

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF BRIDLINGTON – EASTFIELD – FILEY

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MASS TIMES & SERVICES

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - 24th August 2025 (week 1)

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

Saturday	23rd	Eastfield	4pm	Vigil of the 21st Sunday	Fr Albert's Intentions
		Bridlington	6pm	of Ordinary Time	R & B MacLeod (Anniv)
Sunday	24th	Bridlington	9am	21st Sunday of	Juan Raphael Manzano (B)
		Filey	11am	Ordinary Time	The Parishes
Monday	25th	Eastfield	10am	Feria	Eileen Shakespeare
		Bridlington	10am		Joseph Fell
Tuesday	26th	Filey	10am	Feria	The Parishes
Wed'day	27th	Bridlington	10am	St Monica	Lilian Langan
Thursday	28th	Filey	10am	St Augustine of Hippo	November List
Friday	29th	Bridlington	10am	Passion of St John Baptist	Thansgiving (Eva Lim)
			3-4pm	Divine Mercy, Holy F	lour and Confessions
Saturday	30th	Eastfield	4pm	Vigil of the 22nd Sunday	Geoff Wignal
		Bridlington	6pm	of Ordinary Time	Jane Roles
Sunday	31st	Bridlington	9am	22nd Sunday of	Kecin & Margaret Valentine
				Ordinary Time	(35th Wedding Anniv.)
		Filey	11am		Sarah Hawkins (Health)

PARISH NOTICES

- ◆ Parish Office Contact Hours for this week are Wednesday, 27th August, 2pm-4pm.
- ◆ The Monday Mass in Bridlington is to continue at 10am in the morning.
- Justice & Peace Group: World day of Prayer for the care of Creation is on 1 September, and is the official start of the Season of Creation, a time of sustained prayer and action, ending on the feast of St Francis on 4 October. During this season we are encouraged to pray and engage in community events in order to deepen our relationship with God, our neighbour and the earth we share. In preparation for the month of Creation (September) the group is thinking of holding an exhibition about harmony between Peace and Creation through the understanding of flowers. If there is any artist who like to contribute by presenting some art at the exhibition please contact Fr Albert.
- ◆ Pope Leo's prayer intention for August is for mutual coexistence. Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

Church Collections during weekend 16-17th August

OLSP, Bridlington: attendance- 179; plate collection - £375; SVP collection - £161.05 St George, Eastfield: attendance - 50; plate collection - £205.30; SVP collection - £76.90 St Mary, Filey: attendance - 95; plate collection - £ 362.50; SVP collection - £ 159.50

Fundraising

- Philippines Night Extravaganza: Join us for a night of celebration of food from the Philippines (adopted to British like), on Saturday, 7th September, at 7pm at Parish Hall, Bridlington, in support of rising funds to renew Our Lady and St Peter's Hall, Bridlington. Food is prepared by Ms Josie Bristow. Tickets are £10 including a drink.
- The winning number of the **Bonus Ball** Eastfield & Filey on Saturday, 16th August was **37**. The **Club 150** Bridlington drawn on Sunday, 17th August was **136**. Congratulations for the winners and thank you all for participating.

2nd Collections in August 30-31st August: Building Fund

Knock Shrine (Ireland) A Beacon of Hope and Healing

Knock Shrine in Ireland, is a significant Marian apparition site, serving as a vital center for hope and healing, particularly through its robust confessional ministry, especially during this jubilee year. The shrine has a significant outreach in terms of confessions, with 16 full-time chaplains available daily. Irish Catholic leaders view Knock as a welcoming place for those who



have distanced themselves from the faith. Many visitors, including those hesitant, find the experience of confession transformative.

This outreach is especially crucial in a country experiencing a decline in Mass attendance, offering a welcoming space for those struggling with their faith or returning after years away from the sacraments. Many pilgrims, even those initially hesitant, find the experience transformative.

The Unique Apparition of 1879

The shrine's origins trace back to a unique silent apparition on August 21, 1879, in Knock, County Mayo. Fifteen witnesses observed the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph, and St. John, alongside a lamb on an altar in front of a cross surrounded by angels, for two hours despite heavy rain. This apparition, distinct for Mary's silence and its Eucharistic symbolism, occurred during a period of immense suffering in Ireland due to famines and a land war, offering a message of heavenly connection and hope.

Since its inception, Knock Shrine has been associated with numerous stories of miraculous cures. The earliest documented miracle involved Delia Gordon, a deaf girl healed just ten days after the apparition by stone dust from the church's gable wall. By 1880, over 600 claims of miraculous cures were recorded. More recently, the healing of Marion Carroll from multiple sclerosis in 1989 was formally recognized in 2019 after three decades of medical investigation.

For the 2025 Jubilee Year, Irish bishops introduced a "Pilgrim Passport" to encourage visits to Knock, along with Croagh Patrick and Lough Derg. This initiative has successfully attracted new visitors who might not have otherwise considered a pilgrimage to Knock, fostering a sense of peace and welcome at the shrine.

Knock Shrine has received significant papal recognition, with visits from St. John Paul II in 1979 and Pope Francis in 2018, who elevated it to an International Eucharistic and Marian Shrine. As the 150th anniversary of the apparition approaches in 2029, organizers are preparing for a special celebration and hope for another papal visit, potentially from Pope Leo XIV.

Please register your name with the Parish: fill in the Form of your particular parish and return it to the Church and post it in the boxes provided at the entrances of the Churches. In the past, the parish has carried out a census, gathering a register of information about our current, past and former parishioners. The information we hold comprises: name, age, gender address, telephone number, email address, family members, religious affiliation, sacraments received and marital status. This information helps the parish in its work in the community, to provide a better service to its parishioners and to realise its objectives. The information is held securely in locked filing cabinets, and where it is held on computer it is password protected. Access to the information will be restricted to the parish priest and lay people authorised by the parish priest. It is intended to renew this information every five years,

but should you wish to have your data removed from the register, please contact Father Albert or email the Parish Office.

O Glorious St. Monica, After a lifetime of tearful prayers, fasting, and sacrifice, you were granted the happiness of witnessing your son's conversion. Pray for all mothers who worry about their children, that they may find peace and strength in their faith. Help us to trust in God's plan and to remain steadfast in our prayers. Through your intercession, may we find the grace to endure our trials and the courage to lead our loved ones to Christ.

Pius's (our church cat) reflection.

War does not solve problems. On the contrary, it amplifies them and causes deep wounds in the history of peoples — wounds that take generations to heal. No military victory can ever compensate for a mother's pain, a child's fear, or a stolen future. Let us shape our future with works of peace, not through violence and conflicts. (adopted from Pope Leo XIV speeches)

