

St Hilda's Parish, Whitby

(Incorporating English Martyrs Church Sleights)

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(Donations for the upkeep of the churches using the QR code in the right-hand corner of the newsletter will be gratefully received)

Masses: 14th – 20th December 2025.

Day	Place	Time	Mass Intention	Feastday
Sunday	Sleights	9.00am	Intentions of the Haynes family	3 rd Sunday of Advent (Yr A)
Sunday	Whitby	10.30am	People of the Parish	
Monday	Whitby	10.00am	Mrs P M Devine RIP & family	
Tuesday	Sleights	7.00pm	November Dead List	
Wednesday	Whitby	10.00am	Sr Susan Brown	
Thursday			St Joseph's Convent	
Friday	Whitby	10.00am	Sr Christina O'Connell	
Saturday	Whitby	10.00am	November Dead List	

St Hilda's church is open : Saturday and Sunday for Mass and Confessions, Monday – Friday : 9am – 3pm

Confessions: Saturday: 10.30-11am at St Hilda's and on request before Masses during the week.

Rosary: 6.40pm on Tuesdays & 9.35am on Wednesdays.

Repository. Religious Christmas cards, 2026 calendars and diaries, are available in the sacristies of both churches after Masses while stocks last.

1st Holy Communion 2026. This month is the time for parents to register any Baptised children in Year 4 or above for Sacramental preparation. Please see Fr Michael after Sunday Masses.

Hospital Visits. Catholics in hospital can request a visit from a priest; the simplest way to do this is to ask the ward staff or the switchboard to page the Catholic chaplain.

St Hedda's school Mini Vinnies (junior SVP) are appealing for used children's shoes to send to the needy, details available on the SVP noticeboard in the hall or from M Atkinson at 01947 810375.

Whitby Food Bank. If anyone can spare a few basic non-perishable items it would be appreciated.

Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life Bill). Archbishop Sherrington encourages us to write to members of the House of Lords; details available from www.cbcew.org.uk or writetothem.com

lifecharity.org.uk offers support in pregnancy and for those who suffer pregnancy loss; contact details at the back.

SPUC-Every life Matters, join the fightback. Please take a postcard if you are able to support their efforts.

Parish Website: www.sthildasrcwhitby.co.uk This is the only official parish website.

Beware rogue websites with similar addresses which are not run by this parish. One such is altering our parish newsletter and publishing their altered version; because of this misrepresentation we may have to resort to the law.

News & Events.

Tuesday Singers – Advent Concert at St Hilda's Monday 15th December, 7pm.

Christmas Eve Mass, 6.30pm at St Hilda's; **Christmas Day Masses** : 9am Sleights & 10.30am Whitby.

The Catholic Pledge.

I believe God made me to know Him, love Him and serve Him in this world and to be happy with Him ever after in the next and I believe in His One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. To these I pledge my fidelity.

(This brief declaration of faith is circulating, a good source of meditation for Advent, let us spread the word.)

Our Parish Safeguarding Rep is Ann Atkinson, tel 07557769244. Please contact her if you have any concerns about children or vulnerable adults at any of our parish events in the churches or in the parish centre.

With every blessing to you and your families, Fr Michael Sellers.