



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



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

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 (Patrick Hird (LD) / Parishes & People)	St Joseph
11.00am	Mass (Private Intention [J])	St Paulinus

Tuesday 20th January

Weekday in Ordinary Time

7.00pm	Mass (Ann Pygott [RIP])	St Joseph
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Wednesday 21st January

St Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

10.00am	Mass (Eileen Goodwin [RIP])	St Joseph
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Thursday 22nd January

Weekday in Ordinary Time

10.00am	Mass (Jim Norris [B'day A])	St Paulinus
11.00am	Funeral Service for Bridget Lennon	St Joseph

Friday 23rd January

Weekday in Ordinary Time

10.00am	Mass (S & K Harrington [Golden Wedding])	St Paulinus
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Sunday 25th January 2026

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Maureen Oldroyd [A])	St Joseph
9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
11.00am	Mass (Margaret Swift [B'day A])	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

Let us come before the Lord, in faith and thanksgiving for his love.

We pray for the Church throughout the world, for our Holy Father, Pope Leo, our Bishop, Marcus and the priests of our diocese, that they will be open to the promptings of the Holy Spirit.

As the week of Christian Unity begins, we pray for our fellow Christians with whom we share one baptism.

May our example of fellowship as Christians draw others to the Lord.

We pray that those fearful of the future and those in distress will be comforted.

We pray for the victims of conflict, continuing peace in the Holy Land, for peace in Ukraine, for those suffering conflict in Yemen and Sudan, and those in Venezuela and Iran enduring upheaval in their nations.

*We pray for those in our parish community who are sick, at home or in hospital and for all who care for them.
We pray also for those who have died recently, and those whose anniversary occurs at this time.*

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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; Adrian Keechi; Rosaleen Cronin; Rosie & Gordon Fisher; James Staniforth; Marcelo Casera.

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); Ronan John Harrington (A); Maureen Oldroyd (A); Lynda Walker; David Cleary (LD); David Gledhill (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 - 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:

S & K Harrington (Golden Wedding); Stella Duda (LD); Thanksgiving (80th Birthday); Theresa & Peter Lodge (A).

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 SVP.

OL & SP - 200 Club:

Winner 11th Jan: No. 11 - Ann Jennings.

First Reconciliation Preparation at St Joseph's:

Reconciliation preparation at St Joseph's will be on the following Saturdays: 7th, 14th and 21st March 3:30pm to 5:30pm in the hall. Open to anyone from Y3 upwards. Please collect an application form from church if you wish to enrol.

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 27th January after the 7.00pm Mass at St Joseph's.

First Sacraments 2026:

Confirmation:

Friday 30th January 2026 - 6.30pm in St Paulinus'.

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'.

10th / 11th January 2026

Weekly Offerings:

St Joseph's

Env £150.00

Plate £132.80

Our Lady & St Paulinus'

Env £211.20

Plate £201.50

Other Income

New to You Shop

£120.50

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 Charity Christmas Card:

The share a card raised £50 for Kirkwood Hospice. Thank you.

Franciscan Friars of the Renewal - Discipleship Days:

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

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.

'Peace Be With You!' – A Retreat Day:

Saturday 31st January at The Briery, Ilkley. All are invited to join Wharfedale parishioners for a day of prayer and reflection at the start of the year. 10.00-3.30 £35pp including a two-course home-cooked lunch and all refreshments. For more information and to book, contact Beth 01943 607287 or admin@briery.org.uk

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.

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>

Upcoming Funeral Arrangements:

Kathleen Simpson - Wednesday 21st January, Lawnswood Crematorium (Leeds) at 1.45pm.

Bridget Lennon - Thursday 22nd January, Service in St Joseph's Church at 11.00am.

Mary Cass - Wednesday 4th February, Requiem Mass at St Paulinus' Church at 1.30pm.

Richard Skiba - Thursday 5th February, Dewsbury Crematorium at 2.00pm.