



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



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 11th January 2026

The Baptism of the Lord

5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (John Utting [B'day A])	St Joseph
9.30am	Mass (Cardinal Arthur Roche [Sp Int])	St Joseph
11.00am	Mass (James & Ivy Shields [A / RIP])	St Paulinus

Tuesday 13th January

Weekday in Ordinary Time

7.00pm	Mass (Paul Martin [Christmas Bouquet])	St Joseph
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Wednesday 14th January

Weekday in Ordinary Time

In St Joseph's School

10.00am	Mass (Evelyn Glynn (Christmas Bouquet))	St Joseph
6.00pm	Reception of Remains - Stella Duda	St Paulinus

Thursday 15th January

Weekday in Ordinary Time

10.00am	Requiem Mass Stanisława "Stella" Duda	St Paulinus
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Friday 16th January

Weekday in Ordinary Time

10.00am	Mass (Peter Logue [LD])	St Paulinus
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Sunday 18th January 2026

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Angela Cox [LD])	St Joseph
9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
11.00am	Mass (Private Intention [J])	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

On this Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, when Christ was revealed as the Beloved Son, we turn to God our Father confident that he will hear and answer our prayers:

For the Church, that all who have been baptised will be inspired by the Holy Spirit to give united witness to the Lord.

For all those who do not yet know Jesus as the beloved Son of God, that they may open their hearts and come to believe in the Good News.

For peace with justice throughout the world, that all people will turn from hatred to love and from violence to peace.

For all those in our parish, both children and adults, who will be baptised in the coming year.

For the sick, the lonely, the housebound and the vulnerable that, in the midst of their suffering, they will experience the loving arms of Christ.

Open the heavens, Almighty Father, and pour out your Spirit upon your people gathered here in prayer. Renew in us the grace of our Baptism so that we may reflect ever more faithfully the image of your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ, who is Lord for ever and ever.

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

Bishop Douglas Crosby; Joseph Cunningham; Christina Sweeney; Rev Russell Ashworth; Pat Walsh; Margaret Ewart.

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

Muriel Ferreras (LD); Luba (LD); Phillip Waite (A); Chris Sinclair (LD); Tracy Wilcock (LD); Ann Pygott (A); Lucena Cabico (A); Marie Kelly (A); Ada Thompson (A); Marie Wood (A); Oliver Jennings (A); Zelma Ozols (LD); Giuseppe Gerado Lencki (A); Peter Logue (LD); Stella Duda (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 - see at St Joseph's

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 - Looking for more volunteers - always!

St J - Elaine Ellis - 07933 272277

Church Flowers Contacts

OLSP - Ask in Church

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

Interim Head: Ms E McDonagh 01924 488282

St Joseph's Catholic Primary Academy

Headteacher: Mrs C Bulloch 01924 462053

St John Fisher Catholic Academy

Headteacher: Mr K Mackey 01924 527000

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Cardinal Arthur Roche (Sp Int); Arthur Francis Roche (A); Arthur Francis Roche (B'day A); Peter Logue (LD); Private Intention (J); Patrick & Eileen Lyons; Patrick Hird (LD).

Join Bishop Marcus in Praying for Vocations:

Our Lady of Unfailing Help! Pray that the Lord of the Harvest will send labourers into His harvest and that He will grant an abundance of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life within the Diocese of Leeds, and throughout the world. Amen.

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 it is in aid of the Friends of St Paulinus School.

OL & SP - 200 Club:

Winner 4th Jan: No. 184 - Pat McManus.

Confirmations Sessions at St Joseph's:

The next confirmation preparation session at St Joseph's will be on Saturday 17th January at 3pm in the Church hall.

Food Bank Donations at St Paulinus':

Please bring items for the foodbank supported by our parish - there is a box at the back of Church for your donations of tinned and non-perishable foods. Thanks!

Journey in Faith:

The Next Meeting of Journey in Faith is on Tuesday 13th January after the 7.00pm Mass at St Joseph's.

First Sacraments 2026:

Confirmation:

Friday 30th January 2026 - 6.30pm.

First Reconciliation:

Tuesday 24th March 2026 in St Joseph's, and Thursday 26th March 2026 in St Paulinus'.

First Holy Communion:

Saturday 6th June 2026 at St Joseph's, and Sunday 7th June 2026 at St Paulinus'.

Franciscan Friars of the Renewal - Discipleship Days:

Please join the Franciscan Friars (CFR's) at St Patrick's

3rd / 4th January 2026

Weekly Offerings:

St Joseph's

Env £179.00

Plate £91.50

Our Lady & St Paulinus'

Env £171.00

Plate £134.00

Other Income

Hall Hire OLSP

£60.00

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

Mission Church, Bradford. The theme is "Called to Holiness: The Second Vatican Council after 60 Years". Upcoming dates, January 10, February 7, March 7, and May 2. The day includes Rosary, Holy Mass, a reflection on the Second Vatican Council documents, Confessions and Eucharistic adoration, concluding around 4:30 pm. Lunch will be provided.

Bereavement Accompaniment Training:

Elizabeth Prout Bereavement Care are offering a two-day training course in bereavement accompaniment on Saturdays 17th and 24th 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. More information, please email epbereavementcare@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or contact The Briery on 01943 607287.

OLSP Reconciliation Preparation Sessions:

The sessions will begin at St Paulinus Academy on Monday 19th January. Any children in Year 3 or above, who do not attend St Paulinus Academy speak with Fr Stephen or Miss Regan to make arrangements for preparation.

Catenians - Mass for Vocations:

Prior to their monthly meeting on Tuesday 20th January which this month only will be at the 315 Restaurant 315 Wakefield Road Lepton HD8 0LX, Father Michael Hall, the Huddersfield Circle Chaplain, will celebrate Mass with the Catenians at 7.00pm. All welcome. After the meeting at around 8.15pm will be a two-course meal costing £24 per person. Further 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.

A Day for Catechists - "for such as these":

On Saturday 24th January, 10am-3pm offered by the Diocesan Vicariate for Education - Hinsley Hall. A day aimed at those involved with Children's Liturgy of the Word and other ministry with children. We will explore different resources and ideas to best form our children and young people - with times of prayer, input, Mass and discussion. Free event with lunch provided. Please email formation@dioceseofleeds.org.uk to book your place.

Annual Martin House Quiz:

This wonderful event will take place on Friday 30th January 2026, at the Parochial Hall starting at 8.00pm. Teams of 5 or 6 people £10 / £12 entry. Contact Roy or Jim for more details.

Annual Lourdes Dinner Dance:

Friday 13th February 2026 at the Met hotel in Leeds. Tickets are available from Phil Marshall at £45 or £400 for a table of 10. The ticket price includes reception drink, a 3 course Meal, Tea & coffee, DJ and entertainment throughout the evening. To secure your tickets for this popular event, contact Phil on 07766 148375 or email philmarshall49@outlook.com.

Lourdes Nurses Volunteer Appeal:

Are you a qualified nurse? Would you like to join the diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes (3-9 July 2026)? Please contact: lourdes.enquiries@dioceseofleeds.org.uk for further information. We desperately need registered nurses to join the team to enable our assisted pilgrims to travel to Lourdes. This is a wonderful experience, and many nurses return year after year. Please

consider joining our friendly, happy team of volunteers and enjoy a truly blessed week with our assisted pilgrims.

Information Session For The Permanent Diaconate:

For the attention of men between 35-55 years who may be considering a calling to an ordained ministry. There is to be an informal information session on the diaconate on Saturday 24th January at Hinsley Hall between 10.30am - 12.30pm. For further details contact Deacon Joe on joseph.cortis@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Relics of St Gerard Majella:

On Monday 26th January, Holy Redeemer Parish, Huddersfield will have the privilege of hosting the relics of St Gerard Majella. He is popularly invoked as a patron of mothers, particularly expectant mothers, couples trying to conceive, and those looking for work. Come along to pray in front of his relics, participate in Mass at St Patrick's at 7pm, and receive a blessing with his relics.

On Tuesday 27th January, St Joseph's, Bradford will host the relics with Mass at St Joseph's at 6.30 pm.

On Wednesday 28th January, St Austin's and English Martyrs parish, Wakefield will host the relics, with Mass at St Austin's at 7pm.

On Thursday 29th January, Leeds Cathedral will host the relics with Mass at the Cathedral at 5.30pm.

Crib Offerings 2025

This is the last weekend that the boxes will be available to support the two Holy Land Charities. This year we have been supporting two "The Friends of the Holy Land", and the "Bethlehem Care and Hospice Trust". Our Offerings will be split between both charities. If you would like to donate directly to a particular charity, here are their details:

FHL: <https://www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/>

BCHT: <https://bethlehemcareandhospicetrust.org/>

Catholic Diocesan Supply Service:

We are looking for Teachers, Teaching Assistants and SEN Support Staff to work with schools across the Diocese. Call us on 0113 331 4121 or 01422 384 100.

Growing Old Grace-fully Vacancy:

Growing Old Grace-fully is looking for a freelancer to support work across the diocese, with a focus on unpaid Carers. The project has funding for 12 hours per week (or monthly equivalent) at £20 per hour plus travel expenses. We have funding initially for a one-year contract. Closing date: 16th January 2026. Interviews: Thursday 28th January 2026. For an application pack please e mail carol.burns@yahoo.co.uk To find out more go to www.growingoldgracefully.org.uk

Senior Grants and Fundraising Officer Vacancy:

The Finance Department of the Diocese of Leeds, is recruiting a Senior Grants and Fundraising Officer. Based at Hinsley Hall, Leeds. More details at www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/vacancies/. Deadline for applications is Friday, 30 January 2026 and first interviews to be held on Wednesday, 4 February 2026.

ACN Recruiting Parish Appealers:

Would you like to earn a little money while doing something powerful to support persecuted Christians and Christians in need? Join the ACN self-employed parish appealer team and share stories in parishes while you raise much needed funds and prayers. See: <https://acnuk.org/jobs>