

SYNOD

Towards the Assemblies 2027-28 – stages, criteria and tools for preparation – To support the implementation phase of the Synod, the General Secretariat of the Synod has published the following document: [Towards the Assemblies 2027-2028: stages, criteria, and tools for preparation](#)

ST. LEONARD'S

Ann Nolan RIP – There will be a Memorial Mass for Ann on **Saturday 19th September at 630pm.**

Lectio Divina is an ancient form of meditative prayer in which one encounters the voice of the Living God through his holy Scriptures. If you would like to explore this intimate form of prayer, a new group has started and is meeting weekly in the Parish on Tuesday evenings in. If interested, please contact Kirsten on kirstenlawforddavis@gmail.com.

***Youth Group** – The next group meeting will be in October. More information to follow shortly. Yr7 and above are all welcome. For more information, please speak with Anne Pegg or Lisa Gallon.

***Parish Collections** *Weekly Standing Orders* = £449

22/23 Aug - £5.00 Building Fund (Dona), £110.00 Offertory (Dona), Offertory £359.45, **TOTAL = £918.45**

29/30 August - £60.00 Offertory (Dona), £843.28 Offertory, **TOTAL = £1352.28**

6/7 September - £50.00 Building Fund (Dona), £105.00 Offertory (Dona), £617.00 Offertory, **TOTAL = £1171**

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.

ST. JOSEPH'S

***There will be a Parish Meeting** on **20th September after 11am Mass**. An agenda will be drawn up giving parishioners the opportunity for questions.

***There will be Coffee after Mass** on the **20th September**.

Spiritual Retreat Day (date for your diaries) at St Joseph's led by Siobhan Burke from St Bede's Pastoral Centre York Monday 2nd November from 10am - 3pm with a shared lunch. Further information to follow.

Lectio Divina – Next date is; Monday 14th September at 9.30am

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 Fr 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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DIOCESE OF MIDDLESBROUGH

Parishes of ST JOSEPH'S Pickering ST LEONARD & ST MARY'S Malton



Parish Priest: Fr Tim Bywater

Pastoral Team St. Leonard's: Fr Douglas McKittrick, Sue Westmacott, Philip Westmacott, Catherine Duncan, Johanna Davis

Pastoral Team St. Joseph's: Paul Robb, Anne-Marie Whincup, Jackie Shepherd, Kitty Turner, Amanda Howard, Philip Quinlan, Una Stewart

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 13th September 2026

"I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven" Matthew 18:21-35



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

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 & INTENTIONS

Saturday	12 th	(St. Leonard's, 6.30pm) For the people of our parishes
Sunday	13 th	(St. Leonard's, 9.00am) Anita Ospedale RIP
	13 th	(St. Joseph's, 11.00am) Yorkshire Brethren Intention
Tuesday	15 th	(St. Joseph's, 7.00pm) Private Intention
Wednesday	16 th	(St. Leonard's, 12noon) Memorial Mass

Responsorial Psalm "The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and rich in mercy."

TODAY

- Coffee after Mass at St. Leonard's
- Children's Liturgy at St. Leonard's
- Please take a copy of The Voice newspaper

SACRAMENTS

***Baptism Congratulations** to Casey Alexander McGill baptised on the 5th September at St. Leonard's. Prayerful good wishes to parents Gabriel and Darcy and Godparents Tobias, Samuel, Megan, Lacie, Abbie and Callum.

***The next programme of lessons for First Holy Communion** will begin this month with the first session being on the **19th September in church, 4-5pm**. If your child is interested in joining the group, please contact Lisa Gallon on lgallon@btinternet.com for an enrolment form. Your child should be 8 before the 31st December 2026 for this year's programme.

***Confirmation at St. Leonard's** – The last Confirmation session will be on **Sunday 20th September, 6-7pm in church**. This will also include a short Rehearsal. The Confirmation Mass will be on the **4th October during Sunday Morning Mass**. For further information, please get in touch with Lisa Gallon lgallon@btinternet.com

CAFOD

'CAFOD Christmas Fair (14/11/26) please can our crafters assist again with providing hand crafted items for the Christmas stall. We have some very gifted crafters in our congregation and their efforts meant we were able to donate well over £500 to Cafod from last year's stall. Please can your items be delivered to St Leonard's **by Saturday 17th October**. There is a labelled box at the back of the church. Any queries please talk to Jo O'Leary Quinn.'

***CAFOD: Progress on this summer's Global Debt Crisis Petition:** We have received petitions from almost 300 churches so far, totalling over 15,000 signatures. Thank you for being one of those parishes that took part. We will communicate the results to our government at the end of the year, as they take over the presidency of the G20. We did a similar petition last year calling for debt justice which we delivered to the Foreign Office. We want to build on that success and ensure that the government knows we won't give up! Our petition will add to the global campaign from church groups, bishops, economists and others, increasing the pressure on those in power to act. We have also hosted a series of Parliamentary events for politicians to hear about the detail of the debt crisis. In July, the UN Global Goals and the Friends of CAFOD, had a joint meeting to discuss this crisis. CAFOD was represented alongside Her Excellency Ms Macenje Mazoka, High Commissioner of Zambia to the UK, to discuss the role the UK can take to alleviate the crisis when hosting the G20 in 2027.

PASTORAL

***The next Journey in Faith Meeting** will be on **Thursday 17th September 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

***Explore Our Faith** meetings are normally held fortnightly at 10am on Thursday mornings. The next Explore our Faith will be on the **24th September**. All welcome from both parishes. For more information, contact Marion Cuthill - 01653 693063 or email marioncuthill@yahoo.co.uk

***Ryedale Community Foodbank** – All went well over the Summer Packs. Our target was to provide 100 and we gave out 104. Currently needed; tinned soup, pasta, rice, tea, coffee, tinned custard, tinned rice pudding, tinned fruit, jars of pasta sauce, jars of curry sauce, cereals, UHT milk-blue and green, biscuits, meat in sauce, tinned tomatoes, UHT juice, jam (not homemade). 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](https://www.ryedalecommunityfb.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).

Malton Free Fridge is open Mon (from 10am), Weds & Sats (from 930am) at the Wesley Centre.

***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 13th October** at 6pm in Church.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

***Family Retreat Day** - Families are warmly invited to an **All Saints Family Retreat at St Paulinus Church, Guisborough, on Sunday 1 November from 12.00pm to 3.30pm**. The afternoon will include family prayer, activities for children, sessions for parents, refreshments and time together as families. Please bring a picnic lunch. To book, email adultformation@rcdmidd.org.uk

***“By His wounds we are healed”: Day of Renewal and Healing with Middlesbrough Charismatic Diocesan Service of Communion, Saturday October 3rd 11:00am – 4:30pm** at St Paulinus R.C. Church Guisborough TS14 8DN. With: Praise and Worship, Talks, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Eucharistic Adoration, Prayer Ministry for Healing, Mass with Father Dominique Minskip.

The Diocesan Inspirational Study Day for Ministers of the Word & Holy Communion will be on **SATURDAY 19 September at The Spa Conference Centre in Scarborough**. Canon Paul Farrer and Deacon David Cross will lead our day and details of the speaker will follow shortly. Registration at 9.20 am and the day will end after Mass (approx finish time 3.00pm). If you would still like to attend, please tell Sue or Philip Westmacott or Catherine Duncan, so that arrangements can be made.

JOINT LEEDS & MIDDLESBROUGH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM 2026 will take place on **Sat, 26th September**. There will be a bus picking up from Saint Mary's Cathedral in Middlesbrough at 5:00 am and York Railway Station at 6:00 am before heading to Walsingham. The cost will be £40 pp. To book onto this Pilgrimage, please contact the Bishop's Secretary, Callum, at the Curial Office.

Little Hearts, Big Faith – Sat 10th October 2026, 1-4.30pm, English Martyrs Parish Hall, York. An inspirational afternoon led by Greg Finn (The Mark 10 Mission) for Children's Liturgy catechists. To book, please speak to your parish priest. Deadline for returning the booking form is the 2nd October.

LITURGICAL

***Holy Father's Prayer Intention for SEPTEMBER** – *For the care of water* - Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

***Cycle of Prayer – Ordinary Time: Autumn** - The Harvest, the Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation, Students and Teachers, The Spread of the Gospel, Justice and Peace in the world, Prisoners and their Families, All Victims of War, Young People.

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 sjgiftaid@gmail.com. You do not need to be a taxpayer to donate by standing order.

Digital giving (at St. Leonard's)

Either scan the QR code on the front of this newsletter or use the contactless card reader in church. Many thanks.

***Quote of the week** – “The real trick to life is not to be in the know – but to be in the mystery.”
Fred Alan Wolf