



Welcome to the Parishes of Our Lady & St Paulinus, Dewsbury and St Joseph, Batley Carr



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 5th January 2025	The Epiphany of the Lord		
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Cathy Kelly & Family [Sp Int])	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (Jim Norris [LD])	St Paulinus
Tuesday 7th January	Tuesday after the Epiphany		
	7.00pm	Mass (Ellen Jelly [RIP])	St Joseph
Wednesday 8th January	Wednesday after the Epiphany		
	10.00am	Mass (Francesca [Sp Int])	St Joseph
Thursday 9th January	Thursday after the Epiphany		
	10.00am	Mass (Patrick Alcock [A])	St Paulinus
Friday 10th January	Friday after the Epiphany		
NB - Mass in School	10.00am	Mass (Christine Mageean [Sp Int])	St P School
Sunday 12th January 2025	The Baptism of the Lord		
	5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (John Utting [B'day A])	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (Dan Helms [LD])	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

On this Feast of the Epiphany, when the light of Christ was revealed to all the nations of the world, we turn to God our Father, confident that he will hear and answer our prayers:

For the whole Church, that all who follow Jesus will continue to lead others to the light of Christ.

For peace on earth, that the peace which Christ brings will become a reality for all nations.

For all who have died, or are suffering as a result of violence, warfare or natural disasters.

For all who are seeking meaning and purpose in their lives that, at the end of their searching, they will come to recognise Christ as the source of wisdom and light in the world.

For our parish, that it will be a strong community, built on love, and a powerful witness to the presence of God.

For all who are sick or suffering, neglected or bereaved, that the light of Christ will lead them out of darkness.

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We pray for those whom we know to be sick at home or in hospital, among them...

Aiden Murray; Mgr Michael Kujacz; Kathleen Kaye; Adrian Keachie; John Carter; Cathy Kelly; Rev Russel Ashworth; Mary Robinson; Hugo Pineda; Paul Waters; Tricia Galido; Tita Agagon.

We pray for those who have died recently, or whose anniversary falls at this time, among them...

Roger Agagon (A); Danny O'Brien (A); Jack Miller (LD); Karen Louise Teale (LD); Brian Roche (A); John Joseph Colbeck (A); Margaret Poole (A); Anita Estrada (LD); Gregond S Lugtu (A); Luciano M Miranda (LD); Jim Norris (LD); Emma Wilson (LD); Ida Gazzero (LD); Martin Birmingham (LD); Anthony Brennan (LD); Eroll Hannon (LD); Marie Kelly (A); Marie Wood (A); Ada Thompson (A); Oliver Jennings (A); Ida Gazzero (LD); Deacon Patrick Kelly (LD); Ann Pygott (LD); Charles Raymond Sykes

Please remember to turn-off mobile phones before Mass begins...Thank you!

REGULAR EVENTS & CONTACTS

APF Red Mission Boxes

Contact: Elaine Ellis - 07933 272277

Bereavement Support

Fr Stephen would invite people to get in touch about becoming part of a bereavement support network.

Buildings & Fabric Steward

Contact: John Dennehy -

Catechists (Sacramental Preparation)

OLSP - Helen Regan - hregan@stpaulinus.org
St J - Sarah Riley - sarah.riley42@outlook.com
or 07917 105301

Childrens' Liturgy Group

OLSP - plans to re-start in 2025

Church Cleaning Contacts (More Volunteers Needed!)

OLSP -
St J - Elaine Ellis - 07933 272277

Church Flowers Contacts

OLSP -
St J - Jill Riordan - 07495 134218

Church Hall Bookings

OLSP - Roy Jno Baptiste - 07734 864751
Jim Regan - 01924 469700

Gift Aid Organiser

Contact: David Prendergast - 07938 801487

Happy Memories Dementia Support Group

OLSP - Parochial Hall - 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month. Cath Knowles 07986 142049

Journey in Faith (RCIA)

Contact: Fr Stephen 01924 465531 for details.

Keep Fit Classes

OLSP - Parochial Hall every Tuesday 10.30am - 11.30am. Inara Bennett - 07910 127989

Music Ministry

OLSP - Amy Preece - amycpreece@hotmail.co.uk
St J - Cathy Baxendale - cathyh79@googlemail.com

Piety Stall

Contact: Margaret Brannan (looking for helper!)

Rotas (Eucharistic Ministry)

OLSP - Jim Regan - 01924 469700
St J -

Rotas (Readers)

OLSP - Glenys or Mike Woods on 07870 542238
St J - Marie-Claire Keddie - mckeddie@live.co.uk

Sacristan

St J - Douglas Sykes doug.kp.sykes@btinternet.com

Safeguarding Representatives (Both Churches)

Awaiting Appointment

Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP)

Contact: Cath Knowles (President) 07986 142049
Meetings every third Thursday of the month.

Yoga Classes

St Joseph's Hall - Wednesday evenings at 6.00pm.
Beginners welcome. Sarah Riley 07917 105301

Our Lady & St Paulinus Catholic Primary Academy

Headteacher: Miss S Hayes 01924 488282

St Joseph's Catholic Primary Academy

Headteacher: Mrs C Bulloch 01924 462053

St John Fisher Catholic Academy

Headteacher: Mr K Mackay 01924 527000

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

John Utting (B'day A); Jim Norris (LD); Josie Lampitt (RIP); Sam Lampitt (RIP); Linda Dalby (RIP); Petrina Wood (Sp Int); Roy Robinson (Sp Int); Mary Catherine Simmons (Sp Int); Stella Estrada & Rafael Delitran (Thanksgiving); Dan Helms (LD); Margaret Swift (B-day A).

Welcome!

This weekend we welcome Mgr Donal Lucey as the celebrant of our Masses. I was his curate for three years...so he knows and understands just what you have to put up with in having me as your PP!!

Funeral Arrangements for The Rev Patrick Kelly:

Deacon Patrick's Requiem Mass will take place on Friday 17th January at 12.30pm. The principal celebrant will be Bishop Marcus, and Mgr Paul Fisher will preach. Please remember Cathy and her family during these coming weeks. May Deacon Patrick rest in peace, and rise in glory. Amen.

The Sacrament of Confirmation - 2025:

The Preparation Classes in St Joseph's Church are as follows: Saturday 11th, 18th and 25th January 2025, the sessions will be from 2.30pm until 5.30pm, with the option of staying on for the 6.00pm Vigil Mass.

OL & SP - Coffee Morning after Sunday Mass:

Come and join us after the 11.00am Mass - all are very welcome! This week in aid of Faith & Light.

OL & St P - 200 Club:

Sunday 29th Dec - To Be Advised next weekend.

St Joseph's Coffee after Mass:

Please come into the hall for refreshments after 10.00am Mass on Wednesday and 9.30am Mass on Sunday. All welcome.

The Flea Market:

The Flea Market re-opens on Saturday 11th January 2025. Thank you to those who came out to help yesterday with the "Spring Clean"!

Christmas Offerings:

St Joseph's	Env £421.00
	Plate £372.00
Our Lady & St Paulinus'	Env £439.81
	Plate £238.00
Total:	£1470.81

*My Sincere thanks for you kindness and generosity.
Fr Stephen (& Pablo the Labrador!)*

Parish Banking Details:

To set up Standing Orders or make one-off contributions electronically, please find details of both churches below:

Our Lady & St Paulinus'

Name: Diocese of Leeds, Our Lady & St Paulinus
Sort Code: 40-27-15 **Account Number:** 31017233

St Joseph's

Name: Diocese of Leeds, St Joseph Batley Carr
Sort Code: 40-27-15 **Account Number:** 31017225

Crib Offerings & The Friends of the Holy Land:

Thank you for your gifts placed in the boxes by the Crib in either church - once the Cribs have been dismantled, then the offerings will be tallied and sent onto Friends of the Holy Land. If you would to give a gift directly, it can be done over the phone 01926 512980, or via their website www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk

Jubilee Year Prayer Vigil:

St Mary's, Batley will be hosting a Prayer Vigil entitled; "Crucem, Hostia et Virginem" (the Cross, the Host and the Virgin Mary) on the 1st Friday of each month in 2025. There will be an opportunity for Confession, Adoration, Mass and receiving the Jubilee Indulgence. Friday 3rd January at 6.00pm.

Online Resource for Readers at Mass:

Three short videos on 'Proclaiming the Word from the New Lectionary: a Refresher for Readers' have been produced by the Diocese to form a simple and concise guide and provide some useful "DOs and DON'Ts" women and men who exercise the important ministry of reading at Mass. Access videos via our YouTube channel, www.LeedsCathedralLive.org.uk

CAFOD Jubilee Year Events:

CAFOD is offering an online Introduction to the Jubilee Year on Saturday 18 January with special guests to help us become tangible signs of hope and build a better world together throughout the Holy Year. Register at <https://cafod.org.uk/news/events/>

Diocese of Leeds Community Choir:

This new venture welcomes all parish musicians, parishioners, choir parents, friends, and school and Diocesan staff to come together and sing! Rehearsals on Sunday afternoons (19 January, 2 & 9 February, 2 & 23 March all at 2-3.30pm), working towards a concert performance, including music by Mendelssohn, Fauré, and Rutter, on Laetare Sunday, 30 March 2025 (4pm) at the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Moortown. To book your place please email office@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk

New Bereavement Ministry Training:

A two-day course for those wishing to learn how to accompany those who are grieving. 10.00am – 4.00pm Saturday 11th January and Saturday 18th January 2025 at The Briery. For more information or an application form please contact the Bereavement Care team at epbereavementcare@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Open Information Session on the Diaconate:

Are you inquisitive about the Ministry of a Deacon? Then you are invited to attend an open Information session at Hinsley Hall on Saturday 8th February, 10.30am – 12pm. For more information and to register please contact david.arblaster@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Safeguarding Conference:

We are delighted to be hosting our first Safeguarding Conference on Saturday 8th February 2025, 10.00am - 3.00pm at Hinsley Hall. To date guest speakers include the Comboni Survivors Group, Hydrant Programme and Dementia Friendly Churches. To book your place please email safeguarding@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

The Annual Lourdes Dinner Dance:

will take place on Friday 28 February 2025 at the Met Hotel in Leeds. Tickets are £40 each or £375 for a table of 10, Ticket price includes a reception drink, a 3 course dinner and entertainment throughout the night. Please contact Phil Marshall for tickets or more info on 07766 148375 or at philmarshall49@hotmail.com

Aid To The Church In Need Open Letter Campaign:

ACN (UK) has launched an Open Letter campaign calling on Foreign Secretary David Lammy to make persecuted religious communities priority recipients of UK Overseas Development Aid (ODA). They need your help to reach their goal of 10,000 signatures, which will trigger a response from the Government. Please sign their open letter today: <https://acnuk.org/our-campaigns/red-wednesday-advocacy-letter>.

Catholic Care Director/CEO Vacancy:

Salary over £70,000 pro rata, depending on experience. Based in Leeds. Our ideal candidate will possess strong personal values with the vision/skills for leadership, a passion for caring for people in need and improving people's lives. They will have significant experience of leadership and developing/delivering strategy. For further details and how to apply please visit <http://www.catholic-care.org.uk/recruit/latest-vacancies/> or send your CV and cover letter to Katrina.greenhalf@catholic-care.org.uk. Contact Katrina on 0113 388 5400.

Catholic Care Vacancy:

Mental Health Outreach Support Worker, £24,404 - £25,584 pro rata. 23 hours per week. Based in Leeds. For further details and how to apply please visit <http://www.catholic-care.org.uk/recruit/latest-vacancies/> or email your CV to recruitment@catholic-care.org.uk

Announcement of the Date of Easter and Movable Feasts

It is traditional on this feast day to make the following announcement - it used to take place after the Gospel, following a long-established custom of the Church, the deacon or cantor would proclaim the movable feasts of the current year, in the following form:

Know, dear brothers and sisters, that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Saviour.

On the fifth day of March will fall Ash Wednesday, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season.

On the twentieth day of April you will celebrate with joy Easter Day, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the twenty-ninth day of May will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the eighth day of June, the feast of Pentecost.

On the twenty-second day of the same month, the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

On the thirtieth day of November, the First Sunday of the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is honour and glory for ever and ever.

Amen.

Wishing you and your loved ones a very Happy New Year, and every blessing in 2025.