



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



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

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
Tuesday 25th February	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	7.00pm	Mass (Joyce Loveday [LD])	St Joseph
Wednesday 26th February	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	10.00am	Mass (Mary Walsh [A])	St Joseph
Thursday 27th February	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	10.00am	Mass (Donna Brennan [RIP])	St Paulinus
Friday 28th February	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	10.00am	Mass (Elisabeth Waschkowski [LD])	St Paulinus
	12.00noon	Funeral Service for Michael Walsh	St Paulinus
Sunday 2nd March 2025	Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Ann Pygott [RIP])	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (Catherine & John Lynn [Foundation])	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

For Pope Francis, that he, the successor of Peter, may recover from his present illness, and be returned to full health and strength in proclaiming the Gospel.

For all who serve in the armed forces, that they may keep the peace and serve with integrity in a complex and difficult world.

For peace, that all barriers of hatred, greed and violence may be overcome by God's healing Spirit and the work of humanity.

For our own parish community, that we will always be ready to extend a warm welcome to the visitor and stranger in our midst.

For all who are sick or in pain, that God will crown them with love and compassion and bring them healing and hope.

For ourselves and for Christians everywhere, that we may always be slow to condemn, swift to pardon and generous in compassion.

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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 - 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:

Rev Patrick Kelly (RIP); Kelly Family Intentions; Giuseppe Gerado Lencki (RIP); Michael Lynch (A).

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 HCPT.

OL & St P - 200 Club:

Winner: Sunday 16th Feb, number 167- Angela Kemp.

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.

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 application form from either Sarah Riley or Fr Stephen, and preparation will take place on Saturday afternoons (22nd & 29th March - 3.30pm-5.30pm) at St Joseph's Church Hall. More details to follow.

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

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,

15th / 16th February

Weekly Offerings:

St Joseph's	Env	£218.00
	Plate	£132.50
Our Lady & St Paulinus'	Env	£161.00
	Plate	£173.50

Other Income

Flea Market:	£192.00
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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

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.

Lent Days of Recollection:

The Community of Our Lady of Walsingham will lead two days of recollection at Ss Peter and Paul's Church in Wakefield on Saturday 8 March from 10am until 4pm and Sunday 9 March 1.30pm until 5.30pm. The theme is Journeying into God: Prayer as Relationship with God, Self and Others. For more details go to <https://www.peterpaul.org.uk/> If you are attending on Saturday, please bring a packed lunch.

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

Doorways of Hope - Online Events:

Leeds Diocese older people's charity Growing Old Grace-fully is hosting a programme of 3 hour-long online events on the theme of hope, to be led by Paula Shanks and Mgr. Donal Lucey. The dates are Tuesday 18 March (afternoon), Wednesday May 14 (evening) and Thursday July 10 (evening). To book or for info email: 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://](https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-search-for-truth-edith-stein/)

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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.

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. 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.

Recruitment of Lay Trustees:

Applications are welcomed for the role of Trustee from Catholic lay faithful to enrich the diversity of the Board's membership. Additionally, the Diocese are seeking to expand the committee structure of the Trustees and would welcome applications for membership of those committees as well. Please see the Diocesan website for more details and how to apply.

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.

School Social Worker Vacancy:

Salary currently £30,559 - £35,235, pro rata dependent on qualifications and experience. Post: Permanent Part time or 1 X Fixed term 15 hours to cover Maternity Leave. Location: West and North Yorkshire. You must hold a Social Work Qualification. Closing Date: Open until the vacancy has been filled.

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