)

### 200 Club

Janet Myers myers333@btinternet.com

### St Robert's Catholic Primary School

Admissions contact

admin@st-roberts.n-yorks.sch.uk

01423 504730

Miss J Collins Headteacher

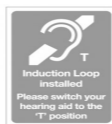
**Deanery day of renewal. Saturday 14th September from 11.30 to 4.00pm** St Aelred's Church Hall. Speaker will be Frances Mary Callan. Mary is a trained Catechist from Middlesbrough Diocese. She is a story teller and poet who, as "Blazing Grannies", performs Bible stories at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival and around parishes. There will be a shared table for lunch so please bring a small contribution. Further information please ring Dolores Omand 01423 870789 or visit our web site [ccrleeds.org.uk](http://ccrleeds.org.uk)

**Catholic Marriage Care** help with the preparation of couples marrying in church. It runs one day courses on a Saturday, currently only at Otley. Marriage Care is looking for volunteer facilitators to offer the course elsewhere in the diocese. It involves presenting material to up to 9 couples with a co facilitator then exercises and discussion. Training is provided—a weekend course and a day then a commitment of up to 4 Saturdays a year thereafter. For further information go to: [marriagecare.org.uk](http://marriagecare.org.uk) then 'Get Involved.'

**Bible Study** on the Gospel of John will begin **September 19th 2019**. Experience the Joy of following Christ—learn what it takes to follow Christ; discover the joy of divine friendship; see how God, and only God can satisfy the deepest desires of your heart. This **eight week course** will be held on Thursday nights from **7-9pm in St. Robert's Centre**. The cost of the workbook is £20. If you would like to attend or need further information, please contact **Marie Baker** at [mbaker0813@gmail.com](mailto:mbaker0813@gmail.com)

**Leeds Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham** This is to remind you that the Leeds Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place this year on **Saturday 28th September 2019**. The Pilgrimage will begin with the celebration of Holy Mass at 12 noon at the Catholic Shrine located near the Slipper Chapel. The Mass will be followed by Lunch. We will then make a Solemn Procession into the village of Walsingham and end with a service around 4.30pm. A Novena for the Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham which involves some set Novena Prayers with a different intention each day for the needs of our Country and Church. **The Novena starts on September 15th and finishes on September 23rd**. The Diocese have sent us an electronic copy of the prayers. These are available from the parish office for anyone who would like them.

**Loop System**—We are aware that there is an intermittent fault with the loop system in church. We will, as quickly as possible get a sound engineer to repair or replace. Our apologies for any inconvenience.



## 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 welcome/greeters.

**\*\*\*We welcome our new Assistant Priest\*\*\***

**Fr. Benjamin Hilton** has taken up his appointment at St. Robert's and St. Aelred's. He will also be Chaplain to St. John Fisher High School.

**Marian Day of Prayer for Peace** led by Father May at St. Mary Magdalene Church, Maltby on Saturday 28th September 2019. Details on Notice Board or from Helga Rushton 07891029092

**Sycamore Programme** is an informal course about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today. It gives you space to meet other people, share ideas, explore your beliefs, and think about questions that really matter: How can we find happiness? What's the meaning of life? Is there a God? Does prayer make a difference? Each session starts with a simple meal followed by a short film and some time for discussion. There is no pressure and no commitment. There is a real sense of community, a spirit of friendship, some great conversation, and delicious food. All welcome. **Sessions at St. Josephs Church Hall, 20 Westgate, Wetherby LS22 6LL on Thursday evenings 6.45—8.15pm from 26th September to 5th December**. Find out more [www.sycamore.fm](http://www.sycamore.fm) If you wish to attend, please contact [liz.vickerstaff@gmail.com](mailto:liz.vickerstaff@gmail.com) or 07972726599 evenings please

### Knit and Natter (Hosted by Catholic Care)

The Knit and Natter Group which meets at St Aelred's Parish Hall is supporting the Mayor of Harrogate with the **Poppy Project**. The plan is to decorate the centre of Harrogate with knitted and crocheted poppies for Remembrance Day. If you would like to join us in knitting or crocheting please get in touch for a pattern or join us at our next meeting on Thursday 12th September 10.30am-11.45am, or if you have **any red or black wool** you would like to donate we would be very grateful. For more information or to arrange a pick up for wool please contact Rachel on 07739 975021 or 0113 3885400. Thank you.

**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**



## OFFERTORY

31st/1st September 2019

Loose Cash	£870.45
Gift Aided Envelopes	£396.50
Planned Giving	£108.00
Avg weekly Standing Orders	£1000.96
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£2375.91</b>

*Many thanks for your Generosity*

**Retiring Collection.** After all Masses this weekend 7/8th September, for the Catholic Education Service. The following week is Home Mission Sunday and the Collection after all Masses on 14/15th September will be for the **Home Missions**. Please note that Gift Aid cannot be claimed on this Collection and there are no envelopes.

**Gift Aid Letters:** The Diocese has sent your Gift Aid Letters. They contain important information. Please collect them from the back of Church this weekend or from St Robert's Sacristy during next week.

**APF/Mill Hill Collection** The recent APF Mill Hill red Box collection was £433.19. **Thanks to the Red Box holders** who handed their boxes in this period. Please collect your box in St. Robert's sacristy as soon as you are able. The boxes will be emptied next in January 2020.

**John Tolan, of the Catenians,** will speak briefly at all Masses 14th and 15th September at St. Robert's. The Catenians is a Catholic organisation which provide activities promoting Catholic family life in this area and are seeking new members. The monthly meetings in Harrogate are for Catholic men and we provide a varied social calendar of activities for Catenians, their wives or widows and their families, such as lunches and dinners, theatre, sports and other social outings and occasional Masses. Telephone John on 01423 884690 or speak with Catenian members after Mass for more information.

**Message from John Shackleton** Within the next week or so I hope to leave England with my grandson to Cracow in Poland, where we will buy a left hand drive minibus for Fr. Russ who runs an orphanage in Transnistria. We will have to drive to Chisinau in Moldova where Fr. Russ will negotiate our entry into Transnistria, which unfortunately is run by Russians. So once again I am asking you for your prayers. It really is in Gods hands as to whether we get permission to enter. Thank you, and may God bless you all.

### Bulletin notices:

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