



# OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

## CATHOLIC PARISHES OF BRIDLINGTON – EASTFIELD – FILEY

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### MASS TIMES & SERVICES

#### 6th Sunday of Easter (C) - 25th May 2025 (week 2)

Masses and Devotions are livestreamed on our YOUTUBE Channel: [Our Lady&StPeter, Bridlington](#)  
or click livestream button on our Website page: <http://catholicstarofthesea.co.uk>

Saturday	24th	Eastfield	4:00pm	Vigil of the 6th Sunday of Easter	David Kenneally
		Bridlington	6:00pm		Wanda & Felix Nowis
Sunday	25th	Bridlington	9:00am	6th Sunday of Easter	The Parishes
		Filey	11:00am		Margaret Mitchell
Monday	26th	Eastfield	10am	Morning Prayer & Rosary	
		Bridlington	6pm	Mass: S.Philip Neri	Private int (J.Cronin)
			6:30-8pm	Confirmation Catechism at Hall	
Tuesday	27th	Bridlington	10am	Mass: Augustine Canterbury	The Parishes
Wed'day	28th	Bridlington	10am	Mass of Easter	Louise Mary Jose
Thursday Ascension Day of Obligation	29th	Bridlington	10am	Mass	Amini Joseph
		Filey	12noon	Mass	Christine Barrowcliff
		Eastfield	6pm	Mass	Henry family
			6:30-8pm	Prayer Meeting	
Friday	30th	Bridlington	10am	Mass of Easter	Patrick Lenehan
			3-4pm	Holy Hour & Confessions	
Saturday	31st	Eastfield	4:00pm	Vigil of the 7th Sunday of Easter	Roy Kelly (Health)
		Bridlington	6:00pm		Mary Bonaker
Sunday	1st	Bridlington	9:00am	7th Sunday of Easter	Rev. Richard Hare
		Filey	11:00am		Doris Schembri

### PARISH NOTICES

- ♦ **Parish Office Contact Hours for this week are Wednesday, 28th May, 2pm-4pm.**
- ♦ We pray for the soul of **Rev. Richard Hare** of Emmanuel Church, Bridlington, who passed away on Friday 23rd May. Our Condolences to his family and the Community of Emmanuel Church.
- ♦ **National Ecumenical Pilgrimage in York:** Wednesday, 18th June 2025 at 2 pm. The late Holy Father, Pope Francis, gave this Jubilee Year the title "Pilgrims of Hope", and, as sisters and brothers in Christ, we are coming together in the historic pilgrimage site of York Minster to renew our baptismal promises as fellow Christians on the pilgrimage of unity. On Wednesday, 18th June 2025, at 2 pm, we will gather at the south door of York Minster. There we will wait as the Archbishop of York and the Bishop of Middlesbrough walk together from the shrine of St Margaret Clitheroe towards the Minster. When they arrive, we all enter together into York Minster for a service celebrating our common baptism and reaffirming our baptismal commitment to hope and unity. The service will end around 3.30 pm and there be refreshments afterwards.

### Fundraising

- ♦ **Filey:** All are welcome to join us for a Delicious Afternoon Tea at St. Mary's Parish Hall on Sunday 15th June from 3 to 5pm. Tickets £10 from Diane Whitehead. proceeds to Building Fund.
- ♦ The winning number of the **Bonus Ball** Eastfield & Filey on Saturday, 17th May was **26**. The **Club 200** Bridlington drawn on Sunday, 18th May, was **105**. Congratulations for the winners and thank you all for participating.

### 2nd Collections in May - June

24-25th May: Building Fund

31-1st June: Catholic Communication Sunday

7-8th June: Mission - Visiting Nuns to support their Mission

14-15th June: Day of Life

28-29th June: Peter's Pence

## **29th May: The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord (Day of Obligation)**

Each year, 40 days after Easter, Christians around the world mark the Ascension of the Lord. This solemn feast celebrates the moment that Jesus Christ physically was raised into Heaven in the presence of His apostles. After rising from the dead on Easter Sunday, Jesus remained with His disciples for 40 days. During that time, He continued to teach, appeared to many people, and prepared His followers for what would come next. Then, on the 40th day, He led them to the Mount of Olives, blessed them, and was taken up into Heaven. This event is recorded in several places in the Bible: Mark 16:19; Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:6-12. In Catholic tradition, the Ascension is a Holy Day of Obligation in many parts of the world, meaning Catholics are expected to attend Mass.

**What the Ascension Tells Us?** The Ascension is not just the end of Jesus time on Earth. It's also a turning point for the Church and a sign of what comes next in the Christian story. Here are three key messages behind the Ascension:

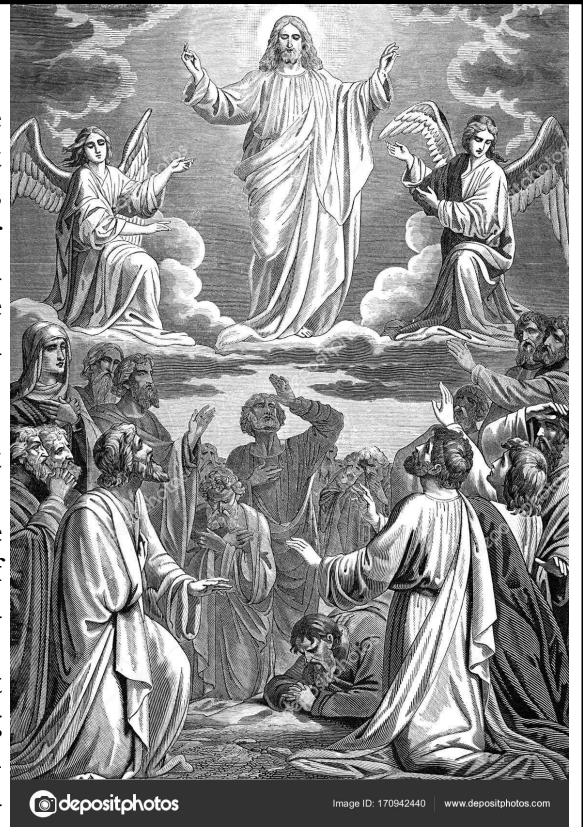
1. *Jesus Completes His Work on Earth:* The Ascension marks the completion of Jesus' mission. He came to teach, to heal, to suffer, die and rise again. After His resurrection, His final act was to return to the Father. This signals that His saving work was done.
2. *He Opens Heaven to Us:* By returning to Heaven, Jesus opens the way for all who follow Him. The Ascension is a sign of hope that eternal life is possible. He goes to prepare a place for His followers (John 14:2-3).
3. *The Mission Continues:* Before ascending, Jesus gave His apostles a mission: to go and make disciples of all nations. The Church begins to take shape here. He promises the Holy Spirit, who will guide and empower His followers to carry out this mission. That promise is fulfilled at Pentecost, 10 days later. So, the Ascension also points directly to Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles. Jesus' final promise before ascending was that His followers would receive the Holy Spirit, who would give them power to witness to the ends of the Earth (Acts 1:8). In the ten days between Ascension and Pentecost, Catholics are encouraged to pray the Novena to the Holy Spirit, which is considered the oldest novena in the Church.

**Why It Still Matters Today?** The Ascension is a reminder that the Christian mission continues. Jesus' time on Earth came to an end, but the work He started is ongoing. His followers are called to carry His message forward—not only in words, but in action. The Ascension of the Lord is not only a moment in history—it's a message for the Church today. It teaches us that:

1. Jesus is now with the Father, but still present in His Church
2. Heaven is our goal, and the way is open
3. The mission He gave us is still urgent

The Ascension invites us to live with purpose, rooted in faith and pointing toward Heaven.

(adopted from the Franciscan Holy Land Website)



### **Pius's (our church cat) reflection:**

Three words to remember when praying: 1) WAW – say wow to God for the wonders around you; 2) HELP – pray for your needs and the needs of others; 3) THANKYOU – be grateful.

