



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



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 26th April 2026

Fourth Sunday of Easter

5.15pm - 5.45pm Sat Eve	Confessions	St Joseph
6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Frances Roche [B'day A])	St Joseph
9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
11.00am	Mass (Rev J Russell Ashworth [LD])	St Paulinus

Tuesday 28th April

Weekday of Easter

7.00pm	Mass (Carmela Walker [A])	St Joseph
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Wednesday 29th April

St Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church, Patron of Europe

10.00am	Mass (Mario & Family [Sp Int])	St Joseph
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Thursday 30th April

Weekday of Easter

10.00am	Mass (Flanagan Family [RIP] FM)	St Paulinus
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Friday 1st May

St Joseph the Worker

10.00am	Mass (Annie Dunwell [A])	St Paulinus
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Sunday 3rd May 2026

Fifth Sunday of Easter

5.15pm - 5.45pm Sat Eve	Confessions	St Joseph
6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (...)	St Joseph
9.30am	Mass (...)	St Joseph
11.00am	Mass (Nora Mehers [LD])	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

Called together in the Holy Spirit, we are God's people, the sheep of his flock. With great confidence we bring our prayers before him:

For Leo our Pope, Marcus our Bishop and all the pastors of the Church that they may listen to the voice of the Good Shepherd and lead his people in the ways of eternal life.

For the world in which we live – for leaders of nations and peoples, that they may speak truth, act justly and show mercy in their dealings with others. May we all experience peace and a cessation of warfare and violence.

For parents and teachers, that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit and encourage young people to hear and respond to God's call in their lives.

For all those searching for their vocation in life, that the Holy Spirit may give them the courage and generosity to follow where Christ is leading them.

For all who are lonely, sick, frail or housebound, that they will feel the touch of God's healing love.

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

Pat Feather; Rita Gilmartin; Mary Robinson.

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

Norah Mehers (LD); Rev Russell Ashworth (LD); Vicki O'Keefe (A); Ricardo Estradd Sr (LD); Fe Dataham; Ignacio Dataham (Sr); Ignacio Dataham (Jr); Remy Paredes; Sofronio Paredes; Loida Maneunay; Tiburcio Partacalao; Irene Gallacher (LD).

Please write clearly in BLOCK CAPITALS as the lists are often very difficult to decipher and no offence is intended when spelling mistakes occur.

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 Angela 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

Headteacher: 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 HCPT



The Regina Coeli

**Regina coeli, laetare, alleluia.
Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia.
Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia.
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.**

Priest: Gaude et laetare, Virgo Maria, alleluia.
All: Quia surrexit Dominus vere, alleluia.

Priest: Oremus.
*Deus, qui per resurrectionem Filii tui, Domini nostri Iesu Christi, mundum laetificare dignatus es: praesta, quaesumus; ut per eius Genetricem Virginem Mariam, perpetuae capiamus gaudia vitae.
Per eundem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.*

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Carmela Walker (A); Anne Griffin (LD); Annie Dunwell (A).

The Dioceses of Leeds, Middlesbrough & Hallam:

As part of the consultation currently taking place across our three 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>

Are You Considering Becoming a Catholic?:

A number of people have contacted me recently about becoming Catholic, and had missed the last RCIA course. If you are one of them, or are interested in doing so, please email me with your details so that we can arrange to have a face-to-face or possibly online preparation course. Fr Stephen.

This Weekend - Children's Liturgy at St Paulinus:

We are pleased to announce the restart of St Paulinus' Church Children's Liturgy. This will restart on 26th April and will run in school term time. For more information contact Eloise on 07792915158 or email at eloise.simpson@sky.com.

18th / 19th April 2026 Weekly Offerings

St Joseph's	Env £184.00
	Plate £121.15
Our Lady & St Paulinus'	Env £184.90
	Plate £226.77
Other Income	
New to You Shop	£113.00

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

Weekly Giving Envelopes:

The new envelopes have arrived - and this year in order to update all our records, they have not been labelled. If you would like to continue giving to Church each week by this method - or you would like to start - then please complete the small green form with the relevant details, recording your name, address and of course the box number you have taken, and place it into the purple "pillar box" next to the envelopes - If you are able to Gift Aid your donations, please make sure to complete one of the Gift Aid Declaration sheets too. Thank you!

Spring Tombola at St Joseph's:

The Spring Tombola will take place after weekend Masses at St Joseph's. April 18th/19th and 25th/26th. All money raised for the benefit of both churches

Last Weekend - St John Fisher Lourdes Appeal:

Thank you so much for supporting last weekend - we raised a total of £523.41 which is fantastic! There was also a very generous pledge to support one student's fare! The raffle was drawn after the 11am Mass, and the prize collected - Thank you all once again! Ely Fiddler (Lay-Chaplain)

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 19th April: 116 - Louise Lynn.

First Holy Communion:

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

First Holy Communion Preparation at St Joseph's:

Children who are in Year 4 or above, and have made their First Reconciliation, are invited to join the preparation programme here at St Joseph's. The remaining sessions will run on 25th April and 9th May in St Joseph's Church Hall. If you attend St Paulinus School, contact Miss Regan for information.

HCPT Group 74: Fundraising continues:

Tikka & Tunes on Saturday 9th May. £35 per ticket at The Royal King Grill Banqueting Room, Dewsbury - please let Roy or Helen know if you want a ticket.

Next Weekend: We will be selling raffle tickets ahead of HCPT Tikka & Tunes - It's £1 at ticket - first prize a 2 night break for 2 courtesy of Red Letter Days!!

HCPT Fundraising Event - Tikka & Tunes:

On 9th May - If you are interested in making up a table from St Joseph's, please speak with Sarah or Veronica.

Last Night of the Proms:

At Holy Spirit, Heckmondwike on 16th May 2026 - in the Parish Room, Holy Spirit, Heckmondwike. Doors open 6.00pm - Start 6.30pm. Tickets £5.00 including supper - Under 11's free - Bar available. Patriotic & Fancy Dress: Union Jack items (hats, flags, etc.) encouraged! Proceeds to the S.V.P. For any queries, please contact Peter Moreland on 07493 230055

Celebration of Married Life:

There will be a special Celebration Mass for Married Life, Leeds Cathedral, Saturday 16th May, 12noon for couples and their families celebrating 25th (Silver), 40th (Ruby), 50th (Golden), 60th (Diamond) and 70th

(Platinum) wedding anniversaries this year. There will be an opportunity for couples to renew their marriage vows. If you would like to take part in this celebration, please complete the application form, available at the back of church (return details on form).

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.

Marriage Support:

If you are just in a rut or for more serious issues - Retrouvaille could be the solution. tel: 0797 338 0443 or www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Bereavement Accompaniment Training:

Elizabeth Prout Bereavement Care are offering a two-day training course in bereavement accompaniment on Mondays 22nd & 29th June 2026 at The Briery Retreat Centre in Ilkley. The cost is £70 and includes a cooked 2 course lunch and refreshments on both days. For more information, please email epbereavement-care@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or contact The Briery on 01943 607287.

Could You be a Relationship Counsellor?

Marriage Care, a Catholic organisation specialising in relationship support is currently looking for those who are empathetic, understanding and have an enthusiasm for supporting adult relationships, to train for Certificate in Relationship Counselling (CRC) and volunteer. Please note there are costs associated with training (far lower than with alternative training providers) however no one is excluded on their ability to pay. For information please visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email: volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

Access Bus:

Could you make use of the Access Bus to get to Church each week? It is also available throughout the rest of the week for other journeys! Anyone can register to use Access Bus. If you have any of the English National Concessionary Travel Scheme (ENCTS) passes such as Senior, Disabled or Blind then travel on the Access Bus is free. For adults without an ENCTS pass, there is a flat fare of £3 each way. Children pay half the adult fare, £1.50 each way. Before using the Access Bus, passengers must be registered. You can do this by contacting the Access Bus team on 0113 348 1903, Monday to Friday between 08:30 and 16:00 or by downloading / printing an application form. Go to: <https://www.wymetro.com/plan-a-journey/accessible-travel/accessbus/> Once registered you will receive a welcome letter with your passenger number and details of how to book. Bookings must be made a minimum of two working days in advance of travel.

Upcoming Funeral Arrangements:

Rev Russell Ashworth - Reception into Our Lady & St Paulinus Church on Thursday 7th May at 6.00pm.
Requiem Mass on Friday 8th May at 11.00am followed by burial.

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.