

### **A Springtime Prayer**

Ever-renewing and energizing Creator,  
come, stir in my dormant spiritual limbs.

Wake up my tired prayer.  
Revive my weary efforts of care.  
Sing hope into my discouragement.

Wash my dusty, drab attitude  
with the cleansing rains of your vision.

Go deep to my roots and penetrate my faith  
with the vibrancy of your grace.

Shake loose the old leftover oak leaves  
of my tenacious ego-centeredness.

Coax joy to sprout from my difficulties.  
Warm the buds of my relationships  
so they bloom with healthy love.

Clear out my wintered debris  
with the wild breeze of your liberating presence.

Nudge me, woo me, entice me, draw me to you.  
I give you my trust and my gratitude  
as you grace my slowly thawing spirit.

Light-filled Being, my Joy and my Hope,  
let the greening in me begin!

- Joyce Rupp

St Aelred's Harrogate

## **Parish Bulletin**

7th Sunday of Easter



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Sat 12/05	6:30pm	Private Intention
Sun 13/05	10am	Parishioners
Mon 14/05	9am	Ellen Constable
Tues 15/05	9am	Mary Jackson
Wed 16/05	9am	Gerard Cox
Thur 17/05	9am	John Clifford
Fri 18/05	9am	November List

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Weekdays 8am—10pm.

DAY	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Prayers
SAT	Maggie Atkinson, Helen Barker, Paul Slater, Graham Barker	Tony Buck, Judith Slater	Pat Hudson
SUN	Lilly Sivanandarajah, Tim Bird, John Cornforth, David Thomas	Margaret Miller, Jim White	Gill Turner

**Your prayers are asked for:**

**The sick:** Bridget Nelson, Anne Jenson, Linda Steele, Majorie Morris and Fr Michael McCarthy.



**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING YOUNG PEOPLE WHO RECEIVED THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:**

**James Chester, Ella Roxby, Lauren Grace Coates, Thomas Clewes,**

**Alaina Joji, Fiona Sojan, Oran Maguire, Jeannot Gantier-Houston**

**Alice Rowbottom, Joseph Slater, Josie Coyle, TJ Munt,**

**Lucy Anne Featherstone, Harvey Greaves, Theo Kelly**

**Pentecost Sunday 20th May: The Birthday of the Church**

Please contribute to a shared table. We hope to have international foods to enjoy after Mass.

**Advance Notice: Summer Fayre Sunday 1st July.**

**Offertory Collections:** Loose £186.20, Gift Aid £906.20 Planned £23.00; Total £1115.40 Many thanks

**Becoming a dementia friendly parish:** Rachel Walker from Growing Old Grace -fully, will be running a short Dementia Friends session on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 7.00pm-8.00pm in St Aelred's Hall to help give a better understanding of dementia and the small things we can all do that make a difference in our parishes. This session is of particular interest to Eucharistic Ministers, hospital visitors and anyone wanting to understand more about living with dementia.

**CAFOD** - meeting this Tuesday 7.30pm in the parish room - anyone welcome

**SVP Summer Camp for Children:** The Leeds and District camp runs for children in need of a holiday. It caters for 80 children aged 8-13. It costs £95 to sponsor a child. The overall cost of the camp is £16,000 per year. Raffle tickets will be on sale next weekend 19/20 May after both masses. Tickets cost £1. Many thanks for your continued support of the SVP.

**VACANCY:** Due to retirement, the Diocese of Leeds seeks a **CO-ORDINATOR FOR CATECHESIS**. Full time including some weekends and evenings. Closing date 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018. For further information please see the notice board or email [evangelisation.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:evangelisation.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

**REVELATION YOUTH EVENT AT LEEDS CATHEDRAL:** An event for young

people (in Years 8-13) from across the Diocese. There'll be praise & worship, games, a talk, small groups, and Adoration at Wheeler Hall on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 6:30-8:30pm. If you're planning to attend, please contact [youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk).

**This week's birthdays:**

Noah Maguire

Aleena John

