



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



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 16th February 2025	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Mark Griffin [A])	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (Paddy Murray [A] / <i>Pro & Pop</i>)	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (Marie Waters [A])	St Paulinus
Tuesday 18th February	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	No Mass Today	****	St Joseph
Wednesday 19th February	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	10.00am	Eucharistic Service	St Joseph
Thursday 20th February	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	No Mass Today	****	St Paulinus
Friday 21st February	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	10.00am	Eucharistic Service	St Paulinus
Sunday 23rd February 2025	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (John Cox [A])	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (Aiden Murray [LD])	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

Gathering together our needs and the needs of the world we turn to our heavenly Father and pray:
 For all who lead and guide the Church, that their spirits may be filled with the richness of God's love.
 For leaders of nations and all in government, that they may seek to recognise the needs of the poor and, in response, act to relieve their suffering.
 For all children in care, that they may experience the love and comfort of supportive families.
 For the members of our own community, that we may grow in holiness as we strive to live as Jesus teaches us in The Beatitudes.
 For all who suffer from any form of illness, that they may feel the healing touch of God's love.
 Heavenly Father, we ask you to hear and answer our prayers which we offer through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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

Graham Lindley; Rev Russell Ashworth; Michael Kujacz; Cath Kelly; Chris Sinclair; Margaret Ingham; Kat Madina, Christina Sweeny.

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

Giuseppe Gerado Lencki (LD); Sheila Mongon; Ann Pygott (LD); Ricky James (LD); Sam Connors; Maureen Oldroyd (A); Joan Carter (LD); Rev Patrick Kelly (LD); Carmela Walker (B'day A); Lindsay Duxbury (LD); Elizabeth Waschkoloski (LD); Alan Priestly (LD); Joyce Loveday (LD); Susan Toole (LD); Linda Harrison (A); Anne Swithenbank (LD); Michael Walsh (LD).

PLEASE COMPLETE THE PRAYER SHEETS IN CHURCH FOR FEBRUARY / MARCH

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 - amycprece@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:

Susan Toole (LD); Joyce Loveday (LD); Margaret, Gordon, Lee & Hiasha Pygott (RIP).

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.

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 our SVP.

OL & St P - 200 Club:

Winner: Sunday 9th Feb - winner no. 20 Bethany Woods

Palm Crosses:

Please bring in old palm crosses and leave them in the boxes at the back of the churches. These will be burnt to provide the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

Weekly Envelope Giving Scheme:

There are several ways in which we are able to support our two churches, some people choose to give by Standing Order through their bank, others to put their offering onto the offertory plate, and of course there is also the weekly envelope scheme. This scheme has run in our two churches for many years, and will continue! However in order to update records, we would like to ask whether the people who have the following envelope numbers, are UK Tax payers, and whether they would mind signing a new Gift Aid Declaration form, so that the parishes could benefit from claiming back the Gift Aid?

St Joseph's: 3,12,13,15,18, 29 & 41.

St Paulinus': 3, 25 & 35.

If you have use the numbers above, and are able to help with the Gift Aid, please speak with Fr Stephen after Mass. Thank you.

First Reconciliation 2025:

Children in Yr 3 and above who have not yet made their First Reconciliation (First Confession) are invited to join the preparation sessions which are being offered. For children in St Paulinus' school, please speak with Miss Regan, and complete the application form. Children who do not attend St Paulinus' are invited to get an

8th / 9th February

Weekly Offerings:

St Joseph's	Env	£170.00
	Plate	£126.50

Our Lady & St Paulinus'	Env	£226.00
	Plate	£212.50

Other Income

Ann Pygott Funeral Donation:	£260.80
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Thank you for your continuing generosity

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

application form from either Sarah Riley or Fr Stephen, and preparation will take place on Saturday afternoons over two sessions at St Joseph's Church Hall. More details to follow.

News from St Paulinus' School:

We are so proud of all the children and adults that took part in their confirmation on Thursday 6th February, with the Bishop. It was a wonderful service to be part of and it was lovely to see so many of our families there. Congratulations to all of you: May the Holy Spirit open your hearts and minds allowing you to follow in Jesus' footsteps. May God bless you with guidance and the knowledge that Jesus will always love you and He is always there with you. Miss Hayes and the staff of St Paulinus.

Caritas Leeds Quarterly Newsletter:

Will be published to flag up the different ways in which parishes, schools and groups are putting into practice Catholic Social Teaching so that we can learn from each other's good practice. If you know of an initiative which is, for example, fostering human dignity, promoting solidarity, enabling subsidiarity or encouraging people to participate in the life of the community, please drop a note by the end of January to comms@catholic-care.org.uk

Leeds Cathedral Guided Tours Winter Programme:

The next 'Free Guided Tour' will take place on Saturday 22nd March at 1.30pm. The tour last about 1 hour. No booking is required. On arrival, please gather by the Baptismal Font at the back of the Cathedral.

Little Sisters Fundraising Event:

On Friday 28 February 2025 at Irish Centre Tara Suite, 7.30pm. Tickets £25.00. Meal of soda bread, Irish stew and dessert, also Irish band dancing, sing-a-long, auction and raffle. Please come along and support the Little sisters and have a great night of entertainment. All proceeds to go towards rebuilding of Mount St Joseph's. Contact details Sr. Christina Email funds.leeds@lsplondon.co.uk

Leeds Pax Christi Prayer Service:

Leeds Pax Christi is organising an Ash Wednesday Prayer Service outside Holy Trinity Church on Boar Lane on 5 March, 12.30pm. We urge repentance for those involved in nuclear war preparations and pray that we all have the courage to say yes to peace no to war. All are welcome. For more information contact Carol 07707061115.

Dementia Friends Online Training:

Leeds Diocese older people's charity *Growing Old Grace-fully* and Age Friendly Leeds are offering free online training for people in the Diocese to learn how to become Dementia Friends. The two identical sessions are Monday 10th March 2.30pm – 3.30pm and Tuesday 29th April 7.00pm – 8:00pm. To book on either session e-mail: growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

St John Fisher Catholic Voluntary Academy Chapel:

We will be hosting 12 Hours for the Lord - as part of our series of events to celebrate the Jubilee Year 2025. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 7am on Friday March 28th and continue until 7pm. Parishioners from our local churches are invited to drop into our school chapel to join. We will end our 12 hours with Benediction. Please sign up on the sheet at the

back of Church to indicate your presence during this period of exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

New Bereavement Ministry Training:

We are very pleased to be able to offer another presentation of this two day course for those wishing to learn the basics of grief and how to accompany those who are grieving. The next training will be on Saturday 22 March and Saturday 5 April 2025 (9.45am – 4pm each day) at The Briery. For more information or an application form please contact the Elizabeth Prout Bereavement Care team at epbereavementcare@dioceseofleeds.org.uk.

The Search for Truth: Edith Stein, 14–16 March 2025

Fr Matthew Blake, OCD will offer a weekend exploring the life and teachings of Edith Stein, or St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, and her indomitable search for truth that led her to the Catholic faith. For more information and to book: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-search-for-truth-edith-stein/>

Mens' Spiritual Exercises, 30 March – 4 April 2025

A 5-day version of the Ignatian Exercises offered specifically for men (whether lay or ordained), this retreat will be preached by the Benedictine Monks of St Joseph's Abbey, Flavigny (France). Founded in 1988, this community has retained its charism of a specific apostolate to men with a shortened version of the Ignatian Exercises. One-to-one direction will be offered alongside the talks. Priests are welcome to attend and concelebrate or celebrate their own Mass.

For more information and to book: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/mens-spiritual-exercises/>

Chrism Mass:

The annual Chrism Mass will take place on Wednesday of Holy Week (16 April) at Leeds Cathedral at 11:00am. The sacred oils of Chrism, Catechumens and the Sick, used throughout the Diocese, will be blessed at the annual celebration. Our priests will also renew their priestly promises. All welcome to attend.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:

Fri 4 - Thurs 10 July 2025. Bookings are now open. The theme is 'With Mary, Pilgrims of Hope', to coincide with the Jubilee Year of Hope. The Jubilee is a major celebration in which pilgrims are invited to immerse themselves in God's infinite mercy. Early booking strongly recommended. In anticipation of higher than usual numbers, transfers will be offered to and from Stansted Airport once the Leeds flight is full. Please book via the Tangney website or by phone directly with Tangney Tours. Further information is available on the Diocesan website.

Train To Teach:

Are you interested in training to teach in a Catholic School? St. Anthony's Catholic Partnership are recruiting now for September 2025. If you would like further details please contact Hannah Taylor on h.taylor@stanthonysleeds.org.uk or 0113 2776944.

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