



**OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA**  
**CATHOLIC PARISHES OF BRIDLINGTON – EASTFIELD – FILEY**  
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**MASS TIMES & SERVICES**

**3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - 25th January 2026 (week 3)**

Saturday	24th	Eastfield	4pm	<i>Vigil of 3rd Sunday in Ordinary time</i>	Gemma Fell
		Bridlington	6pm		John Webster
Sunday	25th	Bridlington	9am	<i>3rd Sunday in Ordinary time</i>	Bernard Rooney
		Filey	11am		Anthony & Kath White (T'giving)
Monday	26th	Bridlington	10am	SS Timothy & Titus	Rosanne Grzeskowiak
		Eastfield	10am		November List
Tuesday	27th	Filey	10am	St Angela Merici	Deceased of Halifax family
Wed'day	28th	Bridlington	10am	St Thomas Aquinas	Neil Drinkell
Thursday	29th	Filey	10am	Feria	Sheila Swales
Friday	30th	Bridlington	10am	Requiem Mass for the late Mrs Anne-Marie Harran	
		Eastfield	11:30am	Requiem Mass for the late Mrs Sheila Swales	
		Bridlington	3-4pm	<i>Divine Mercy, Holy Hour and Confessions</i>	
Saturday	31st	Eastfield	4pm	<i>Vigil of 4th Sunday in Ordinary time</i>	Andrew, Peter & Jennifer Mary
		Bridlington	6pm		The Parishes
Sunday	1st	Bridlington	9am	<i>4th Sunday in Ordinary time</i>	Wilfredo Gregorio
		Filey	11am		Maureen Nitrato-Izzo

**3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time: Sunday of the Word of God**

Each year, the Church sets aside a special Sunday to celebrate the Word of God. Known as Sunday of the Word of God, it invites us to reflect more deeply on Sacred Scripture and to renew our love for God's Word.

**Where did it come from?** Sunday of the Word of God was established by Pope Francis in 2019. He chose the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time so that, each year, the whole Church could focus together on the Bible and its central place in our faith. He said that the day should be *"given over entirely to the word of God, so as to appreciate the inexhaustible riches contained in that constant dialogue between the Lord and his people"*.

**Why does it matter?** For Christians, Scripture is God speaking to us today. When the Word of God is proclaimed at Mass, Christ himself is present and addresses his people. This Sunday reminds us that listening to God's Word is essential to knowing Jesus and living as his disciples.

**What are we invited to do?** Sunday of the Word of God is not only about hearing Scripture at Mass—something we do every week—but about letting the Word of God shape our lives. The Church encourages us to:

1. Listen attentively to the readings at Mass.
2. Spend time reading the Bible at home.
3. Pray with Scripture, perhaps using the daily readings.
4. Reflect on how God's Word calls us to conversion, hope, and love.



This Sunday highlights the unity between Scripture, the Eucharist, and the life of the Church. Just as we are nourished by the Body of Christ, we are also nourished by the Word of God. Both strengthen us for our mission in the world. Sunday of the Word of God is a simple but powerful reminder: God is speaking. The question for each of us is whether we are ready to listen—and to respond.



**11th February: Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes (1st Apparition)**

**Healing Masses:** Monday, 9th February - St George's Church Eastfield at 10am; Tuesday, 10th February - St Mary's Church, Filey at 10am; Wednesday, 11th February - Our Lady & St Peter Church, Bridlington at 12noon.

On the 11th February, Mass in Bridlington will be at 12 noon, including the sacrament of the Sick, followed by a small inside church procession and the rosary. SVP will like to invite all attending for a soup lunch at the Hall, following the celebration. The Church of Our Lady and St Peter will be open on that day from 8am till 6pm for anyone who likes to visit, put flowers in front of our Lady, and/or pray the Rosary.

## PARISH NOTICES

- **The Parish office hours** are Wednesday, 28th January between 2 and 4 pm.
- We pray for the repose of the soul of Anne-Marie Harran, Marie Wood, Sheila Swales and Gordon Thistlewood. Condolences to all their families and dear ones. The funeral service for the late Mrs **Marie Wood** is at the East Riding Crematorium at Octon, on Tuesday, 27th January at 2:30pm. The Requiem Mass for the late **Anne-Marie Harran** is at Our Lady and St Peter's Church, Bridlington, on Friday, 30th January, at 10am. The Requiem Mass for the late **Sheila Swales** is at St George's Church, Eastfield, on Friday, 30th January, at 11.30am; Mrs Swales will be received in the Church on Thursday, 29th January at 6pm. Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord...
- If you or your children are interested in receiving the **sacraments** of Baptism, 1st Holy Communion (age 8 upwards), the sacrament of Confirmation, or to be received in the Catholic Church, please contact immediately on email: **starofthesea@rcdmidd.org.uk** as soon as possible. Catechism classes will start at end of January.
- **Lectors** (Readers of the word): This Sunday, we celebrate the Sunday of the Word of God. On all masses this weekend Lectors are invited to renew their commitment and receive the Mandate as Lectors.
- **SVP:** If you wish to learn more about the work of the SVP or how to become a member, please join us for a Zoom information session on one of the following dates: Monday 2nd February 11a.m.–12 noon, Tuesday, 3rd February 7p.m.–8p.m., Thursday 5th February, 4p.m.–5p.m. To receive a link please email Teresa O'Hagan **teresao@svp.org.uk** with the date and time you prefer.
- **Eastfield:** Work will start to replace the toilets at St George's Church this Monday. Work is expected to be completed by the end of February. There will be no available toilets at St George's during this time. The expected cost is of £25,000 (including VAT) of which we were given a grant of £19,200 from York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority and UK government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.
- **Eastfield: Prayer group** will be meeting at St George's Church from 6pm till 7:30pm on **5th February**; 19th February; 5th March; 19th March; 16th April; 30th April.
- Pope Leo XIV **prayer intention for the month of January** is for prayer with the Word of God. Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

### Church Collections during weekend 17-18th January

Bridlington: attendance -181; collection- **£338.74**

Eastfield: attendance- 41; collection- **£226.10**

Filey: attendance - 83; collection - **£341.50**

### Church Fundraising

- The winning number of the **Bonus Ball** Eastfield & Filey on Saturday, 17th January was **4**. The **Club 150** Bridlington drawn on Sunday, 18th January was **122**. Congratulations for the winners and thank you all for participating.



Today 475 people will be diagnosed with leprosy, more than 25 of these will be children. Leprosy is a disease that affects the nerve endings in the hands and feet and can affect the blink reflex of the eyelids. If not treated early enough it can cause life-changing disabilities and even blindness. One-in-two people diagnosed with leprosy suffer moderate to severe depression and anxiety due to the prejudice and discrimination associated with the disease. Evidence shows over 3 million people are living with undiagnosed leprosy. Over 4 million people are living with a life-changing disability caused by leprosy. Truth is that it is curable!

2024 was Lepra's Centenary Year and for over 100 years Lepra's research has led to new and innovative approaches to healthcare programmes. **Lepra** seeks to provide better detection, treatment and support mechanisms, to advocate for those without a voice, to challenge prejudice wherever it exists, to strengthen local health systems and to help provide sustainable healthcare in partnership with local communities for a future free from the terrible impact of the disease.

To read some real-life stories of some of the beneficiaries whose lives have been changed through the work of Lepra, please visit [www.lepra.org.uk](http://www.lepra.org.uk).

With your help we can find, diagnose and treat more people affected by leprosy so that they will have a brighter future, full of hope. If you would like further information, please contact [LauriceJ@lepra.org.uk](mailto:LauriceJ@lepra.org.uk) Please help us beat leprosy – even the smallest contribution can help treat and rehabilitate people trapped by this disease.

**Our 2nd Collection today goes to support the work of LEPRA**