



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



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 26th October 2025	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (John & Anne Prendergast [50th W. Anniv])	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (Jack Moss [B'day A])	St Paulinus
Tuesday 28th October	Ss Simon and Jude, Apostles		
	7.00pm	Mass (Rev Patrick Kelly [RIP])	St Joseph
Wednesday 29th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	10.00am	Eucharistic Service	St Joseph
Thursday 30th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	10.00am	Eucharistic Service	St Paulinus
Friday 31st October	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	10.00am	Eucharistic Service	St Paulinus
Sunday 2nd November 2025	The Solemnity of All Saints		
	5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Rev Patrick Kelly [RIP])	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (Jack Moss [B'day A])	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

Let us now turn to the Father, in humility and faith, with our prayers for our needs and the needs of the world:

For Pope Leo, Bishop Marcus and all our bishops, that they will lead us into a deeper commitment to spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ.

For our world, that leaders of nations will humbly seek to serve their people without care for political or personal gain.

For those who are nearing the end of their life, that they will receive the compassionate care and spiritual support they need.

For each one of us gathered here, that the Holy Spirit will guide and support us, giving us the grace to embrace a life of humble prayer and selfless service.

For all who are elderly or infirm, sick or suffering, especially those who have no-one to pray for them, that they will come to experience God's healing touch.

God our Father, our strength and our protection, open our hearts to your grace that we may always know, and do, your will. 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...

Michael (Tony) Murphy; Fr Russell Ashworth; Rosaleen Cronin; Mary Gallagher; Sharon McCormack; Adrian Keachie; Lynda Walker; Evie; Dot Meadows; Rosie & Gordon Fisher; Jean Fisher; Chris Sinclair; Kat Madina; Terry Hopkins; Val; Simon; Virgie Acharon; Stella Duda; Terence Swift; Tricia Galido.

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); Bridget Dearmer (B'day A); Jane Beddows (LD); Bernard McGrath (LD); Helen (A); Shedu (A); Eileen Goodwin (LD); Jack Millar (A); Cissie Atkinson (LD); Carmela Walker (A); Glenis Brown (LD); David Gledhill (LD); Robert Fargie (LD); Sharon Potter (LD).

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:

Jozef Orsos (1st A); Rev Patrick Kelly (RIP) x2; Sam Lawlor (LD); Anna McHale (LD); Marjorie Webb (Sp Int) x2; Richard O'Brien (RIP); John & Anne Prendergast (Golden Wedding); Peter Collins (A); Marlene Diskin (A); Rishard Barcikowski (LD).

November - Month of the Holy Souls:

All Souls Day is celebrated this year on **Monday 3rd November**, and we shall be offering Mass for all the Holy Souls at **12.00noon in St Paulinus Church**, and **7.00pm in St Joseph's Church**. At the All Souls Masses we shall remember all our loved ones who have died. Please do come along.

In preparation for the Mass, and for the month of the Holy Souls, I have now made available the Holy Souls envelopes at the back of each Church. These are for you to take, and complete with a list of your departed loved ones to remember and add to the "List of the Dead", for whom we shall offer Masses throughout November and the rest of the year, both in the parish and outside the parish. Once you have completed your list, please place it with your offering into the envelope and return it to the Presbytery or else put it into the offertory plate as it comes around at Mass - then again, you could also just hand it directly to me! Please remember that these envelopes are for the "List of the Dead / Holy Souls", and not for individual Masses to be offered as is the custom in November each year. Many thanks, Fr Stephen

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 Faith and Light.

Soup Lunch for Faith and Light at OL & SP:

On Remembrance Sunday 9th November. Tickets £2 for soup/sandwich, apple pie & cream available after Mass or pay on the day.

OL & SP - 200 Club:

Winner 19th October: No 93 - Joyce Prosser

18th & 19th October 2025 Weekly Offerings:		
St Joseph's	Env	£160.00
	Plate	£107.75
Our Lady & St Paulinus'	Env	£186.70
	Plate	£155.30
Other Income		
'New to You' Shop		£91.75
St J Hall Hire		£60.00
OLSP Hall Hire		£100.00
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

OL & SP Christmas Fair - Saturday 6th December :

Thrift tickets to spend at the Fair - available after Mass!

Journey in Faith:

The Next Meeting of our Journey in Faith group is on Tuesday 4th November after the 7.00pm Mass at St Joseph's. There's still time to join the programme!

First Sacraments 2026:

Having published the dates last weekend, there appeared a clash with the Year 6 Residential from St Joseph's School, and so please note the change of date for the Confirmation Service!

Confirmation:

For those in Year 6 or above, the celebration of the Sacrament with the Bishop will be **Friday 30th January 2026**. Details below about the courses of preparation on offer in both churches.

First Reconciliation:

This is for children in Year 3 or above. The celebration of the Sacrament will take place on Tuesday 24th March 2026 in St Joseph's, and Thursday 26th March 2026 in St Paulinus'. More details of the preparation will follow in due course.

First Holy Communion:

This is for children in Year 4 or above. The celebrations will take place on Saturday 6th June 2026 at St Joseph's, and Sunday 7th June 2026 at St Paulinus', being the Masses for Corpus Christi. Details of the courses of preparation will follow in due course.

The celebration of these Sacraments is about growing in the life of the Church - so regular attendance at Mass is a key part of that preparation!

Confirmation Preparation in St Joseph's Hall:

For those who are Year 6 or older and not attending sessions at St Paulinus' school, the first 2 sessions will be on Saturday 1st and 8th November 3.00pm – 5.30pm, in St Joseph's Church Hall. Please speak to Fr Stephen or Sarah Riley if you are interested in attending.

Confirmation Preparation in St Paulinus' School:

Classes will take place at the end of the school day on Mondays, beginning on Monday 10th November 2025. To join these classes, please speak with Miss Regan either in school or at church.

New to You Shop:

Don't forget to download the poster from the church website and share on social media

Online Rosary for the Diocese:

There will be an opportunity to come together to pray a Rosary for the needs and intentions of the Diocese on Tuesday 28th October at 2pm via Microsoft Teams. Please email anne.cooke@dioceseofleeds.org.uk for joining details.

Council of Christians and Jews (Leeds Branch)

Annual Public Lecture 2025:

The Most Reverend and Right Honourable Stephen Cottrell, the 98th Archbishop of York will be giving the Lecture. All welcome, Admission free, but booking required at <https://ccj251028.eventbrite.co.uk>

At The Banquet Hall, Leeds Civic Hall (by kind permission and in the presence of the Lord Mayor of Leeds, Cllr Dan Cohen) All donations welcome. Tuesday 28th October 2025, 8.00pm.

Leeds Cathedral Guided Tours Autumn Programme:

Free Guided Tours will take place on the following dates: Saturday 8th November, at 1.30pm; and Saturday 13th December, at 1.30pm. The tours last

about 1 hour. No booking is required. On arrival, please gather by the Font at the back of the Cathedral.

Hummingbirds Decade(nce) Concert

Hummingbirds Decade(nce) Concert, including hot supper 20th November Ticket £8 are now on sale. Money raised will be shared between our SVP and St John Fisher Lourdes Fund. If you can help making meat/vegetarian or vegan chilli please sign up on the clipboard in St Jospeh's Church.

St Joseph's Christmas Stall:

This will be on 29th/30th November. The same weekend we will be getting out our Christmas stock in the New to You shop including preloved trees, decorations, jumpers.

Lourdes Pilgrimage Volunteers Information Evening:

Ever thought of going on the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes volunteering as a nurse or as part of the hospitality team but want to know more, then you are invited to an information evening about the roles and pilgrimage. Hinsley Hall, Monday 1st December, 7pm. For more information, please email phil.marshall@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or 07766 148375. To register interest please email recruitment.lourdes@dioceseofleeds.org.uk, or simply turn up on the evening.

Neurodiversity and Our Catholic Faith:

This is the subject of research being conducted by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales and Birmingham Newman University. If you're an adult neurodivergent Catholic or a Caregiver of a neurodivergent Catholic, we want to hear from you. Your experiences will help us to become more inclusive and responsive to your needs. To find out more and to fill in our short surveys look here: www.godwhospeaks.uk/neurodivergent-catholic-surveys/

Who Do We Think We Are?

To reflect on this Jubilee Year of Hope, we would like to gather and publish 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 via email to: cathyh79@gmail.com by ALL SAINTS

Catholic Primary Academy Admissions:

For more information contact either:

St Joseph's School - Tel: 01924 462053 email: office@stjosephsdewsbury.co.uk

St Paulinus' School - Tel: 01924 488282 or email Mrs Lohn at office@stpaulinus.org

St Paulinus School Vacancies:

We have vacancies from Reception to Year 6, should you wish for your child to come to St Paulinus' School. Please contact the school office for more details.

Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) Survivors' Survey:

As part of a thematic audit of survivor engagement, the CSSA is actively seeking insight from those who have lived experience of abuse and is carrying out a public call for information. This is an opportunity for anybody with information to share with the CSSA (anonymously if you wish). Please visit their dedicated webpage <https://catholicsafeguarding.org.uk/contact-us-and-other-information/public-calls-for-information/>