



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



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 31st August 2025

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Lily Cox [Thanksgiving & Prayers])	St Joseph
9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
11.00am	Mass (Joe Attard [90th Birthday])	St Paulinus

Tuesday 2nd September

Weekday in Ordinary Time

7.00pm	Mass (Holy Souls)	St Joseph
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Wednesday 3rd September

St Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

10.00am	Mass (Holy Souls)	St Joseph
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Thursday 4th September

St Cuthbert, Bishop

10.00am	Mass (Michael Day [LD])	St Paulinus
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Friday 5th September

Weekday in Ordinary Time

10.00am	Eucharistic Service	St Paulinus
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Sunday 7th September 2025

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Phil Rouse [LD])	St Joseph
9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
11.00am	Mass (Robert 'Bob' Taylor [LD])	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

Mindful of God's command to care for those less fortunate, we turn to him in prayer:

For the Church, that the Spirit of God may make her a prophetic voice in the world, humbly and faithfully embracing the needy with the generosity of Christ himself.

For the world and all its leaders, that their policies and choices will be made with the good of all people in mind.

For those countries still burdened by unjust debt, that the wealthy nations of the earth may act with justice, compassion and generosity.

For our parish community, that our ears may be opened to the Gospel message and, especially, to the needs of others.

For the sick and the suffering, the lonely and the fearful, that they will know the comfort and the infinite love of God.

Gracious God, we ask you to hear our prayers and grant that we may draw closer to you, and to each other, each and every day. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

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

Rev Russell Ashworth; Andrew Keachie; Lynda Walker; Margaret Ingham; Rosaleen Cronin; Evie; Jean Fisher; Joan Datu; Johnny Agagon; Dorren Ramos; Rosie Fisher; Shirley Ross; Margaret Lingwood.

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

Olivier Brousse (LD); Jade Burton (LD); Jack Dane (LD); Darylene Schram (LD); Tiburcio Partacalao (A); Anne Jennings (A); Mary Jennings (A); Kathleen Watson (A); James Ewart (A); Tadeusz Brzoza (A); Malgorzata Dziubrowska (A); Roger Agagon (LD); Frank Connor (LD); Margery O'Brien (A); Rosemary Cross (LD); Linda Harris (LD); Robert [Bob] Taylor (LD); Rev George Spencer (LD); David Willis (LD); Kathleen Keenan (LD); Don Fellows (LD); Colleen Waterhouse (LD); Ronan John Harrington (A).

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 - mckeddied@live.co.uk

Sacristan (St Joseph's)

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

Safeguarding Representatives (Both Churches)

Cathy Baxendale; Andrea Jackson; Elizabeth Stanley & Helen Regan

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:

Phil Rouse (LD); Margaret Pygott (A); James Keegan (B'day A); Michael Day (LD); Marlene Hill (LD); Aline Vera Hoffland (A).

This Week:

We pray for our school communities as they begin a new academic year. My God bless them abundantly!

Car Parking at St Joseph's:

Kirklees Council have recently re-painted the 'Residents Parking Bays' on Naylor Street...(they've even painted inside the potholes!!) They are now enforcing the parking rules and issuing fines. Please be careful where you park on Wednesday morning Mass, Sunday's do not count in the restrictions - but do be aware of the double yellow lines at all times - and if you use a 'Blue Badge' make sure it is visible in the windscreen!

St Joseph's Coffee after Mass:

Everyone is welcome to join us for refreshments after Mass on Sunday and Wednesday - just come along!

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 24th August: No 195 Gerrard McGrath

Jubilee Year Prayer Vigil:

St Mary's, Batley are hosting a Prayer Vigil on the 1st Friday of each month in 2025 entitled; "Crucem, Hostia et Virginem" "If we want to grow and to be filled with the love of God, it is necessary to plant our lives firmly on three great realities: the Cross, the Host and the Virgin Mary: crux, hostia, et virgo...these are three mysteries that God gave to the world in order to structure, fructify and sanctify our interior life and to lead us to Jesus." (Cardinal Robert Sarah: "The Power of Silence"). Opportunity for Confession/receiving the Jubilee Indulgence. Next date Friday 5th September.

St Mark's Way- National Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope:

St Mark's Way, the northern 'arm' of the 2025 National Jubilee Walking Pilgrimage of Hope, starts at Leeds

23rd & 24th August 2025		
Weekly Offerings:		
St Joseph's	Env	£91.20
	Plate	£101.50
Our Lady & St Paulinus'	Env	£190.50
	Plate	£125.50
Other Income		
Flea Market (17/18 Aug)		£116.00
Flea Market (23/24 Aug)		£171.70
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

Cathedral on Saturday 6 September – and its first two days pass through our Diocese! It begins with 8am Mass at Leeds Cathedral. Walk all or part of the way between the Cathedral and the Jubilee Pilgrimage Church of St Austin in Wakefield. For more details see the Diocese of Leeds website.

Race Night:

Catholic Care is hosting a Race Night on Friday 12th September at St Winefride's Church Hall, Bradford. Tickets are £6 which includes a pie supper. A horse can be secured for £10. For Tickets and Information please contact: Katrina.Greenhalf@catholic-care.org.uk or 0113 3885400.

Cathedral Choir Fundraising Concert:

Join the Senior Girls Choir of Leeds Cathedral for a concert raising funds for the Diocese's Schools Singing Programme. Thursday 18th September, 7pm, Leeds Cathedral – includes Pergolesi's Stabat Mater. Tickets (£10) available on the door or at <https://dolmusic.uk/stabat-mater-2025>

Priestly Vocations Discernment Meetings:

Time for prayers, questions, input from a priest and social time. There are two groups meeting simultaneously; under 18s and over 18s. Fridays 6.30pm-8.15pm: 19th September (Hinsley Hall), 17th October (Hinsley Hall), 14th November (Cathedral Hall), 19th December (Hinsley Hall). Under 18 participants must complete and return a permission form prior to attending. For permission forms and to notify of attendance (all participants) please contact Vocations Promoter, Fr Simon Lodge simon.lodge@dioceseofleeds.org.uk.

Retreat Weekend:

'Blessed are the Peacemakers': 19th – 21st September at The Briery, Ilkley. Spaces are available for individuals to join this parish weekend. For more information and to book, contact The Briery on 01943 607287 or admin@briery.org.uk

Annual Leeds Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham:

The Annual Leeds Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place this year on Saturday 27th September. 12:00Noon Angelus and the celebration of Holy Mass, 2:30pm Solemn Procession into the village of Walsingham, 3.30pm Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the grounds of the Ancient Shrine. Bring a picnic lunch!

"When Suffering Happens, Make Meaning!"

Dr Dorothy Jonaitis of Loyola University will lead a retreat afternoon offering an opportunity to reflect upon journeys of faith and how healing can take shape, using prayer, art and music. 1.00pm - 5.30pm Sunday 5th October. £15pp at The Briery, Ilkley. For more information and to book, contact The Briery on 01943 607287 or admin@briery.org.uk

Annual Batley Torchlight Procession:

Fr Eamonn Hegarty and the Parish of St Mary's, Batley will once again be hosting the annual Batley Torchlight Procession on Monday 6th October, commencing at 7:30pm. The Procession will start at St Mary's Catholic Primary School and end at the nearby St Mary of the Angels' Catholic Church. The Torchlight Procession is a fine expression of our Catholic faith and gives honour to Mary, Mother of God. Refreshments afterwards.

How Do We Sustain Hope in Today's World?:

Saturday 11th October 10:30 – 4pm at Hinsley Hall. A one day retreat on hope with Fr Luis Orlando Perez Jimenez SJ. Organised by SPARK Social Justice. See www.sparksocialjustice.org.uk for more details – sign up required as places are very limited.

Caritas Leeds:

"Hope Does Not Disappoint," Sat 18th October, 10am-2pm: Hinsley Hall. A morning of prayer, reflection and discussion to help us renew our commitment to putting Catholic Social Teaching into action in our parishes, schools and communities. Buffet lunch. To register your interest: education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk/ 0113 261 8040.

Celebrating Laudato Si:

Mini-Pilgrimage to Kirkstall Abbey: Saturday 20th October 12:45 – 4pm. Join people from across the Northern dioceses for this 4.7 mile pilgrimage from Leeds City Station to Kirkstall Abbey – mainly following the towpath of the Leeds & Liverpool canal. Full details on the Justice & Peace website www.leedsjp.org.uk

Catenians: Faith, Family and Friendship.

Meet formally each month on the third Tuesday plus whenever another event has been arranged. Membership is open to any catholic men but wives/partners are encouraged to always be involved. Details about the association can be found at <https://thecatenians.uk> or you may wish to speak to our Membership Officer Dennis Donnelly on 01484 606042.

Mary's Meals:

Mary's Meals currently works in 16 of the world's poorest countries, feeding over 2.4 million young children one good meal every day in their place of education. They are asking you to donate any left over foreign currency or obsolete UK currency that you may have lying around. **Just bring any foreign or old coins/notes to church during September** and we will pass them on. The money raised from this initiative will help Mary's Meals bring hope to more desperately hungry children across the globe. Every 10p is enough to provide a hungry child with a nutritious meal in school. Mary's Meals would like to thank you for your continuous support & prayers.

Catholic Care Cook Vacancy:

Salary: £24,892 to £26,096 pro rata, Post: Permanent. Part Time. 12 hours a week, Location: Based at Bradford, Interview Date: Flexible to suit candidate. Please contact recruitment@catholic-care.org.uk for an application form.

Catholic Care Recruitment

Registered Manager (Adults with Learning Disabilities): Salary: £40,303 (plus pension and many other benefits) Post: Full Time, 37 hours per week. Location: Based in services across West and North Yorkshire. Closing Date: September 19th. Please see website for details. www.catholic-care.org.uk

Weekly Bulletin News:

If you would like anything including in the weekly bulletin, notices etc, please make sure that it arrives at St Joseph's Presbytery by 12.00noon on a Thursday or by email to stephen.webb@dioceseofleeds.org.uk It is always better to send me an email with the text, rather than just sending me a poster about an event!