

ST. LEONARD'S

Jean Toynbee RIP - Jean died on Wednesday 14th January at the age of 105 years. In her younger days Jean was a highly respected GP in the Howardian area. She was also a regular attendee at Mass in St Leonards and Journey in Faith until her great age, the withdrawal of her driving licence and poor hearing got the better of her. Her Funeral will take place on the **10th February at 12noon at All Saints Church, Terrington**, followed by an interment in the Churchyard. We send our condolences and the promise of our prayer to her family and friends. May she Rest In Peace.

Parish Lottery - If you wish to join the Parish Lottery, forms are available in church and from Anne Pegg and should be returned to Anne, so a lottery number can be allocated.

The Life Ascending Group at St. Leonard's welcomes parishioners to be part of their meetings (3rd Weds of the month, 10.30am – 12pm). Any queries, speak to Barbara Jameson or Sarah Sharpe.

Digital giving – You can now support our parish through digital giving. Simply scan the [QR code](#) on the front of this newsletter or from the posters and follow the steps. The codes will take you to a website from which donations to the church can be made [Or](#) you can use the contactless card reader in the church porch. The new [Dona Digital giving terminal](#) has been installed by the door of the church and also provides the option to gift aid donations. It offers a variety of options, such as the offertory collection, piety stall. If you need any help using the machine, please find a member of the finance team.

ST. JOSEPH'S

Vera Hume RIP - Vera died recently at the age of 93 years, about a year after her husband Joe. Her Funeral Service will take place on **Thursday 19th February at 11am at St. Joseph's Church** followed by an interment in Pickering Cemetery. Afterwards, there will be refreshments at The Black Swan, Pickering and donations will be going to Yorkshire Cancer Research. We send our condolences and the promise of our prayer to her family and friends. May she Rest In Peace.

***The Pastoral team would like to thank all those who contributed to the recent Ecumenical Prayers for World Peace** and a special thank you to the children and staff of St Joseph's School.

***Coffee, Cake and Chat** will be after Mass on the **15th February**.

Lectio Divina has resumed and the next one will be on **9th February** at 9.30am.

Private Prayer - The Church will be open for private prayer on the following days/times; Monday afternoon at 2 pm and Wednesday morning at 11 am.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY

York - If you or a loved one is going into hospital and would like a visit and Holy Communion, please do let us know in advance or contact Sue Ellis the acting Catholic Lay Chaplain; either on her mobile 07748 108253 or via the Chaplains' Office Number 01904 725579 (under GDPR we no longer routinely access details of Catholic patients). In case of urgency, please ask the nursing staff or switchboard to page the on-call Catholic Chaplain. A Catholic Priest is on-call 24/7 in case of emergency. [Scarborough](#) The Catholic Chaplain can be contacted on 01723 360358. [Malton](#) Please contact Father Tim (01653 692128) or Sue Westmacott (01653 628035) If you are contacting us about someone else, you must have their permission.

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 8th February 2026

“Cry, and the Lord will answer” Isaiah 58: 9

MASSES THIS WEEK

**MASS AT ST. LEONARD'S:
SATURDAY AT 6.30pm; SUNDAY AT 9.00am.**

**MASS AT ST. JOSEPH'S:
SUNDAY AT 11.00am**



PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE

A Prayer for Peace in the World

Lord, send your Holy Spirit down upon the earth, the Spirit that conquers division, the Spirit that leads to freedom, the Spirit that overcomes war, Lord of time and of eternity, Give our world the peace, which only you can give. Amen
Our Lady, Queen of Peace. Pray for us and the whole world.

MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 7th (St. Leonard's, 6.30pm) *Nolan Family Intention*

Sunday 8th (St. Leonard's, 9.00am) *For the people of our Parishes*

8th (St. Joseph's, 11.00am) *Dandy, McCann & Hume Families Dec'd*

Tuesday 10th (St. Joseph's, 1.00pm) Celebration of The Word and Communion

Funeral Service for Jean Toynbee. 12.00 All Saints Church, Terrington.

Wednesday 11th (St. Leonard's, 12noon) Anita Ospedale's Intentions

Saturday 14th (St. Leonard's, 6.30pm) Seamus Campbell RIP

***Responsorial Psalm** – “Good people are a light in the darkness for the upright.”

TODAY

- *Coffee after Mass at St. Leonard's*

SACRAMENTS

*Reverend Douglas McKittrick – ORDINATION TO THE SACRED PRIESTHOOD

Douglas will be Ordained to the Sacred Priesthood on Saturday, **28th March at 12:00 noon at Saint Mary's Cathedral**. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sign-up sheet in church. Please continue to keep Douglas in your prayers as he prepares for Ordination.

First Holy Communion 2025/26 - The next session will be on the **7th February** "Teach Us to Pray", 4-5pm in church. For more information, please contact Lisa Gallon on lgallon@btinternet.com

Confirmation Programme at St. Leonard's 2026 - Our Confirmation programme will start soon. Candidates celebrating Confirmation should normally be of Secondary School age. If your child wishes to start the programme, please get in touch with Lisa Gallon lgallon@btinternet.com or the Parish Office (stleonardsmalton@rcdmidd.org.uk) for the enrolment forms.

CAFOD

***CAFOD: The Big Lent Walk 2026** - We are incredibly excited about the Big Lent Walk 2026 and would love for you to join us as we walk, run, roll or stroll 200km in the 40 days of Lent. Live your Lenten journey in solidarity with others, challenging yourself to walk 200km over 40 days alone or with friends and raise money to bring life-saving water to people around the world. Your steps together with the generosity of your sponsors, and your prayers are building a better world. Sign up at [The Big Lent Walk 2026](#) and we will send you a welcome pack with a wallchart and a 'Big Lent Walk' pin badge. If you hit the target of £200 on your fundraising page, then we'll send you a 'Big Lent Walk' Beanie Hat! Please note: **Lent Family Fast Day is on Friday, 27th February**.

PASTORAL

***Oratory of St Joseph**: At the request of Bishop Marcus Stock, a monthly group for young men (ages 21-35) is being launched for the Dioceses of Leeds and Middlesbrough. It will take place on the last Thursday evening of the month at Hinsley Hall, Headingley (62 Headingley Lane, LS6 2BX). There will be group prayer, guest speakers and talks, social time and supper, and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The first meeting is on **Thursday, 26th February, from 6.30-8.30 pm**. This new initiative is one of the first collaborations between the Dioceses of Middlesbrough and Leeds since the appointment of Bishop Stock as our Apostolic Administrator. For more details, see the poster on the church noticeboard or contact: benjamin.hilton@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

***A Thank You Letter from Friends of the Holyland** is pinned to the noticeboard in Church.

The Malton, Norton & District Lions are collecting good, clean blankets for the cold people of Ukraine. They will be sent directly to the Lions out there so that they arrive where needed. The blankets can be left at the Malton Free Fridge or at the Parish Office (contact Johanna to arrange please). **The deadline to get the blankets in is mid-March**. Many thanks

Malton Free Fridge is open Mon, Weds & Sats, 9-12pm at the Wesley Centre, Saville Street.

***The next Journey in Faith Meeting** will be on **Thursday 19th February at 7 pm** in the Parish Centre. Journey in Faith runs on Thursday evenings and is fortnightly. All are welcome to join us, parishioners of both parishes and those enquiring about the Catholic Church in both Malton and Pickering. Any queries, please contact Sue Westmacott (01653 628035 susanwestmacott@gmail.com) or ask Fr Tim. **Rosary Prayer Group** - If you would like the group to pray for a particular intention – please place that confidentially in the prayer box near the prayer board. The next Group Meeting will be on **Tuesday 10th February** at 6pm in Church.

Explore Our Faith meetings are normally held fortnightly at 10am on Thursday mornings. The next Explore our Faith will be on the **12th February**. All welcome from both parishes. For more information, contact Marion Cuthill - 01653 693063 or email marioncuthill@yahoo.co.uk.

Diocesan Outreach to the LGBT+ community – TODAY

On the 2nd Sunday of every month at 3pm in the Bar Convent Chapel in York, there is Mass in which a particular welcome is offered to people from the LGBT+ community. Doors are open from 2.30 pm, with refreshments served after Mass. There is usually a small presence from St Leonard's and lifts may be available. For more information, contact Sue Westmacott (susanwestmacott@gmail.com).

***Ryedale Community Foodbank** - The shortages list remains the same as we are still restocking after the Christmas demand - 460 people in December, double the average demand during the year. **tinned meat, meat in sauce, tinned vegetables, tinned fish, tinned rice pudding, tinned custard, tinned fruit, small jars of coffee, biscuits, shampoo, shower gel, toothpaste**. Boxes for donations are at the back of Church in both Parishes. If anyone would like to donate funds to the Foodbank this can be done via BACS to: Ryedale Community Foodbank, Sort Code 40-52-40, Acc number 00037212 Or by cheque made payable to Ryedale Community Foodbank.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ryedalecommunityfb> Web: [Ryedale Community Foodbank](http://RyedaleCommunityFoodbank)

LITURGICAL

***Ash Wednesday** - There will be;

-A Vigil Mass for Ash Wednesday at St. Joseph's at 1pm on Tuesday 17th February.

-Mass at St. Leonard's will be on Ash Wednesday itself at midday.

Ashes will also be distributed at the end of Masses for the First Sunday of Lent.

"Beauty for Ashes" A Holy Spirit Day of Reconciliation and Healing for Lent, on **Saturday February 21st 10:30am – 4:30pm (with mass at 9:30) at Sacred Heart Church, Linthorpe Road, Middlesbrough** With: Praise and Worship, Talks, Eucharistic Adoration, Prayer Ministry for Healing. No booking required and lunch provided. For more information, please see poster displayed in Church.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for FEBRUARY For children with incurable diseases

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

Cycle of Prayer – Ordinary Time – Winter - Peace on Earth, Christian Unity, Victims of Human Trafficking, The Sick and those who care for them, The Unemployed.

SYNOD

Pathways for the Implementation Phase of the Synod - These Pathways, prepared by the General Secretariat of the Synod with the opinion of its Ordinary Council and approved by the Pope Leo XIV, are part of the General Secretariat's service of accompaniment during the implementation phase of the Synod. They aim to offer local Churches throughout the world a shared framework that will make it easier to walk together and also promote the dialogue that will lead the whole Church to the Ecclesial Assembly in Oct 2028. The implementation phase aims to examine new practices and structures that will make the life of the Church more synodal. [250102---ENG-Pathways-for-the-implementation-phase.pdf](#)

ADMINISTRATION

Standing Orders and Gift Aid Queries - Anyone wishing to set up a Standing Order can contact our Gift Aid Officers, Lisa Gallon for St. Leonard's & Mary's lgallon@btinternet.com or Paul Robb for St. Joseph's sjggiftaid@gmail.com You do not need to be a taxpayer to donate by standing order.

***Quote of the Week** – *"No matter our age or condition, there are still untapped possibilities within us and new possibilities waiting to be born"* (Dr Dale Turner)

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Altar Servers

We would like to recruit some additional Altar Servers to our group. If you would like more information and/or are interested in becoming an Altar Server, please speak with Father Tim.