



# SCARBOROUGH CATHOLIC PARISHES

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**ST PETER, ST JOSEPH, ST EDWARD THE CONFESSOR**



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**WEEK COMMENCING 14 JANUARY 2018**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B**

**Divine Office: Week 2**

**Peace Sunday**

## **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (18 to 25 January)**

At least once a year, Christians are reminded of Jesus' prayer for his disciples that *"they may be one ...so that the world may believe"* (see John 17.21). Christians come together to pray for their unity. Congregations and parishes all over the world arrange special ecumenical celebrations and prayer services. The event that touches off this special experience is the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**. This **Octave (8 days)** takes place every year between **January 18th and 25th**, that is the eight days prior the liturgical celebration of the feast of the conversion of the Apostle of the gentiles, Saint Paul.

**The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity began in 1908** as the Octave of Christian Unity, and focused on prayer for church unity. The dates of the week were proposed by Father Paul Wattson, cofounder of the Graymoor Franciscan Friars. Pope Pius X officially blessed the concept, and Benedict XV "encouraged its observance throughout the entire Roman Catholic Church." Protestant leaders in the mid-1920s also proposed an annual octave of prayer for unity amongst Christians, leading up to Pentecost Sunday. Abbé Paul Couturier of Lyons, France, who has been called "the father of spiritual ecumenism", advocated prayer "for the unity of the Church as Christ wills it, and in accordance with the means he wills", thereby enabling other Christians with differing views of the Petrine ministry to join in the prayer. In 1935, he proposed naming the observance *"Universal Week of Prayer for Christian Unity"*, a proposal accepted by the Catholic Church in 1966. In 1941, the Faith and Order Conference changed the date for observing the week of unity prayer to that observed by Catholics. In 1948, with the founding of the World Council of Churches, the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity became increasingly recognised by different churches throughout the world.

In 1958, the French Catholic group Unité Chrétienne and the Faith and Order Commission of the World Council of Churches (a body which includes, among others, most of the world's Orthodox churches as well as many Anglican, Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist, Reformed, United and Independent churches) begin co-operative preparation of materials for the Week of Prayer.

**The year 1968**, 50 years ago, saw the first official use of materials prepared jointly by the Faith and Order Commission and the Pontifical Council for promoting Christian Unity, representing the entire Catholic Church.

This year, the **Churches of the Caribbean were chosen to draft the material for the 2018 Week of Prayer**. The contemporary Caribbean is deeply marked by the dehumanizing project of colonial exploitation. Very regrettably, during five hundred years of colonialism and enslavement, Christian missionary activity in the region, with exception of a few outstanding examples, was closely tied to this dehumanizing system and in many ways rationalized it and reinforced it. Whereas those who brought the Bible to this region used the scriptures to justify their subjugation of a people in bondage, in the hands of the enslaved, it became an inspiration, an assurance that God was on their side, and that God would lead them into freedom.

Today Caribbean Christians of many different traditions see the hand of God active in the ending of enslavement. It is a uniting experience of the saving action of God which brings freedom. The theme they chosen is: *"Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power"* (cf. Exodus 15:6).

We are honoured that our **Church of St Joseph, in Newby, is hosting this year Prayer Service for Christian Unity** in Scarborough on **Sunday 21 January 2018 at 6:30pm**. We meet at St Mark's Anglican Church (opposite St Joseph's Church), from where we start our Service and Procession to St Joseph's Church. Everyone is welcome. On Southcliff, our Church of St Edward will be holding prayers on **Tuesday, 23rd January at 11:30am**.

Speaking about the Catholic Church commitment towards ecumenism, Pope Francis, wrote in *Evangelii Gaudium*: *"Commitment to ecumenism responds to the prayer of the Lord Jesus that 'they may all be one' (Jn17:21). The credibility of the Christian message would be much greater if Christians could overcome their divisions and the Church could realize 'the fullness of catholicity proper to her in those of her children who, though joined to her by baptism, are yet separated from full communion with her' We must never forget that we are pilgrims journeying alongside one another. This means that we must have sincere trust in our fellow pilgrims, putting aside all suspicion or mistrust, and turn our gaze to what we are all seeking: the radiant peace of God's face. Trusting others is an art and peace is an art. Jesus told us: 'Blessed are the peacemakers' (Mt 5:9). In taking up this task, also among ourselves, we fulfil the ancient prophecy: 'They shall beat their swords into ploughshares' (Is 2:4)".*

**SPUC WHITE FLOWER APPEAL** with retiring collection **this weekend 13/14 January at all Masses.**

**MASS TIMES FOR WEEK COMMENCING 14 JANUARY 2018: 2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

Saturday	13	4pm	St Edward's Vigil	
Sunday	14	9.30am 10am 11.30am 5pm	St Peter's (Polish) St Joseph's St Peter's St Peter's	See printed copy for Mass Intentions
Monday	15	4pm	St Edward's	
Tuesday	16	9.30am 6.30pm	St Joseph's St Peter's	
Wednesday	17	9.30am	St Peter's <i>St Anthony of Egypt</i>	<b>Requiem Mass</b>
Thursday	18	9.30am 4pm	St Joseph's St Edward's	<i>(Unity Octave begins)</i>
Friday	19	9.30am	St Peter's <i>St Wulstan</i>	<b>Requiem Mass</b>
Saturday	20	9.30am	St Peter's <i>St Fabian; or St Sebastian</i>	

**SYRO-MALABAR MASS:** normally 4th Sunday of the month at 4pm at St Edward's Church.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

Saturdays	St Edward's	3.15 – 3.45pm
Sundays	St Joseph's	9.15 - 9.45am
Saturdays	St Peter's	10 - 10.30am



**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

Tuesday	St Joseph's	8.30 – 9.30am
Thursday	St Edward's	4.30 – 5pm
Saturday	St Peter's	10 – 10.30am



**MASSES RECEIVED:** see printed copy

**RECENTLY DEAD:** see printed copy

**REGULAR PARISH GROUPS** (more information from Parish Office)

**FATIMA ROSARY** St Peter's: **9am Fridays**; St Joseph's: **Thursdays after Mass**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** Fridays after Mass (St Peter's)

**SACRED HEART Devotion** Fridays after Mass (St Peter's)

**OUR LADY of Perpetual Help** devotion 3rd Wed. monthly (St Peter's after Mass)

**MOTHERS' PRAYERS** Tuesdays 12.30pm (St Peter's Parish Centre upper room)

**DIVINE MERCY Devotion** Fridays at 2.45pm (St Peter's)

**LEGION OF MARY** Saturdays 10.30am (St Peter's Parish Centre)

**LIFE ASCENDING** prayer group: 2nd Thursday monthly 10am (St Joseph's bungalow)

**EMMAUS** Scripture sharing fortnightly 2pm Thursday afternoons (St Edward's)

**SVP (St Vincent De Paul Society)** 7.30pm first Monday of month (St Peter's Parish Centre)

**UCM (Union of Catholic Mothers)** 1.30pm (winter), 7pm (summer) third Tuesday monthly (St Peter's Parish Centre)

**PARENTS & TODDLERS** Term time weekly Mondays 9.30am (St Joseph's Bungalow).

**CRAFT GROUPS:** St Peter's - last Tuesday of month; St Joseph's - normally 2-4pm fortnightly (bungalow).

**BARROWCLIFF CHURCHES TOGETHER LUNCH** 12pm to 1pm every 4th Tuesday of the month at Wreyfield Methodist Church

**OUR LADY'S PRAYER GROUP** 1st Thursday of the month 2pm to 4pm (St Joseph's Bungalow)

**YOUTH CLUB** Fridays, term-time weekly from 6.30-8pm at St Augustine's. For children in Years 5,6,7 & 8. £1 subs. Lots of activities. See posters for more info.

**BOOKINGS** of our Parish communal areas should be made through the Parish office thus avoiding double booking and upset.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** see printed copy

**MASS ATTENDANCE**

St Edward's Vigil 4pm (approx)	76
St Joseph's 10am	162
St Peter's 11.30am	200
St Peter's 5pm	52
<b>Total (inc. 84 children)</b>	<b>490</b>

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

St Edward's 4pm:	£153
St Joseph's 10am:	£224
St Peter's 11.30 & 5pm:	£337
Gift Aid envelopes total	£584
Standing orders (weekly av.):	£524
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£1,822</b>

**300 CLUB WINNERS**

See printed copy

**NOTICES FOR VISITORS**

**TOILETS** St Peter's: in the Parish Centre (across the car park); St Joseph's & St Edward's in the church building.

**ST PETER'S CHURCH IS OPEN** at certain times during the week. Call in and say a prayer. CCTV is in operation. Do sign our **VISITORS BOOK IN THE PORCH**

**CHEQUES** for offerings, donations, Mass Intentions, or Parish events payable to St Peter's Church please

**1ST CONFESSION & 1ST HOLY COMMUNION 2018** Any *year 4 child* in non-Catholic schools wishing to be prepared, get in touch with Fr Gubbins. **A PARENTS' & CATECHISTS MEETING** will be held at **7pm on Thursday 25 January** in the Parish Centre. The children are welcome. **A CATECHISTS MEETING** with class teachers will be held in St Peter's School at **3.30pm on Tuesday 16 January** to plan dates.

**THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** will be celebrated **Thursday 10 May 2018.7pm** Those wishing to be Confirmed in **Years 8** and upwards are eligible. Any adult who may have missed out also get in touch ASAP.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE** begins **Wednesday 7 February at 7pm** in St Peter's Parish Centre: *1 hour weekly on 7th, 21st & 28th Feb & 7 March (no meeting 14th – Ash Wednesday)*. Speak to Fr Gubbins if you want your child to be baptised.

**REQUIEM MASS** of Mrs.Pat Sutherland: **9.30am on Wednesday 17 January** at St Peter's. **REQUIEM MASS** of Gwendeline Muldoon **9.30am on Friday 19 January** at St Peter's. **FUNERAL SERVICE** of Colette Bacon: **12.45pm on Friday 19 January** at St Peter's.

**ECUMENICAL SONGS OF PRAISE** at South Cliff Methodist Church, Ramshill, **6.30pm Sunday 14 Jan** (today). Please come along and join us!

**UCM** next meeting is on **Tuesday 16 January – note new time of 1.30pm** during the winter months – in St Peter's Parish Centre. All welcome.

**YOUTH CLUB** resumes **6.30pm Friday 19 Jan** at St Augustine's School.

**ROSARY FOR THE UNBORN** and for World Peace: **Sunday 21 January at 2:45pm**. Phone the parish office for details of venue.

**PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY** at St Edward's Church: **Tuesday, 23rd January at 11:30am**. All welcome.

**SCARBOROUGH PARISHES LUNCH** will be **after the 11:30am Mass on Wednesday 24 January**. Contact the parish office on 07814 539452 to book.

**65TH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES** **Fri 25th May – Fri 1st June**. If there is any **deserving person** you know who wishes to go to Lourdes and needs some financial assistance let Fr Gubbins know.

**PILGRIMAGE TO NORTHERN SPAIN with Mgr Ricardo Morgan (PP at Saltburn):** **Friday 21- Friday 28 September 2018**. By air and coach, 7 nights half board. **£795 pp** (based on 2 sharing). Info & booking forms from Rory Connelly 01642 821204 / 07968 973668, email rorypcon@gmail.com.

**ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE** resumes Monday/Tuesday at St Edward's Church Hall **Mondays 2-4pm; Tuesdays 7.30 – 9.30pm**. All welcome.

**PART TIME VACANCY** Diocesan Representative to Catholic Charity, *Medaille Trust*: working to fight modern day slavery and human trafficking. Application & info from <http://www.medaille-trust.org.uk/jobs/>

**VOLUNTEER WORKERS** needed by the **Rainbow Centre**. If interested, or would like more info, contact Trish Kinsella 07447 095190, Lesley Usher 07391 254709, or Emma Walker 07812 431149.

**'ENTERTAINING ANGELS' Feast of Music and Dance:** Fundraiser for the Rainbow Centre. **7.30pm Saturday 3 February. Tickets £8 incl tea & Sausage Roll**. Phone the parish office for contact.

**REQUEST FOR USED CHRISTMAS CARDS:** **FRONT** part of your Christmas Cards so new Christmas Cards can be made from them. Phone the parish office for Contact telephone number.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE** Due to the National outbreak of flu **epidemic the Sign of Peace and Holy Communion from the Chalice** will be suspended for everybody until further notice. **Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers take note.**

**NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE & CONGRESS 2018: 'ADOREMUS' Friday 7 to Sunday 9 September in Liverpool:** Eucharistic Congresses are gatherings of all the faithful – clergy, religious and laity – which promote an awareness of the central place of the Eucharist in the life and mission of the Church. The last *International* Eucharistic Congress in England was held in 1908. The Congress in 2018 will be the first *National* Congress to be held in England and Wales. Around 10,000 from across the parishes and diocese are expected. Scarborough Parishes will be represented. The Congress is called *'Adoremus'* meaning *"let us adore"*.



**PEACE SUNDAY** is observed today across England & Wales. The theme chosen by Pope Francis is *Migrants and refugees: men and women in search of peace*. In it, he offers good wishes for peace, and invites us to embrace those fleeing war, hunger and persecution. He asks us to consider the reasons for migration: conflict and war. But he also acknowledges that for some it is the desire for a better life. He notes that some people consider the growth in migration as a threat, but asks that we view it with confidence, as an opportunity to build peace. **Read Pope Francis' full message** on the Vatican website at <https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/message/s/peace.index.html>

**CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK 18-25 January.** Theme this year: *Your Right Hand, O Lord, glorious in power* (Exodus 15:6). The resources have been prepared by the Churches of the Caribbean and raise some of the contemporary issues addressed by the churches of the Caribbean. **Resources** can be downloaded from the Churches Together in Britain & Ireland website and include **daily reflections** go to [www.ctbi.org.uk/resources-for-week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2018/](http://www.ctbi.org.uk/resources-for-week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2018/)

**SHORT HISTORY:** Christian Unity Week began in 1908 in New York. These days are set aside that we may share the Prayer of Jesus *"that they may all be one... so that the world may believe"* (John 17:21). **ECUMENICAL SUNDAY 21 January: Unity Service 6.30pm** at St Joseph's Church. Join Fr Albert and myself as we gather in prayer with fellow Christian believers. See posters in Church porches.

**THE RAINBOW CENTRE** provides **year-round** support to the homeless and disadvantaged of Scarborough and beyond. Winter is an *especially difficult* time for many. You can help by placing donations of non-perishable food and other daily living essentials in the boxes at back of Church (**please ensure items have a long 'use by' date**). Reopened last Tuesday

## PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Take us from where we are, to where you want us to be; make us not merely guardians of a heritage, but living signs of your coming Kingdom; fire us with passion for justice and peace between all people; fill us with that faith, hope and love which embody the Gospel; and through the power of the Holy Spirit make us one. That the world may believe, that your name may be enthroned in our nation, that your church may more effectively be your body, we commit ourselves to love you, serve you, and follow you as pilgrims not strangers. Amen.



### NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION:

"How much better family life would be if every day we lived according to the words: 'please', 'thank you' and 'I'm sorry'"  
- Pope Francis

## 104 TH WORLD MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES DAY 2018: Sunday 14 January

"Welcoming, protecting, promoting & integrating migrants and refugees" In his message to mark the day, Pope Francis stresses the need to create a welcoming environment for migrants and refugees stating that: "Every stranger who knocks at our door is an opportunity for an encounter with Jesus Christ, who identifies with the welcomed and rejected strangers of every age."

THE DEVIL IS AFRAID OF US WHEN WE **PRAY** AND MAKE **SACRIFICES**

HE IS ALSO AFRAID WHEN WE ARE **HUMBLE** AND **GOOD**

HE IS ESPECIALLY AFRAID WHEN WE **LOVE JESUS** VERY MUCH

HE RUNS AWAY WHEN WE MAKE THE **SIGN OF THE CROSS**

- ST. ANTHONY OF EGYPT -



## A Prayer for the New Year 2018

May we have enough **happiness** to keep us agreeable, enough **trials** to keep us strong, enough **sorrow** to keep us human, Enough **freedom** to keep us happy, Enough **failure** to keep us humble Enough **success** to keep us eager Enough **wealth** to meet our needs, Enough **faith in God** to banish depression, Enough **hope** to look forward, Enough **love** to give us comfort, and enough **determination** to keep going.

## SUNDAY SMILE:

Wife: "How would you describe me?"

Husband: "ABCDEFGHJKLM."

Wife: "What does that mean?"

Husband: "Adorable, beautiful, cute, delightful, elegant, fashionable, gorgeous, and hilarious"

Wife: "Aw, thank you, but what about LJK?"

Husband: "I'm just kidding!"

## WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

Dublin, Ireland, has been chosen by Pope Francis to host the next World Meeting of Families from **21-26 August 2018**, guided by the theme chosen by the Holy Father "**The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World**". Pope Francis will be in Ireland for this event.

Held every 3 years, this major international event brings together families from across the world to celebrate, pray and reflect upon the central importance of marriage and the family as the cornerstone of our lives, of society and of the Church. The programme of keynote speakers, workshops, talks, testimonies and discussions; an engaging and exciting programme for young people as well as fun activities for children, as well as daily celebration of the Eucharist, prayerful activities, exhibitions, cultural events and musical performances. For full programme and to book tickets and accommodation, go to <http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/>



DUBLIN, IRELAND

WORLD MEETING  
of FAMILIES

21-26 AUGUST 2018

**Today we hear the White Flower Appeal from the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children on A Woman's Choice. A Letter to a Paper by a relative of one of our Scarborough Parishioners .**

**Dear Editor.** In November the Northern papers reported from Downpatrick, Co. Down, on a criminal charge brought against a "**psychopathic former, mental health nurse**" for **strangling and butchering "an innocent, vulnerable dog"** which he then fed to another animal. I gather from the press that the judge thought it rational to regard the defendant's behaviour as "**bizarre and indicative of mental illness**", but in the conspicuous absence of such a defence he was convicted of "animal cruelty" and received a two-year sentence. I am inclined to view this sentence as comparatively inappropriate in the gloomy Light of the moral and ethical values of the pro-choice ideologies currently sweeping through Europe and Ireland. These ideologies now determine what is alive, if what is alive is human and, if human, how long he or she should live.

Whilst I unreservedly condemn animal cruelty, I more vehemently condemn the ubiquitous, pro-choice annihilation of humans - summarily sentenced to death in the womb as mere blobs of jelly or collections of cells or undeveloped embryos, thoughtlessly discarded in hospitals and abortion theatres as clinical waste with no human status.

If I were to describe these aspects of the pro-choice ideology as "barbaric" (as the judge described the dog-killer) I doubt if Ann Furedi, the C.E.O of the British Pregnancy Advisory Service, would concur; though it is likely that she would echo the judge's description of the canine slaughter as "barbaric". I can only imagine that when she appeared on L.T.V.'s 'Loose Women' promoting gendecide and the scrapping of the 24-week limit on abortion, the word "barbaric" never entered her head. Her insistence on the primacy of a woman's choice reigned supreme so that the unborn, at all times and in all circumstances, even up until birth, should have his or her life lived under the poised guillotine of fatality, legally engineered by pro-choice ideologists. In the **UK, under the 1967 Abortion Act**, if a woman is emotionally disturbed because of the sex of her unborn baby, doctors can authorise sex-selective gendecide as a cure for that depressive state of mind.

Yet we remain unenlightened; despite the upward trend in pro-choice moralities, we hardly consciously "choose" our politics or politicians. Worryingly, from such sources come our legislators and laws; consequently, our electoral behaviour and historical allegiances may render us passive accessories to a holocaust that we refuse to recognise. Our civilisation must be seriously "psychopathic" when the brutal killing of a dog may, rightly, be described as "barbaric" - whilst gendecide is considered a medical remedy for depression. If so, Hippocrates must be turning in his grave.



**ARCH (Abortion Recovery Care & Helpline)** offers help to women, men and families to restore their lives and relationships after an abortion experience. They offer non-judgemental, confidential support via their helpline (**0845 6038501 local rate 7pm-10pm daily, or 9am-5pm Mon-Fri**). They also offer one-to-one counselling and support groups (**01412265407 9am-5pm Mon-Fri or ask via the Helpline**)