



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



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Sunday 8th February 2026</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
	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
<b>Tuesday 10th February</b>	11.00am	Mass (Patrick Hird [LD])	St Paulinus
	<b>St Scholastica, Virgin</b>		
	7.00pm	Mass (Theresa & Peter Lodge [A])	St Joseph
	<b>Our Lady of Lourdes</b> (World Day of Prayer for the Sick and Carers)		
<b>Wednesday 11th February</b>	10.00am	Mass (Bill Waite [A])	St Joseph
	<b>Thursday 12th February</b> Weekday in Ordinary Time		
<b>Friday 13th February</b>	10.00am	Mass (Holy Souls)	St Paulinus
	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b>		
<b>Sunday 15th February 2026</b>	10.00am	Mass (Ludwik & Stella Duda [RIP])	St Paulinus
	<b>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
	5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (Patrick & Eileen Lyons [RIP])	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (Marie Waters [A])	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

My brothers and sisters, trusting in God's loving care for all creation, let us bring our prayers before him.  
For the Church: that Pope Leo, our bishops, clergy and all the faithful may be renewed in faith and courage, and continue to proclaim the Gospel with joy and compassion.  
For the nations of the world: that leaders may work tirelessly for peace, justice and reconciliation, especially where there is conflict, division or fear, and that the dignity of every human life may be upheld.  
For our local and national community: that we may grow in generosity and care for one another, supporting those who are struggling with the cost of living, loneliness, illness or uncertainty about the future.  
For those who are sick, suffering or in need: that all who feel burdened in body, mind or spirit may know God's healing presence, and be comforted by the love and support of others.  
For the faithful departed: that those who have died, especially those known to us, may be welcomed into the fullness of eternal life, and that those who mourn may be strengthened by hope.  
God of mercy and love, hear the prayers we have offered in faith. 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...**  
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.

Please remember to turn-off mobile phones before Mass begins...Thank you!

REGULAR EVENTS & CONTACTS

APF Red Mission Boxes

Contact: Elaine Ellis - 07933 272277

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

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

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.

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Bill Waite (A); Cissie Atkinson (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.

Ash Wednesday Masses in our Churches:

10.00am - St Joseph's & 6.00pm - St Paulinus'

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!

OL & SP - 200 Club:

Winner 18th Jan: 101 - Susan Goddard

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.

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'.

31st January / 1st February 2026

Weekly Offerings:

St Joseph's

Env £215.00

Plate £145.90

Our Lady & St Paulinus'

Env £210.80

Plate £274.11

Other Income

New to You Shop

£105.50

St J 50 Club

£200.00

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

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!

Lent Groups - "We Dare to Ask":

This year, we will have two Lent Groups meeting each week during the season. We are piloting a Lent Scheme which has been prepared by the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales and is entitled "We Dare to Ask". This course, spread over the five weeks of Lent seeks to encourage an appreciation of what is given in Christian Baptism. God desires what is best for each of us while respecting our freedom to choose. To express our acceptance of the wonderful gift that God offers us, with open hearts and a willingness to change for the better, all we need to do is ask.

We will meet at St Joseph's Church after the Tuesday evening Mass (7.00pm) and at St Paulinus' Church after the Thursday morning Mass (10.00am). Please remember that you can attend either of these venues - the content will be the same in both!

Pietra Fitness® Lenten Series:

We are pleased to offer a programme of Pietra Fitness classes during the season of Lent. Pietra Fitness is a mind, body and soul workout that gently stretches, strengthens and tones the body while refreshing the soul with prayer. Classes incorporate Christian prayer and meditation in the Catholic Tradition. These classes are offered free of charge during Lent, with an optional contribution towards hall hire costs and charitable donations.

Lent is a perfect time to try these classes, offering a chance to give up an hour of your time each week as a Lenten sacrifice, dedicating that time to prayerful movement, with the added opportunity for almsgiving. A Gentle Class for Women will be offered in St Paulinus Parochial Hall on Mondays at 10-11am starting 23rd February and running at the same time every Monday until 30th March. Classes are offered on a first come first served basis, advance booking not required. If you have an exercise mat, please bring it along, spares available. For more information please contact Emma Kitching, Certified Pietra Fitness Instructor: Tel: 07734 361175 Email: emma@dancercize.co.uk

Men's classes will also be offered based on demand, please contact Emma to register your interest in a Men's class.

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 gather by the Baptismal Font in 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.

Mass For Healing:

Chapel at the Bar Convent, 17 Blossom Street, York, 24th February at 11.45am with Fr Dominique Minskip, Canon Michael Loughlin and Fr Jo Michael. For assistance or if you are unable to attend but would like your name or the name of someone you know placed on the altar during the mass, please contact Fiona Hill 01904 464900 fiona@stbedes.org.uk

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

Day For Catechists, Children's Liturgy of the Word:

Saturday 11th April, 10am-3pm, Hinsley Hall. The Vicariate for Education ran a very fruitful and well-attended day workshop for Children's Liturgy of the Word catechists in January. For anyone who was unable to make it, there will be a repeat of the day on the 11th April. This will include similar input, times of sharing and prayer. Lunch included. Please register your free place no later than 3rd April by emailing formation@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](mailto: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.

Flame 2027:

The largest Catholic youth event in England and Wales is back! Join thousands of young people for a day of music, prayer, worship, talks from great speakers and much more at the OVO Arena, Wembley on Saturday 6th March 2027. Passes are currently at the super early bird rate of £75 per person, which includes return coach travel to/from the Diocese, until 31st July 2026. Email [youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk) to book yours!

Catholic Care Thank You:

Catholic Care Caritas Leeds would like to say a huge thank you to all those who supported their Christmas Projects this year, whether as a Parish or individually. We have been able to support those most in need with food parcels, Christmas items, toys and practical baby items. Thank you for your generosity. it really is appreciated.

Catholic Family Retreat at Castlerigg Manor:

March 27-29th - £160-230 per family. For the first time since Covid, Castlerigg Manor are bringing back their popular family retreats. There will be streams for different ages and fun activities for everybody including Mass in the evening and time to explore Keswick. For more info >> [castleriggmanor.com](http://castleriggmanor.com) >> events

May Half Term B&B Stays at Castlerigg Manor:

In May half-term, Castlerigg Manor will once again be opening their doors for B&B stays. A great way for families, groups of friends, and individuals to get an affordable stay in Keswick. Mass will be provided on site. More info >> [castleriggmanor.com](http://castleriggmanor.com) >> stay with us