

SCARBOROUGH CATHOLIC PARISHES



CHURCHES OF ST PETER, ST JOSEPH, ST EDWARD THE CONFESSOR



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WEEK COMMENCING 12 MAY 2019

Divine Office: Week 4

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POPE FRANCIS' MESSAGE FOR THE 2019 WORLD DAY OF VOCATIONS

The Courage To Take Risks For God's Promise



In his message for this year's **56th World Day of Prayer for Vocations**, Pope Francis urges Catholics to pray that the Lord may help us discover His plan of love for our lives and grant us the courage to walk in the path He has chosen for each of us.

Promise and risk

The **message** is a reflection on *"how the Lord's call makes us bearers of a promise and, at the same time, asks of us the courage to take a risk, with him and for him"*. Just as Simon, Andrew, James and John had a mixed fortune in their catch of fish, the Pope said, *"much of life is like that"*. Sometimes we enjoy a good catch, sometimes we need the courage to keep our boat from being tossed by the waves and at times we are frustrated with empty nets. It is at this moment that Jesus approaches the fishermen, breaks through the *"paralysis of routine"* and promises to make them fishers of men. We too were surprised by the promise of a joy that is capable of bringing fulfilment to our lives, when we

met the person to marry or when we first felt the attraction for consecrated life.

Lord's call, not an intrusion

Rather than an intrusion in our freedom, a *"cage"* or a burden, the Pope said, the Lord's call is a loving initiative whereby God encounters us and invites us to be part of a great undertaking. He opens before our eyes the horizon of a greater sea and an abundant catch. However, embracing the Lord's promise demands the courage to risk making a decision: of putting ourselves on the line and facing a great challenge. Leaving behind the security of our **little boat** that prevents us from making a definitive choice, he said, we are called to be bold and decisive in seeking God's plan for our lives, trusting in the Lord's promise.

Call to Christian life

This, the Pope said, is part of the call to Christian life that we all have received in baptism. It is born and develops through the liturgy, God's grace, the sacraments, God's word, prayer and fraternal sharing. The Christian life thus finds expression in our decisions that give a precise direction to our personal journey and also contribute to the growth of God's kingdom in our world. These vocations make us bearers of a promise of goodness, love and justice, not only for ourselves but also for our societies and cultures, which need courageous Christians and authentic witnesses of the kingdom of God.

Do not be deaf to God's call

Speaking about the **call to consecrated life and priesthood**, the Pope said it can excite as well as frighten us. Our decision to risk leaving behind everything to follow the Lord can meet much resistance in today's highly secularized contexts. The Holy Father thus urged young people **not to be deaf to the Lord's call**, saying there can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord. He acknowledged it is not always easy to discern our vocation and to steer our life in the right direction. Hence the whole Church - priests, religious, pastoral workers and educators - needs to provide young people with opportunities for listening and discernment. Youth ministry and promotion of vocations along with prayer, meditation, on God's Word, Eucharistic adoration and spiritual accompaniment help in discovering God's plan. Pope Francis offered young people **the model of Mary**, whose vocation, he said, was both a promise and a risk. Her mission was not easy, yet through her 'yes' she did not allow fear to prevail.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father, you called Abraham and Moses to lead your people into a promised land and filled them with your spirit: raise up leaders for your Church in this generation, who will make your word known and be faithful stewards of your mysteries, that your people may be nourished with the word of life and bread of heaven. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

PRAYER FOR EXAMS

Lord, pour out your Spirit of Wisdom on our students: help them to remain calm, to attend carefully to the questions asked, to think clearly, to remember accurately, and to express themselves well. Grant that they may reflect on the best of the work they have done and the best of the teaching they have received. Accept their best efforts in these examinations and in the great test of life on earth. May your love be upon them, O Lord, as they place all their trust in you. We ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN

Read the Pope's full message at <https://zenit.org/articles/holy-fathers-message-for-2019-world-day-of-vocations/>

MASS TIMES WEEK COMMENCING 12 MAY 2019

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY VIGIL	11	6.30pm	St Edward's	For Mass Intentions see printed copy
SUNDAY	12	9.30am 10am 11.30am 5pm	St Peter's (Polish) St Joseph's St Peter's St Peter's	
Monday	13	6.30pm	St Edward's	<i>Our Lady of Fatima</i>
Tuesday	14	9.30am 6.30pm	St Joseph's St Peter's	<i>ST MATTHIAS, APOSTLE</i>
Wednesday	15	9.30am	St Peter's	<i>DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL</i>
Thursday	16	9.30am 6.30pm	St Joseph's St Edward's	
Friday	17	9.30am	St Peter's	
Saturday	18	9.30am	St Peter's	<i>St John I</i>

SYRO-MALABAR MASS: normally 3rd Sunday of the month at 4pm at St Edward's Church Avenue Victoria

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession):

Saturdays	St Edward's	5.45 - 6.15pm
Sundays	St Joseph's	9.15 - 9.45am
Saturdays	St Peter's	10 - 10.30am



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Tuesday	St Joseph's	8.30 - 9.30am
Thursday	St Edward's	6.00 - 6.30pm
Saturday	St Peter's	10 - 10.30am



WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS TO OUR CHURCHES. COFFEE/TEA SERVED AFTER 11.30AM IN PARISH CENTRE

SANCTUARY LAMP
DEDICATED THIS WEEK TO
SEE PRINTED COPY

MASSES RECEIVED:

See printed copy

RECENTLY DECEASED

See printed copy

ANNIVERSARIES:

See printed copy

300 CLUB WINNERS
No.28 **£100**

MASS ATTENDANCE

St Peter's 11.30am	158
St Peter's 5pm	61
St Joseph's 10am	187
St Edward's Vigil	66
Polish Mass (approx)	110
Total (including children)	582

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

St Edward's loose plate 4pm:	£107
St Joseph's loose plate 10am:	£205
St Peter's loose plate 11.30am/5pm:	£432
Gift Aid envelopes total:	£538
Standing orders (weekly av.):	£524
Polish Mass	£30
Total:	£1,836

Cheques payable to St Peter's church

NOTICES FOR VISITORS:

TOILETS St Peters: back of Parish Centre (*across car park down steps*); St Joseph's & St Edward's located in the church building. *Always accompany your children to the toilets.*

ST PETER'S CHURCH IS OPEN at certain times during the week. Call in & say a prayer and light a candle. **Security CCTV is in operation.**

REGULAR PARISH GROUPS (more information from Parish Office)

ROSARY for Unborn St Peter's: 9.10am Fridays; St Joseph's: Thurs after Mass

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

ANGELUS Saturday morning after Mass (St Peter's) **Sundays** St Joseph's

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

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

MOTHERS' PRAYERS Tuesdays 12pm (St Peter's Parish Centre Upper room)

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

LEGION OF MARY Saturdays after Exposition (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), 7.15pm (summer-time) third Tuesday monthly (St Peter's Parish Centre)

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

PRAY & PLAY Adoration of Blessed Sacrament & activities for children 0-9 (with adult). Monthly 2nd Saturday 10-11.30am (St Edward's)

CRAFT GROUPS: St Peter's 7-9pm last Tuesday of month (Parish Centre); St Joseph's normally 2-4pm fortnightly (St Joseph's bungalow)

OUR LADY'S PRAYER GROUP 1st Thursday of the month 2pm to 4pm at house of parishioner (Contact the parish office)

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION

PREPARATION MASS for families today **Sunday 12 May at the 11.30am** at St Peter's.

PARENTS' MEETING for ALL parents **Thursday 6 June at 7pm** at St Peter's school.

THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION will be celebrated in 2 parts.

Part 1 - **St Joseph's 10am Mass on Sunday 16 June**; Part 2 - **St Peter's 11.30am Mass on Sunday 23 June** (*Feast of Corpus Christi*) *We have 32 children in preparation.*

There is a REGISTER in each Church, with the children's names and it is to be signed each week by each child, whichever Mass they attend, at whichever church.

POLISH FIRST HOLY COMMUNION at today's **9.30am** Polish Mass at St Peter's today **Congratulations to the 12 children** and their families.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE 4 meetings of **an hour each** over **4 weeks: 7-8pm on Monday 24 June & Wednesday 3, 10 and 17 July**. You will also be expected to attend 2 'in-Mass' celebrations at St Peter's **11.30am Masses on Sunday 7 and Sunday 21 July**. *Speak to Fr Gubbins if you would like your child baptised.*

VOCATIONS SUNDAY is **this weekend 11/12 May** when we pray the Lord to send more *labourers to the harvest*. retiring collection. We have **1 student** for the diocese. **VOCATIONS WEEKEND for young women**. Prayer and reflection on the vocation to religious life with the Sisters of the **Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ)**. **24-26 May** in Liverpool. Email lynnefej@hotmail.com or visit www.fcjsisters.org.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL Meeting: 6.30pm Wednesday 22 May in St Peter's Parish Centre. Members do your best to attend. Items for Agenda from members & parishioners to the Parish Office by **12 noon on Monday 13 May**.

OPEN MASS at Madonna House 2pm on Tuesday 13 May. Stay for a short reflection offered by Fr Michael Bayldon & refreshments. All are welcome.

UCM ANNUAL VISIT to Madonna House: Tuesday 21 May, depart 6pm from Scarborough for Mass at 7pm. If you need a lift contact the parish office.

UCM REMINDER Afternoon Tea at South Cliff Golf Club at **2pm on 28 May**. Numbers required asap – contact the parish office.

SOUTH CLIFF CHURCHES TOGETHER AGM 2pm on Tuesday 21 May at South Cliff Methodist Church, with cream tea. Pope Francis encourages us to be outward-looking, ecumenical in spirit. Please do not exclude yourself - EVERYONE is welcome!

SPRINGTIDE Ecumenical Prayer for Scarborough, **Sundays on 19 May, 16 June & 21 July** at St Mary's Church. Prayer intention: *Lord Cleanse Your People*.

CHRISTIAN AID CAKE SALE 10am to 4pm daily Tue 14 to Sat 18 May in Boyes. Volunteers needed to provide cakes and man the stalls. Phone Margaret Welsh 584505. **66TH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES Fri.24 to Fri. 31 May**, led by Bishop Draine. **Cakes are taken to Lourdes** for the afternoon teas for the sick. If you are willing to bake a cake, add your name to the list and we will give you further details. We can get these cakes to Middlesbrough so that they can take them.

DEMENTIA FRIEND & AWARENESS TALK The Scarborough Alzheimer's Society will come to talk to our parish at **6.30pm on Wednesday 29 May** at St Edward's Church Hall. Learn more about how to spot the signs and how to help a person you think may have dementia, be it a family member, friend, or someone in the parish or society, or to become a Dementia Friend. **All welcome**

NATIONAL DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM unfortunately has had to be called off, due to the day bus needing 2 drivers and being too expensive at £1,100. 24 people signed up.

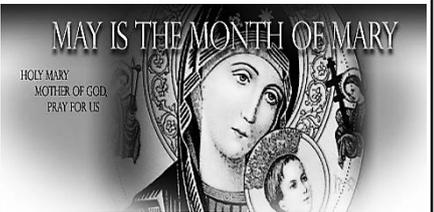
COLLECTION MONEY Please do not put old or foreign coins in the offertory or any other collection, as they **jam the coin counting machine**.

LIVE STREAMING OF MASSES AT ST PETER'S Some are experiencing difficulty with the stream. Go to website and click <http://mux01.rmacd.com/view.php/latest>

SECOND COLLECTION for Lepra last weekend came to **£1,010**. Well done & thank you!

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE is **Thursday** but space runs out quickly, so try to submit your notices ASAP to be sure of inclusion (subject to the approval of the Parish Priest). Keep notices short (we reserve the right to edit). If you want to be added to our **electronic mailing list**, please email us.

MASS INTENTIONS: We do try to honour requested dates, but this is not always possible. Give an alternative date.



SHRINES OF OUR LADY OF DIFFERENT COUNTRIES & DEVOTIONS. Individuals and groups are invited to create a Shrine in the windows of St Peters church. So Far we have *Our Lady of Carfin (Scotland), Combermere (Canada), Velankanni (South India), Czestochowa (Poland), Lourdes (France), Walsingham (UK), & All Nations*. These will remain on display throughout May. Remove at **the end of May**. Do find time to read about each Shrine as you walk around.

ROSARIES & CHAPLETS DISPLAY at *St Joseph's church* for the month of May (*Month of Mary*).

Do come along to have a look at these displays.

EXHIBITION OF EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD



IN SCARBOROUGH July is dedicated to the **Most Precious Blood of Jesus**. Our Scarborough Parishes are privileged to be **hosting** this Vatican approved exhibition for the month of July. *More info & programme to follow*. The exhibition is large and will be spread across the **three churches**. We need **more display boards** suitable for 60cm x 80cm display items. If you have, or know anyone who has any we could borrow, please speak to Fr Gubbins or Liz White.

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM (LOCAL PARISHES) Tue 13 to Fri 16 August. Standard single/twin £210; En-suite twin £250 (*no single en-suites*). Child £100. Price includes bed, breakfast, evening meal & all travel. Payment plans accepted. Contact the parish office for contact info. **£40** non refundable deposit required.

DIOCESAN PADRE PIO PILGRIMAGE ITALY(St Pio) of Pietrelcina at San Giovanni Rotondo, led by Bishop Draine: **2 to 6 October**. See **Catholic Voice** for more information and how to book. Cost **£699** approx

ST PETER'S CHURCH WEBCAM **(LIVE STREAMING !!)**
LIVE STREAMING OF MASSES

Housebound, and even family & friends overseas can live-link with us for *St Peter's Sunday and weekday Masses* on their home computers and laptop and smartphone. Go to the Parish Website: www.scarboroughcatholicparishes.org.uk and click "**Launch Stream**" *Ring Presbytery on 01723 360358 if there is an error*

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTIONS: MAY

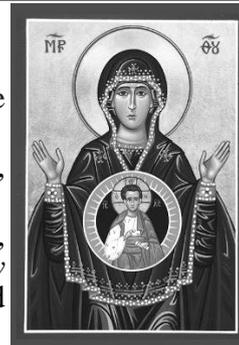
That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.



MARIAN TEACHINGS OF THE CHURCH (PART 2) Final part next week.

MARY Mediatrix & Co-redemptrix

- The title *Mediatrix* refers to the **intercessory** role of the Blessed Virgin Mary as a mediator in the salvific redemption by her son Jesus Christ.
- **Mediatrix** is an ancient title used by a number of saints since at least the **5th century**. Its use grew, especially in the writings of saints Louis de Montfort and Alphonsus Liguori in the 18th century.
- The term *Mediatrix* was applied to Mary in the Second Vatican Council Constitution *Lumen Gentium*, which says this is to be "*so understood that it neither takes away from nor adds anything to the dignity and efficaciousness of Christ, the one Mediator*". Jesus is the *one* mediator between the Father and man. Mary does not mediate with the Father, but with her Son – and so bringing *us* to Jesus.
- One of the oldest teachings of the Church is of Mary as the **New Eve**. Just as the **first Eve** really contributed to the disaster of original sin, so **Mary, the New Eve**, really contributes to removing it. The knot of Eve's disobedience was untied by Mary's obedience: what the virgin Eve bound through her disbelief, Mary loosened by her faith.
- Mary gave her unconditional assent and co-operation to God's plan of salvation of mankind when she became Jesus' Mother. She continued to practice the *obedience of faith* up to and including the sacrificial death of her Son, and even to present day through her apparitions – like the one at **Fatima** in Portugal, the Feast Day of which is celebrated on **Monday** this week.
- In the gospel passages in which Mary appears, our Blessed Mother always presented our Lord to others: the shepherds, the Magi, the priest Simeon, and the wedding party at Cana, at which she interceded with Our Lord when the wine ran dry.
- By agreeing to bring Jesus into the world, Mary became a "*cause*" of our Salvation. She is Mother of the Redeemer and as such, can be seen as a **mediator of our redemption**.



Queen of Heaven

- The Queenship of Mary refers to Mary's royal dignity as Mother of the King of Kings, Jesus Christ. This title takes nothing away from Jesus' own Kingship, but rather is a consequence of it. The theological and logical foundation of this title rests in the dogma of Mary as the Mother of God.
- The teaching that the Virgin Mary has been crowned Queen of Heaven goes back to early patristic writers of the Church such as St Gregory Nazianzen.
- In Judaism, because of polygamy, the queen was typically the mother of the king, not his wife. Mary's Queenship stems from Jesus' Kingship. In the Hebrew Bible, under some Davidic kings, the *gebirah*, the "Great Lady", usually the Mother of the King, held great power as advocate with the king, such as Solomon's mother Bathsheba, seated on a throne at his right: "*Make your request, Mother, for I will not refuse you.*" 1 Kings 2:20 She can be seen as a sort of type of Mary
- The Church views Mary as the woman clothed with the sun with the moon under her feet and a crown of twelve stars on her head in the Book of Revelation 12:1-3.

THE REREDOS ALTARPIECE MIDDLESBROUGH CATHEDRAL

This **Wednesday 15 May** we celebrate the **Feast of the Dedication of the Cathedral opened 1986**. As such, it would seem fitting to take a brief look at this colourful 'backdrop' to the altar by artist, **Bob Brumby**. According to the Diocesan website, an abstract design was chosen so as not to distract the eye from the Altar ceremonies. But some may wonder at the meaning of this colourful piece. Unusually the artist gives no indication, and we are left to decide for ourselves. Monsignor Gerard Robinson PP has his own interpretation. See www.middlesbroughcathedral.org/the-reredos/ where you will also find a colour image. Looking at it we need to appreciate that an **altarpiece** serves a purpose – that of **drawing** us into the meaning of the event taking place upon the altar – Christ's Sacrifice for our salvation. The dramatic dynamic includes the roof structure and window, and shows **heaven coming down to the altar**, and taking us back up. The image itself is in **colours** associated with the **Holy Trinity** – from the heavenly light of the window we follow down through **gold swirls** (*glory of God*) through **lush green fields** and a river (*life-giving Holy Spirit*) to **deep red** (*blood of Christ*) which spreads out as if covering the surface of the altar. Half way up the image are some **arches** - a traditional symbol of Christ is that of a **bridge** between earth and heaven. Other symbols are more ambiguous but may include **fish and nets**, symbols of the **evangelists** and **architectural structures**. *When next at the Cathedral, have a look and see what you can see!*

SUNDAY SMILE

I went to the off Licence Friday afternoon on my bicycle, bought a bottle of Scotch and put it in the basket. As I was about to leave, I thought to myself that if I fell off my bike, the bottle would break. So I drank it all before cycling home. It turned out to be a very good decision as I fell off my bicycle several times on the way home.

SANCTUARY LAMP If you would like to '**sponsor**' the **7-day Sanctuary Lamp** in memory a loved one who has died, pick up a **SANCTUARY LAMP envelope** from Church porch. Place **name of deceased** inside envelope together **with donation** (suggested **£3**). The name will then be placed in the parish newsletter (*note: no requested dates*). ~ **The Sanctuary Lamp is a candle contained in a red lamp, which indicates the presence of the Blessed Sacrament reserved in the Tabernacle.**

