



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



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 14th September 2025 Exaltation of the Holy Cross

5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Amalia Noguez [Sp Int])	St Joseph
9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
11.00am	Mass (Jim Meehan / Ros & Kath)	St Paulinus

Tuesday 16th September St Cornelius, Pope & St Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

7.00pm	Mass (Holy Souls)	St Joseph
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Wednesday 17th September Weekday in Ordinary Time

10.00am	Mass (Holy Souls)	St Joseph
12.00noon	Requiem Mass for Peter McLean	St Paulinus

Thursday 18th September Weekday in Ordinary Time

10.00am	Mass (Margaret Owen [Foundation])	St Paulinus
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Friday 19th September Weekday in Ordinary Time

10.00am	Mass (Roman Kruczenyk [A])	St Paulinus
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Sunday 21st September 2025 Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

	5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Amalia & Thomas [Sp Int])	St Joseph
<i>Bishop's Visitation Mass</i>	9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
<i>Bishop's Visitation Mass</i>	11.00am	Mass (Honora Moss (nee Boland) [B'day A])	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son. Let us be empowered by his Good News and offer our prayers for those in need.

For all who place their hope in the Cross of Christ; may they come to believe in him so that they might not perish but might have eternal life, we pray to the Lord...

That Bishops, priests, and deacons may preach the love of Christ crucified; we pray to the Lord...

That world leaders seek to lighten the cross of those who are bowed down through warfare, violence, natural disaster and injustice; we pray to the Lord...

That the load of those who bear heavy crosses may be lightened, and that those who are sick and suffering may find solace in the cross of Christ; we pray to the Lord...

For all who have died, especially those who have died recently, and past benefactors of our parishes, may they dwell secure with the Lord forever, we pray to the Lord...

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

Michael (Tony) Murphy; Fr Russell Ashworth; Rosaleen Cronin; Mary Gallagher; Sharon McCormack; Adrian Keachie; Lynda Walker; Evie; Dot Meadows.

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

Sheila Wilcock (LD); Maureen Lyons (A); Fred & Nancy Wood (A); David Goodall (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 - mckeddie@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:

Amalia & Thomas (Sp Int); Henry Render (A).

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 SVP.

OL & St P - 200 Club:

Winner 7th September: No 75 - Thomas Regan (F)

St Paulinus - Keep Fit:

Keep fit will be closed on the following dates: 16th and 23rd September, and will re-open on the 30th Sept.

Flea Market transforms into the 'New to You Shop':

Since Oct 2024 the Flea market has raised in excess of £4000 which is a significant contribution to the parish. We want to advertise outside of the parish to encourage more customers to raise even more money! The change of name is to better reflect the range of goods the shop sells. Please take a poster and display at your place of work or other organisations you are involved with. The poster will be available to copy from the parish website for you to share on social media. If you have any other ideas about how we can promote then please call in and speak to a volunteer.

Journey in Faith:

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic? Perhaps your partner is Catholic, and you'd like to find out more about the faith for yourself? Perhaps you know someone who is searching in their faith, and you could point them in this direction? Each year we gather a group of adults (of all ages) to explore the Catholic faith, with a view to being baptised or being received into full communion with the Church. Joining the group doesn't in any way mean that you have to go ahead with baptism or reception - it's a friendly, gentle forum in which we can talk about and learn about the Catholic faith, and the different journeys of faith which people tread. We will begin in October, and meet every other week, after the 7.00pm Mass on a Tuesday evening at

6th & 7th September 2025

Weekly Offerings:

St Joseph's	Env £161.00
	Plate £102.50

Our Lady & St Paulinus'	Env £180.00
	Plate £150.50

Other Income

Flea Market (New to You)	£121.40
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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

St Joseph's. Please contact Fr Stephen if you are interested in joining the group.

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.

The Polyphony Singers:

"The Armada's Musick" Renaissance choral music from Spain and England, including works by Victoria, Lobo, Tallis & Byrd. Friday 19th September, 7pm in the Chapel of the Community of the Resurrection, Mirfield. Entry by donation on the door (suggested £10).

Who Do We Think We Are?

To reflect on this Jubilee Year of Hope, we would like to gather and publish (on the Feast of Christ the Universal King) an oversight of our service as the Catholic community across our two churches and parish communities since the start of the liturgical year in December 2024. Without giving names or personal details, folk from both churches and our three schools are encouraged to send information to Cathy Baxendale by email to: cathyh79@gmail.com as follows:

Service to Church:

e.g., The number and age range of servers, readers, musicians, cleaners, florists, those who meet and greet, serve tea after Mass, catechists, those receiving sacraments. Please also share how you or visitors with you have been made welcome in our churches or where in the world you have been on pilgrimage or prayed for the work of our churches this year

Service to the Community:

e.g., The work of organisations such as the SVP, groups for seniors and/or those with Alzheimer's etc and their carers, children with disabilities, the Flea Market. How many of us do paid or voluntary work as a result of our calling to serve - health, education, social care, emergency services, charity
All info to cathyh79@gmail.com by ALL SAINTS

Macmillan Coffee Morning:

Come along on Saturday September 20th for a Macmillan Coffee Morning from 10.00am - 1.00pm in St Paul's Parish Hall, Cleckheaton. Wide variety of cakes and drinks, socialise and raise money for a great charity. Children's activities and craft stalls too.

Dewsbury Churches Together United Service:

On Sunday 28th September 6.30pm at the Church of the Nazarene Dewsbury. All are welcome!

St John Fisher Catholic Voluntary Academy:

We warmly invite prospective Year 7 and Sixth Form

students and their parents to our Annual Open Day on Saturday 4th October 2025, from 9.30am until 12.30pm. All are welcome!

"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, at 7:30pm. We start at St Mary's Catholic Primary School and end at the nearby St Mary of the Angels' Church. All Welcome. Refreshments afterwards.

Journeying As Older People:

Wednesday 8th October 10am-2pm, Cathedral Hall, Leeds Cathedral. Leeds Diocese older people's charity Growing Old Grace-fully is hosting a morning event offering a chance to reflect on our own journey into later life, as Pilgrims of Hope, and explore finding the God of where in our own life. To book or for more info, please email growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

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.

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

Date for your Diary!

Come along on Thursday 20th November to the Hummingbirds Decade(nce) Concert in St Joseph's Church Hall to celebrate their 10 years together. More details to follow.

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. Thank you for your generous support & prayers.