

## Joining . . .

### Why join . . .

- to be part of a vibrant sociable Catholic organisation
- make lasting friendships in your local Circle and beyond
- become a member of a supportive network which can help you and your family if you are ever in need
- receive a warm welcome at any Catenian Circle. This can be very useful if you travel for work or pleasure
- enjoy the caring lifelong fraternity of the Catenian family
- enhance the social life of both you and your family

### Who can join . . .

- practising Catholic laymen (& permanent Deacons) aged 18 years and above

### How to join . . .

- you are invited to attend a few of our monthly meetings and dinners to get to know us
- possibly attend one or two social events to meet more Catenians in a relaxed way (see our website for events)
- complete an application form. Choose annual / monthly subscription. Be enrolled.

If you would like to know more about becoming a Catenian, do speak to any member who is in your parish or contact us by any of the options shown below.

### More information:

Local: [www.yorkcatenians.info](http://www.yorkcatenians.info)

Regional: [www.catenianprovince3n.org.uk](http://www.catenianprovince3n.org.uk)

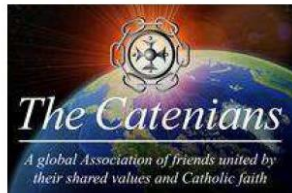
National: [www.thecatenians.com](http://www.thecatenians.com)

Magazine: [www.thecatenians.com/catena/](http://www.thecatenians.com/catena/)

Contact: [yorkcatenians@outlook.com](mailto:yorkcatenians@outlook.com)



Mass in The Bar Convent Chapel York



*The Catenians*

*Faith-based friendship*

**The Catenian Association**  
**YORK Circle**



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## About us . . .

### We are . . .

- an association of Catholic laymen who meet monthly in York and benefit from each other's company
- our social calendar involves wives, children, grandchildren and our widows, so the whole family can form friendships that often last a lifetime
- Catenians pray together, play together and yes we often eat and drink together having fun while enjoying friendship based on our shared Faith

### We do . . .

- pray at meetings
- have quarterly Masses
- look after members/families in difficulty
- enjoy life with families and friends
- have a social network and lots of events
- raise money for charities
- support Youth where possible
- support Vocations

### We value . . .

- Faith + Family + Friendship + Fun



A Visit to Drax Power Station

### We have many optional activities . . .

- monthly lunch club, golf, walk
- monthly outings, an annual residential trip, Christmas party
- evening visits to other Circles across Yorkshire and beyond for events such as 'Grimsby Fish & Chips', 'Barnsley Chop', 'Yorkshire Night'
- regular special events
- nationally arranged visits to the Holy Land, Rome, Malta, Australia for example

### We commit . . .

- Catenians are committed to their families; their Faith; their parishes; their careers; their communities; to those less fortunate; and to each other

### We always aim to . . .

- attend the monthly meeting and meal; attend the Clergy Dinner; the Annual Dinner and President's Sunday
- observe reasonably smart dress (jacket/ tie at meetings)
- raise over £1000 for charity locally every year and over £300,000 nationally

### Our history . . .

- founded in 1908, the Association has 10,000 members internationally in over 300 Circles mainly in the UK
- York Circle, founded in 1920, currently has 35 members and meets on the fourth Thursday of each month
- York Circle welcomes members from all the parishes in and around York such as Malton, Pocklington, Tadcaster, Market Weighton, Easingwold and Selby

- our meetings last about 45 mins and follow a set structure – are always good humoured and friendly banter is welcome

### Benefits of Membership . . .

- *Working age*: provide an oasis of calm to relax, join in activities when possible
- *Younger person*: join with a friend or two, strengthen faith, develop personal skills
- *Retired*: fill in the gap of work, great friends, activities, support
- *Wife*: active social calendar, friendship
- *Clergy*: Catenians are often fully active members of their parish in many ways
- Wives of members are not required to be Catholic; all enjoy Catenian life to the full

### The cost of being a member . . .

- there is an annual subscription which can be paid monthly and includes the monthly 2 course meal at Fulford Golf Club; a monthly circular; a monthly magazine; and national membership; (less than £5 per week in total)
- the additional cost of optional social events throughout the year



A Pub Lunch after a Walk