

**The Parishes of  
St. Joseph's,  
BATLEY CARR  
&  
Our Lady & St. Paulinus, DEWSBURY  
DIOCESE OF LEEDS  
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## 13th & 14th August 2022 The ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY

Baptisms and Weddings: Please be in touch to plan your day.

<u>June</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>COMMEMORATION</u>
13	Saturday	6.00 pm	St. Joseph's	Ronnie & Margaret Moreland
14	Sunday	9.15 am 10.45 am	St. Joseph's St. Paulinus	People of the Parish Tom McGrath (RIP)
15	Monday	10.00 am	St. Paulinus	Rosemary Herley (RIP)
16	Tuesday	10.00 am	St. Joseph's	Beatrice May Nicholls (RIP)
17	Wednesday	10.00 am	St. Paulinus	Ellen Flanagan (A)
18	Thursday	10.00 am	St. Joseph's	In Thanksgiving (from Ida)
19	Friday	10.00 am	St. Paulinus	Hector MacLean (A)
20	Saturday	3.30 pm 6.00 pm	St. Joseph's	Wedding: Andrew Sharp to Ma Socorro Aribon Michael Moreland
21	Sunday	9.15 am 10.45 am	St. Joseph's St. Paulinus	John & Janet Noble People of the Parish
22	Monday	11.00 am	St. Paulinus	Requiem: Michael Brooke
3 Sept	Saturday	2.00 pm	St. Paulinus	Wedding: Thomas McNulty to Rochelle Wilson

**Mass Intentions:** John Halliday (rip), Bernard Hull (Ints). **PRAYER LIST:** Mgr. Michael Kujacz, Rev. Patrick & Cathleen Kelly, Rev. Russel Ashworth, Tracey Smith, Deborah DeCesare, Jensen & Anton Burrows, Dominic Ramm, Eileen Thomson, Janice McNab, Ann Steffen, Rhona Naughton, Sheena Dunbar, Maurice Conboy, Bella Varey, Jean Halligan, Nora Naughton, Ann Wharton, H.W, Elizabeth Evans, Gordon Lodge, Eric Sutton, Sheila Sutton, Andrea Cuesta, Susan O'Donnell, Ray & Margaret, Malcolm Wilson, Bernard Gaughan, Christine Kenyon, Kathleen Smith, Mason Ross

Sunday 7th August 2022	St. Paulinus	St. Joseph's
Offertory Cash	95.50	77.20
Offertory Envelopes	233.00	320.00
Special Collection		55.00 (Mission)
Candles		10.80
Piety		10.00
Coffee Mornings	10.00 (HCPT)	
Hall Donation		50.00
200 and 50 clubs	Winner: #14 Matthew Kemp - Congratulations	282.00
Funerals Collection	132.50	50.00

Killgallon, The housebound & those in care.

**St. Joseph's Flea Market will  
resume in September.**

**Sunday 01st October:**

**MISSIO MASS**

**At St. Joseph's Church.**

**More details to follow.**

**Have a Blessed Summer Sunday**

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## **The Feast of the Assumption**

The commemoration of the death of the Blessed Virgin Mary (the Dormition, or falling asleep, as it was known in the East) is known as the Assumption because of the tradition that her body did not decay but that she was raised up, body and soul, into heaven.

This tradition was already present in the sixth century; by the beginning of the twentieth century it was widespread; and after consulting the views of bishops all over the world, the Pope formally and infallibly declared the doctrine of the Assumption to be part of the authentic and ancient doctrine of the universal Church.

## **On another year we would remember Saint Maximilian Kolbe on 14th August.**

He was born on 8 January 1894 in occupied Poland: he joined the Franciscans in Lwów in 1910, and was ordained eight years later, as his country became free and independent for the first time in over 120 years.

He believed that the world was passing through a time of intense spiritual crisis, and that Christians must fight for the world's salvation with all the means of modern communication. He founded a newspaper, and a sodality called the Knights of Mary Immaculate, which spread widely both in Poland and abroad.

In 1927 he founded a community, a “city of Mary,” at

Teresin: centred round the Franciscan friary, it attracted many lay people, and became self-supporting, publishing many periodicals and running its own radio station.

In 1930 Maximilian went to Japan, studied Buddhism and Shintoism, and through the Japanese edition of his newspaper spread the Christian message in a way that was in harmony with Japanese culture. In Nagasaki, he set up a “Garden of the Immaculate,” which survived the atomic bomb. He also travelled to Malabar and to Moscow, but was recalled to Poland in 1936 for reasons of health.

When the Germans invaded in 1939, the community at Teresin sheltered thousands of refugees, most of them Jews. In 1941 he was arrested and sent to the concentration camp at Auschwitz, where he helped and succoured the inmates. In August of that year a prisoner escaped, and in reprisal the authorities were choosing ten people to die by starvation. One of the men had a family, and Maximilian Kolbe offered to take his place. The offer was accepted, and he spent his last days comforting his fellow prisoners.

The man he saved was present at his canonisation.

Maximilian Kolbe's martyrdom is the least important thing about him. We are none of us likely to find ourselves in a position to emulate

his sacrifice, and speculation as to the heroic way in which we would have behaved in his place is a pernicious waste of time. What is important is that he acted the way he did because of who he was – or, rather, because of who he had become. It is because of who he had become that we revere him as a saint: he would have been a saint (though perhaps not canonized) even if he had not been martyred. And that process of becoming is something we can all emulate. We can all become people for whom doing the right thing is obvious, natural, and easy. It requires no heroism, no special gifts: just perseverance, and prayer.

