



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



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 16th November 2025 Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Ann Broome [LD] / HS)	St Joseph
9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People / HS)	St Joseph
11.00am	Mass (Margaret Owen [Foundation] / HS)	St Paulinus

Tuesday 18th November Weekday in Ordinary Time

7.00pm	Mass (Private intention [A&T] / HS)	St Joseph
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Wednesday 19th November Weekday in Ordinary Time

10.00am	Mass (Freda & Arthur Siddall [LD & RIP] / HS)	St Joseph
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Thursday 20th November Weekday in Ordinary Time

10.00am	Mass (Peter Collins [A] / HS)	St Paulinus
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Friday 21st November The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10.00am	Mass (Anna McHale [LD] / HS)	St Paulinus
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Sunday 23rd November 2025 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Harold & Ellen Jelly [RIP] / HS)	St Joseph
9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People / HS)	St Joseph
11.00am	Mass (William 'Billy' Buckley [A] / HS)	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

With confidence in God's faithfulness and mercy, let us bring our prayers before the Lord:

For the Church, that she may be a sign of hope and healing amid the troubles and chaos of today's world.

For our world, that warring nations may turn their attention and care to working for lasting peace.

For all who experience terror and fear due to natural and human disasters, that they will receive spiritual and physical comfort and healing.

For the unemployed and those who are exploited in the workplace, that we may build a society where all may find dignity and respect.

For our own gathered community, that the risen Christ among us may inspire us in service and holiness of life.

For the sick, the suffering and the housebound, and for all who have died, that they may be touched by the light of God's love.

Heavenly Father, you know each one of us and all our needs. Forgive our failings, keep us in your peace and lead us in the way of salvation. 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); James Jenkins (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:

Peter Brian Roche (A); Peter Brian Roche (B'day A); Thomas Diskin (A); Jim Norris (1st A); Freda & Arthur Siddall (LD / RIP); Beatrice McGowan (B'day A); Alice Watson (B'day A).

St Joseph's Coffee after Mass:

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

St Joseph's 50 Club:

October Winner - Number 42 - Patrick Walsh.

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 The SVP.

OL & SP - 200 Club:

Winner 9th November: No 86 - Trevor Teale.

OL & SP Christmas Fair - Saturday 6th December :

In the Hall. Raffle Tickets to sell, will given out after Mass this weekend. The list for donations for Raffle prizes is on the notice board. Items for the Fair - bottles, toiletries, gifts, tombola prizes, plants, jams, pickles etc., please bring them to Church or the Hall asap. 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 18th November after the 7.00pm Mass at St Joseph's. There's still time to join the programme!

First Sacraments 2026:

Confirmation: For those in Year 6 or above, the celebration of the Sacrament with the Bishop will be Friday 30th January 2026.

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'.

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.

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!

8th / 9th November 2025

Weekly Offerings:

St Joseph's

Env £205.00

Plate £112.50

Our Lady & St Paulinus'

Env £185.70

Plate £181.30

Other Income

'New to You' Shop

£109.20

OLSP - Hall Hire

£555.00

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

New to You Shop:

The New to You Shop have a selection of preloved Christmas Jumpers and PJs for sale. Coming soon Christmas Trees and decorations.

Vinted:

Do you trade regularly on Vinted? Would you consider selling items donated to the New to You shop for a small commission plus P&P ? If so call in to discuss.

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. Friday 6.30pm -8.15pm: 19th December (Venue TBC). 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 vocations@dioceseofleeds.org.uk.

African Mass:

16th November 1.00pm - at St Columba's, Tong Street, BD4 9PY followed by Agape lunch, all welcome.

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 Joseph's Church.

Diocesan Mass for Deceased Clergy:

Leeds Cathedral, Friday 21st November, 12.30pm. All welcome

Fauré Requiem:

St Austin's Choir will be coming to Holy Spirit Church, Heckmondwike, on Friday 21st November at 7.00pm to sing during a Solemn Mass for the deceased clergy of the parish. All are welcome.

St Joseph's Christmas Stall:

Christmas Stall in St Joseph's Hall 29th and 30th November. Please leave donations in the box in the porch - bottles, gifts, , sweets and chocolates. Cakes to be brought on the day. Thank you

Leeds Church Institute 'Come As You Are' Online Retreat:

Saturday 29th November. Designed by disabled Christians, for disabled Christians, there will be no pressure to be on camera, to speak, or to produce anything. Just time to rest, reflect, and be together. We will share in readings, quiet creative practices, and theological reflections on waiting, not as a passive or frustrating absence, but as a deep act of presence, faith, and dignity. Booking at <https://lcileeds.org/events/>

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 on lourdes.enquires@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/

Bereavement Accompaniment Training:

Elizabeth Prout Bereavement Care are offering a two day training course in bereavement accompaniment on Saturdays 11th and 18th January 2026 at The Briery Retreat Centre in Ilkley. The cost is £70 and includes a cooked 2 course lunch and refreshments on both days. For more information, please email: epbereavementcare@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or contact The Briery on 01943 607287.

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.

Early Years Open Morning:

St Paulinus School, Tuesday 18th November from 9.00am until 10.30am.

HCPT - Carols by Candlelight:

Carols by Candlelight with St Paulinus School Choir - Sunday 14th December 6.30pm in the Hall. Raising money for the Easter 2026 Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Tickets - adults £3.00, children - £1.00.

Holy Spirit Parish Pilgrimage 2026:

Are you interested in joining in a parish pilgrimage to Fatima next year? Depart August 20th 2026 and return August 27th-full details from Susan 07956048711

Diocesan Interreligious Co-Ordinator Appointment:

Bishop Marcus Stock has appointed Dr Ann Marie Mealey, Director of Catholic Mission at Leeds Trinity University as the new Interreligious Coordinator for the Diocese of Leeds. If you would like to contact Ann Marie and support how we might jointly shape our approach to working with other faith traditions in our Diocese, please send an email to: interreligious@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Personal Pilgrimage to Rome:

Last week, I was privileged to make a personal pilgrimage to Rome before the end of the Jubilee Year. During my few days there, I was able to enter the 4 Papal basilicas through the Holy Doors, and fulfil the other obligations of Confession, Holy Mass and Prayers for our Holy Father. On Wednesday I attended the Papal Audience in St Peter's Square, and on Thursday I travelled to Assisi to pray at the shrine of St Carlo Acutis. Throughout all of this, I have held dearly each one of you, as my parishioners, and also my personal intentions before our loving Heavenly Father.