



# OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

## CATHOLIC PARISHES OF BRIDLINGTON – EASTFIELD – FILEY

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### MASS TIMES & SERVICES

#### 7th Sunday of Easter - 17th May 2026 (3rd Week)

Saturday	16th	Eastfield	4:00pm	Vigil of the 7th Sunday of Easter	Catherine ( <i>surgery/health</i> )
		Bridlington	6:00pm		Robert & Joseph Fell
Sunday	17th	Bridlington	9:00am	7th Sunday of Easter	Dixon Family
		Filey	11:00am		Kathleen Anne Richardson
Monday	18th	Bridlington	10am	7th Week of Easter	Eden Anna Street
		Eastfield	10am		November list
Tuesday	19th	Filey	10am	7th Week of Easter	November list
Wed'day	20th	Bridlington	10am	7th Week of Easter	Alejandra Anagaran (Anniv)
Thursday	21st	Filey	10am	7th Week of Easter	November list
Friday	22nd	Bridlington	10am	St Rita of Cascia	Mothers with troubled children
		Bridlington	3-4pm	Holy Hour & Confessions	
Saturday	23rd	Eastfield	4:00pm	Vigil of the Solemnity of Pentecost	Sheila Swales
		Bridlington	6:00pm		The Parishes
Sunday	24th	Bridlington	9:00am	Solemnity of Pentecost	Seamus Maurice Power
		Filey	11:00am		Mary Bruce

#### World Communications Day: Preserving Human Voices and Faces

Pope Leo XIV's message for World Communications Day calls the faithful to protect the human "faces" and "voices" that reveal personal identity—especially in the age of digital media and artificial intelligence (AI). He argues that authentic communication is ultimately anthropological (about the human person), not merely technical. Pope Leo says that faces and voices are sacred. Every person's unique identity is shown through their face and voice, and these are connected to God's communication of himself—most fully in Jesus Christ. AI simulation threatens true human relationships. By imitating voices and faces, AI can interfere with the deepest level of communication: human relationship. The real danger is the erosion of thinking. Algorithms designed to maximize engagement can reward quick emotions and reduce critical reflection and listening; a naïve reliance on AI as an "oracle" further weakens analytical judgment and creativity. Chatbots can imitate relationships—and deceive. "Affectionate," always-available AI can covertly shape emotional states, especially harming the vulnerable by making simulated interaction feel real. Disinformation and bias undermine reality and justice. AI can reproduce stereotypes, and "probability presented as knowledge" can lead to mistaken beliefs; without verification, disinformation grows.

Digital innovation should be guided, not refused. The goal is not to stop technology, but to treat AI as an ambiguous tool and align it with the human good. A "possible alliance" requires three pillars:

1. **Responsibility** (for platforms, AI developers, regulators, and media companies) so that profit and manipulation do not replace the common good and truth.
2. **Cooperation** among all stakeholders (industry, government, artists, journalists, academia, educators) to build informed digital citizenship.
3. **Education**—especially media, information, and AI literacy—to strengthen critical thinking, verify sources, understand psychological and algorithmic mechanisms, protect privacy, and resist deepfakes and digital fraud.

Final call: society needs again "faces and voices to speak for people," so communication remains oriented toward truth and the dignity of the person.

**NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT:** As we prepare to celebrate the great feast of Pentecost, all parishioners are warmly invited to take part in a novena, started on Friday, 15th May and continuing through to Pentecost. Each day a video will be posted on the Diocese of Middlesbrough Adult Faith Formation Facebook page and @rcdmiddfaithformation Instagram account. One can follow the Novena also from our facebook group: **Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Parishes of Bridlington-Eastfield-Filey**



## PARISH NOTICES

- **Parish office hours are Wednesday, 20th May between 2 and 3pm.**
- During the month of May the **Holy Rosary** is prayed 15 minutes before each Mass.
- **Petitions to Lourdes:** Val Brown will be going to Lourdes mid May. There is a box at Bridlington Church for prayer petitions that Val is willing to take with her to Lourdes.
- **St John of Bridlington Assist Group:** Pie & Peas Quiz night on **Saturday, 23rd May** at 7:30pm in Parish Hall. Tickets £7.
- **Holy Hour and Prayer Meeting:** Thursday, **21st May** and every fortnight at St George's Church, Eastfield. Holy Hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament from 6 till 6:30pm and continue with our prayer meeting till 7:30pm. All welcome.
- **Bible Course:** continue on Wednesday **27th May** (Abraham - Part 1), and every fortnight at St Peter Hall, Bridlington, between 10:45 and noon.
- **Charismatic Renewal:** A Celebration of Pentecost, organised by Middlesbrough Charismatic Diocesan Service of Communion at Sacred Heart Church, Southcoates Lane, Hull HU9 3AP on Saturday 23rd May from 10am until 4pm. There will be: praise and worship, talks and testimonies, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Sacrament of Reconciliation, prayer ministry and prayer for increase in the gifts of the Holy Spirit. No booking required. Lunch provided. A collection will be taken to cover cost of expenses. For more information, please contact Sharon on 07932420809 or Gerry on 078771185219 or email [cdsdmiddlesbrough@gmail.com](mailto:cdsdmiddlesbrough@gmail.com)
- **Catholic Social Teaching Course:** Come and find out more about Catholic Social Teaching, sometimes known as the Church's 'best kept secret'. The course will take place over six weekly sessions on Monday from 5 to 7pm at St Mary's in Filey, starting on 8th June until 13th July. All invited - Catholics and non Catholics. Each session will include prayer, an input, reflection and sharing.
  - Session 1 – Monday 8th June: The Church's Best Kept Secret - Sources and Core Principles
  - Session 2 – Monday 15th June: CST Core Principle of Human Dignity
  - Session 3 – Monday 22nd June: CST Core Principles of Solidarity and Subsidiarity
  - Session 4 – Monday 29th June: CST Core Principles of Care of Creation and Option for the Poor
  - Session 5 – Monday 6th July: CST Core Principle of The Common Good
  - Session 6 – Monday 13th July: See, Discern and Act
- **Pope Leo's prayer intention** for the month of May is that **everyone might have food.** Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

### Church Collections during weekend 9-10th May

Bridlington: attendance -170 ; collection - £374.78

Eastfield: attendance- 64; collection - £158

Filey: attendance -88; collection - £323.03

### Church Fundraising

- All are invited to **Afternoon Tea at St Mary's Hall** on Sunday 7th June from 3pm. Tickets £10 (including free raffle ticket) from Diane. Proceeds to Building Fund. All welcome.
- The winning number of the **Bonus Ball** Eastfield & Filey on Saturday, 9th May was **5**. The **Club 150** Bridlington drawn on Sunday, 10th May was **123**. Congratulations for the winners and thank you all for participating.

### 2nd Collections in the month of May

**Today - 16-17th May:** Catholic Communications Network (Media)

30-31st May: Building Fund

**Safeguarding:** please visit website page: <https://catholicstarofthesea.co.uk/safeguarding>

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From Pius, our church cat, reading this week:  
*Breathe into me, Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Attract my heart, Holy Spirit, that I may love only what is holy. Strengthen me, Holy Spirit, that I may defend all that is holy. Protect me, Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy.*

(prayer of St Augustine of Hippo)

