



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



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 1st February 2026

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Arthur Francis Roche [A])	St Joseph
9.30am	Mass (Carmela Walker [B'day A] / Pro Pop)	St Joseph
11.00am	Mass (Stella Duda [LD])	St Paulinus

Tuesday 3rd February

St Blaise, Bishop & Martyr

7.00pm	Mass (David MacRae [A])	St Joseph
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Wednesday 4th February

Weekday in Ordinary Time

10.00am	Mass (John Lyons [A / B'day A])	St Joseph
1.30pm	Requiem Mass for Mary Cass	St Paulinus

Thursday 5th February

St Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

10.00am	Mass (Thomas Sword [80th B'day Thanks])	St Paulinus
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Friday 6th February

Ss Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

10.00am	Mass (Nora Moss (nee Boland) & Patrick Boland)	St Paulinus
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Sunday 8th February 2026

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
9.30am	Mass (Arthur Francis Roche [B'day A])	St Joseph
11.00am	Mass (Patrick Hird [LD])	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

We pray for the Church in the world, for our Holy Father, Pope Leo, our bishops and the priests of our diocese, that they will lead us in faith.

On the eve of the feast of Candlemas, may we celebrate the coming of Christ, light of the world and may we heed the word of Christ in the Gospel, that we will be humble and gentle in our way of life

On Racial Justice Sunday, we pray that we will recognise the value of everyone and treat them accordingly with love, respect and dignity.

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 those who care for them. We pray also for those who have recently died, and those whose anniversaries are 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; Evie; Marcelo Casera; Myfanwy Hunter.

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); Michael Cutone; Armando Cutone; Martha Sadler (A); Julie & Michael Crowther.

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 - amypreece@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:

Michael McPherson (A); Michael McPherson (B'day A); Jace Velora Colaco (7th Birthday); Margaret, Gordon, Haisha & Lee Pygott (RIP); John Lyons (A / B'day A); David MacRae (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.

Society of St Vincent de Paul in our Parishes:

The SVP assists individuals and families in need. If you or someone you know could use support or would simply welcome a caring visit... Confidentially call 07386 853 558

Annual Martin House Quiz:

Congratulations to all who took part in this super evening! £1033 was raised on the night, and with pledged match-funding a grand total of £1783 will be sent to Martin House. Thank you all!

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 Faith & Light.

OL & SP - 200 Club:

Winner 18th Jan: - Michael Woods .

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. To enrol, please collect an application form from church.

Food Bank Donations at St Paulinus':

There is a box at the back of Church for your donations of tinned and non-perishable foods. Many thanks!

Journey in Faith:

The Next Meeting of Journey in Faith is on Tuesday 10th February after the 7.00pm Mass at St Joseph's.

24th / 25th January 2026 Weekly Offerings:

St Joseph's	Env £223.00
	Plate £110.50
Our Lady & St Paulinus'	Env £221.00
	Plate £147.50

Other Income

New to You Shop	£128.50
Hall Income OLSP	£120.00
Hall Income OLSP	£550.00

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

First Sacraments 2026:

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'.

Ash Wednesday and Last Year's Palm Crosses:

Please bring into church any old palm crosses to be burned to produce the ash for Ash Wednesday. There will be a box available in each of our Churches for this purpose. 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, 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.

The Diocese of Leeds Community Choir:

welcomes all parish musicians and parishioners, all choir parents and friends, and all school and Diocesan staff to come together and sing! Rehearsals work towards singing Mass in Leeds Cathedral, and will take place from 2.30pm - 4.00pm 25th January, 8th and 22nd February, 8th, 15th and 22nd March at the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Moortown. Please email: office@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk to sign up.

HCPT Group 74 Pig Race:

On Friday 6th February, first Race 7:30pm at St. Paulinus Parochial Hall. Free entry - so please come and support our family fundraiser!

Vivaldi's Gloria with Gabrieli Roar:

Hear Vivaldi's ever-popular Gloria in a vibrant performance by Gabrieli Roar, bringing together Gabrieli's professional singers and orchestra with young singers from choirs across the Diocese of Leeds Schools Singing Programme. The programme opens with Baroque favourites by Monteverdi and Purcell, showcasing music written nearly 350 years ago and still thrilling young singers today. Saturday 7th February at 7.45pm at Leeds Cathedral. To book: www.ticketsource.co.uk/gabrieli

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.

Leeds Cathedral Guided Tours:

Free Guided Tours will take place on Saturday 14th February and Saturday 7th March, starting at 1.30pm. The tours last about 1 hour. Booking not required. On arrival, please gather by the Baptismal Font at the back of the Cathedral.

Pax Christi Ash Wednesday Prayers:

Leeds for the second year running is organising prayers of repentance on Ash Wednesday 18th February at 12.30 pm Dortmund Square, Leeds. We repent for all those involved in nuclear war preparations to repent

and have a change of heart. We will also pray that all us speak out for peace.

New Men's Group:

The Oratory of St Joseph, for young Catholic or other interested laymen aged between 21 & 35. Monthly meetings at Hinsley Hall LS6 2BX, for prayer, Benediction, talks, social time & free supper. Inaugural meeting Thursday 26th February, 6.30-8.30pm. Contact: benjamin.hilton@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Calling Teachers & School Leaders:

Are you a Catholic teacher or leader working outside the Catholic sector? Would you consider applying for a job in one of our diocesan schools? Diocesan Director of Education Kieron Flood will be hosting an on-line briefing for all those who are interested on Thursday 19th March: 6-7pm. To book your place, please email Emma: education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2026:

The 2026 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place Friday 3rd to Thursday 9th July 2026. It is hoped that there will be two flights from Leeds. Bookings can be made online on <https://www.tangney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-leeds/> or by phone direct with Tangney (01732 886666).

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 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.

Volunteer Members to the Education Sub-Cttee:

The Diocese of Leeds, Vicariate for Education are seeking additional volunteer members to the Education sub-committee. The committee oversees the work of the Vicariate for Education in Education, Youth and Adult Faith Formation. We are seeking those who have skills or experience in the areas of Adult Faith Formation and/or Youth Work. Further information from Kieron Flood, Director of Education: education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk.

The Year of St Francis of Assisi:

This year is the 800th Anniversary of the Saint's death, and Pope Leo XIV has declared a 'Year of St Francis' which will run until January 2027. Throughout 2026, the Leeds Justice and Peace Conservation and Environment website will be dedicated to St Francis of Assisi and to all the good news stories of how our clergy and lay faithful in parishes and schools across our Diocese are Caring for Creation, progressing peace and reconciliation, and supporting those experiencing poverty. We will be having our usual Laudato Si' Mini-Pilgrimages for each season of the year, Blessings of Animals, and supporting many projects and initiatives to make our parishes and schools as environmentally, socially and economically sustainable as possible!

Upcoming Funeral Arrangements:

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

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