



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



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 22nd March 2026	Fifth Sunday of Lent		
	5.15pm - 5.45pm (Sat Eve)	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Macellino Seraphino Casera [Sp Int])	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (Stephen Holmes [LD])	St Paulinus
Tuesday 24th March	Weekday of Lent		
	6.30pm	Stations of the Cross	St Joseph
	7.00pm	Mass (Philip Cunningham [LD])	St Joseph
	7.30pm	Lent Group	St Joseph
Wednesday 25th March	The Annunciation of the Lord		Solemnity
	10.00am	Mass (Margaret, Gordon, Haisha & Lee Pygott)	St Joseph
Thursday 26th March	Weekday of Lent		
	10.00am	Mass (Mario & Family [Sp Int])	St Paulinus
Friday 27th March	Weekday of Lent		
	9.30am	Stations of the Cross	St Paulinus
	10.00am	Mass (Catherine McGregor (nee Jennings) LD)]	St Paulinus
	10.30am	Lent Group	St Paulinus
Saturday 28th March	Weekday of Lent		
	11.00am - 12.00noon	Confessions for Easter	St Paulinus
	4.45pm - 5.45pm	Confessions for Easter	St Joseph
	During which there will be prayer and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament		
Sunday 29th March 2026	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord		
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (...)	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (...)	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (...)	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

For our Holy Father, Pope Leo, and our Bishop, Marcus, that they may continue to proclaim the merciful love of God +++ For peace in our world, that all will turn from hatred to love and from violence to reconciliation. We continue to pray for peace in the Middle east, in Ukraine and throughout Africa +++ For all who are swift to condemn, that their hearts may be filled with a spirit of understanding and compassion +++ For our parish community that, by keeping Lent well, we will come to the celebration of Easter with hearts and minds renewed +++ For all who are sick or house-bound and for all who have been bereaved, that they may know the gentle touch of God's healing love and be filled with hope in the Resurrection.

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

Joseph Cunningham; Christina Sweeney; Rev Russell Ashworth; Margaret Ewart; Adrian Keechi; Rosaleen Cronin; Rosie & Gordon Fisher; James Staniforth; Marcelo Casera; Evie; Marcelo Casera; Myfanwy Hunter; Peter Claydon; Christina Bellamy;

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); Tracy Wilcock (LD); 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); 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; Gary Mitchell (LD); Bill Waite (A); Mary Hodgson (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

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 every Tuesday 10.30am - 11.30am. Inara Bennett - 07910 127989

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 SVP

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Macellino Seraphino Casera (Sp Int); Frances Roche (B'day A); Philip Cunningham (LD).

Please pray for Bishop Marcus:

It was further announced on Friday that Bishop Marcus is now the Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Hallam, alongside his existing appointments as Bishop of Leeds and Apostolic Administrator of Middlesbrough. Clearly, we need to hold all people and clergy of these three dioceses in our prayers as we enter a period of discernment and consultation.

Future of the Dioceses of Leeds & Middlesbrough:

As part of the consultation currently taking place across our two Dioceses, there is an opportunity to contribute by completing an online questionnaire. Prayerful reflection should be given to the questions so that the Holy Spirit may guide this process of discernment. Prayer resources and a presentation are available on the diocesan website to support this process. Responses should be submitted by Friday, 22nd May 2026. To complete the questionnaire, please visit: <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/leeds-middlesbrough-consultation-2026>

This Weekend - HCPT Easter Egg Raffle:

Tickets will be on sale after Masses in both churches this weekend. We have 8 Easter Egg hampers to be raffled this weekend for HCPT. The winning numbers will be drawn on Sunday afternoon. Thanks for your support.

Holy Week & Easter Duties:

Please do sign up on the lists in each Church for the various duties required to help with the smooth celebration of this most holy week of the Church's year. Readers, Foot Washing etc! Please get involved!

Confessions Before Easter:

I will be hearing Confessions in preparation for Easter on Saturday 28th March. At St Paulinus from 11.00am until 12.00noon (or afterwards, until the queues have finished!) and St Joseph's 4.45pm until 5.45pm.

Prayer Petitions for Lourdes:

HCPT Group 74 will be travelling to Lourdes on Easter Sunday with 6 local children. If anyone would like any prayer petitions placing in the shrine at Easter please

14th / 15th March 2026

Weekly Offerings:

St Joseph's	Env	£152.00
	Plate	£123.86
Our Lady & St Paulinus'	Env	£181.10
	Plate	£158.97

Other Income

New to You Shop	£134.00
Donation to HCPT from Funeral	£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

place them in a sealed envelope- do not put money in them - and pass to Roy, Helen or Fr. Stephen by Good Friday.

Thank You!

Thank you to Transformers North for their hard work in clearing the moss and weeds from St Paulinus' church yard and along Huddersfield Road - the results are wonderful!

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

OL & SP - 200 Club:

Winner 15th March: 106 - Colleen Neville.

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!

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'.

St Paulinus Catholic Academy Passion Play:

St. Paulinus Catholic Academy Year 3 & 4 children will be performing the Passion Play in St. Paulinus Church on Thursday 26th March at 2pm. All are welcome to attend, no tickets necessary - just come along!

Pietra Fitness® Lenten Series:

A Gentle Class for Women will be offered in St Paulinus Parochial Hall on Mondays at 10-11am. If you have an exercise mat, please bring it along, spares available. For more information please contact Emma Kitching, Certified Pietra Fitness Instructor: Email: emma@dancercize.co.uk or Tel: 07734 361175.

St Joseph's Easter Egg Raffle:

Tickets will be on sale after the Vigil and 9.30am Sunday Masses.

Lenten Day of Reconciliation:

At Leeds Cathedral on Tuesday 24th March, 7.00am - 7.00pm. Confessions available all day with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Online Stations of the Cross for Carers:

Tuesday 24th March 7-8pm. Leeds Diocese older people's charity Growing Old Grace-fully is hosting a special online Stations of the Cross, written by Fr Eamonn Hegarty and Michelle Anderson. These Stations invite carers to see their own lives reflected in Christ's journey. To attend, email Michelle at carersproject@growingoldgracefully.org.uk

Walk in Father Brown's Footsteps!

Saturday 28th March. Third Annual Diocesan Lenten Pilgrimage for Priestly Vocations. From St Anne's, Keighley to Sacred Heart, Ilkley and Stations of the Cross at Myddelton Calvary. Follows the Ilkley Moor route walked by GK Chesterton and Fr John O'Connor, the Diocese of Leeds priest who inspired 'Father Brown'. email: pilgrimage-walks@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Online Gospel Meditations:

Throughout the year, the Briery Retreat Team deliver fortnightly guided meditations via Zoom, with time for

reflection and sharing. These are on Thursday from 7.30pm to 8.15pm. The 'doors' open at 7.15 for a chat and introductions. All are welcome. Register for the link by email admin@briery.org.uk

The Crucifixion of Jesus Christ:

A re-enactment of the Crucifixion of Christ by 6th Form Students of St John Fisher Academy will take place on Thursday 2nd April at 12.00noon outside Longcauseway Church. All Welcome.

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. Lunch included. Please register at formation@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

"Go and Make Disciples" Day of Reflection:

Saturday 9th May, 10am-3pm, Hinsley Hall. A day of reflection with the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph on our mission to share the faith. An uplifting day for all! Lunch included. Register your free place by Friday 1st May by emailing formation@dioceseofleeds.org

A Use for Used Candles & Stubs:

A local charity taking humanitarian aid to Ukraine collect used candles, including stubs which are made into 'Trench Candles'. A collection box can be found in both churches. Thank you, in advance, for your support.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2026:

The 2026 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place Friday 3rd to Thursday 9th July 2026. Bookings can be made online on <https://www.tangney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-leeds/> or 01732 886666.

Holy Week & Easter 2026

Palm Sunday - 29th March 2026

All weekend Masses as normal

Tuesday of Holy Week

6.30pm	Stations of the Cross	St Joseph's
7.00pm	Mass	St Joseph's

Wednesday of Holy Week

10.00am	Stations of the Cross	St Joseph's
11.00am	Chrism Mass at Leeds Cathedral	

Holy Thursday (Maundy Thursday) St Paulinus'

7.00pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper with Washing of Feet and Watch at the Altar of Repose until 9.30pm	
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Good Friday - 3rd April 2026

12.00noon	Stations of the Cross	St Joseph's
3.00pm	The Liturgy with Veneration	St Paulinus'

Holy Saturday - 4th April 2026

11.00am	Święconka (Blessing of Baskets)	St Joseph's
8.00pm	The Easter Vigil	St Joseph's

Easter Sunday - 5th April 2026

9.30am	Mass	St Joseph's
11.00am	Mass	St Paulinus'

Come and Celebrate God's Love for You!

Easter Flowers:

Donations towards the cost of Easter Flowers are most gratefully received over the coming weekends. There is a collection box available in each church for this - Thank you!