



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



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 12th July 2026

Fifteenth 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 (Margaret Boland [A])	St Joseph
11.00am	Mass (Fr Paul Reid [LD])	St Paulinus

Tuesday 14th July

Weekday in Ordinary Time

7.00pm	Mass (Holy Souls)	St Joseph
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Wednesday 15th July

St Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church (Yr 6 Leavers' Mass)

****NB Time Change****

9.45am	Mass (Margaret & Ronnie Moreland [RIP])	St Joseph
11.30am	Requiem Mass for Patrick David Diskin	St Paulinus

Thursday 16th July

Weekday in Ordinary Time

10.00am	Mass (Anita Schön [LD])	St Paulinus
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Friday 17th July

Weekday in Ordinary Time (Yr 6 Leavers' Mass)

10.00am	Mass (Ronan John Harrington [A])	St Paulinus
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Sunday 19th July 2026

Sixteenth 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 (Patrick & Eileen Lyons [RIP])	St Joseph
11.00am	Mass (Christine Wilson / Michael Wilson [RIP])	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

For the Church: that, in witnessing to Christ, she may be a sign of joy and hope for all people.

For world peace: especially in the Middle East, Ukraine and Sudan, that people of all faiths and none may live in harmony and with mutual respect.

For all who suffer as a result of war, disease, or natural disasters: that they may find hope, peace and the promise of new life.

For the work of the Apostleship of the Sea and for all who earn their living on the seas, especially those who spend long periods away from their families in order to make our lives more comfortable.

For all who will go to bed hungry tonight, that their cries may be heard and answered by those who enjoy abundance.

For all who are sick or housebound, lonely or bereaved: that they will be comforted by the knowledge of Christ's love.

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

Pat Feather; Rita Gilmartin; Mary Robinson; Tricia Galipo; Adrian Keechey; Eve; Rosaleen Brady; Julie Peacock; Cath Kay; Leslie Sykes; Christine Kilbride.

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); Irene Gallacher (LD); Michael McPherson (A); Freda O'Brien (A); Anita Schön (LD); Judith Fisher (LD); Carmela Walker (A); Peter Lynn (LD); Veronica Canavan (A); Rosie Fisher (LD); Judith Fisher (LD); Glenda Orme (LD); David Kilbride (LD); Denis Kilbride (LD); Jack Tozzi-Booth (LD); Patrick David Diskin (LD); Martin Coyle (LD); Fr Paul Reid (LD); Canon John Galvin (LD); Sally Mitchell (LD).

REGULAR EVENTS & CONTACTS

APF Red Mission Boxes

Contact: Elaine Ellis - 07933 272277

Catechists (Sacramental Preparation)

OLSP - Helen Regan - hregan@stpaulinus.org

St J - Sarah Riley - sarah.riley42@outlook.com

Childrens Liturgy (OLSP)

Contact - Eloise Simpson 07792915158 or email at eloise.simpson@sky.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 - 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 (still looking for a helper!)

Rotas (Eucharistic Ministry)

OLSP - Jim Regan - 01924 469700

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

Faith & Light

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Margaret Boland (A); Bernard Prendergast (A); Ronan John Harrington (A); Margery O'Brien.

Sea Sunday:

Today, Sunday 12th July is Sea Sunday. The theme is "Harbours of Hope: The Church Alongside Seafarers." Please pray to support the work of 'Stella Maris' (formerly, the Apostleship of the Sea), the official maritime charity of the Catholic Church as they support seafarers and fishers in the UK and around the world. There will be a second collection today in aid of Stella Maris. More information at <https://stellamaris.org.uk/>

OL & SP - 200 Club:

200 Club - 4th July - No. 88 - Margaret Teale.

St Paulinus Summer Fair: This Weekend!

After Mass at the Parochial Hall on Sunday July 12th. Raffle tickets are still on sale. Volunteers to run Stalls and Games - help needed from 10 o'clock on the Sunday morning.

Upcoming Funeral Arrangements:

Patrick David Diskin: Requiem Mass at St Paulinus on Wednesday 15th July at 11.30am followed by burial in Dewsbury Cemetery.

Sarah (Sally) Mitchell: Requiem Mass at St Paulinus on Thursday 6th August at 11.00am followed by burial in Dewsbury Cemetery,

Help Urgently Needed:

One person has kindly offered to help with Sunday Sacristy duties...might thee be someone else who might help with midweek duties at St Paulinus? Please have a word with Fr Stephen or Deacon Gerry.

Afghan Welcome Project:

Dioceses across the North-West are partnering with Catholic Care (Leeds) to help Afghan families resettle in the UK with support from local communities. We are seeking volunteers, community groups, landlords and property owners to get involved. Join us at: www.caritassalford.org.uk/event/afghan-welcome-webinar or email: resettlement@caritassalford.org.uk

4th / 5th July 2026 Weekly Offerings		
St Joseph's	Env	£204.00
	Plate	£101.24
Average Weekly Standing Orders		
Our Lady & St Paulinus'	Env	£156.20
	Plate	£154.16
Average Weekly Standing Orders		
Other Income		
Verona Fathers:		£330.45
New to You Shop		£178.95
OLSP 200 Club		£163.30
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		

Leeds International Organ Festival:

Join us at Leeds Cathedral for the Leeds International Organ Festival, final recital on Monday 13th July at 1.15pm – free entry. <https://www.leedsiof.org/home>

Carers Project Online Event:

Wednesday 15th July 2pm. As part of our Carers Project we are hosting an online session and event - "You are precious in my eyes", The session will explore how carers may feel ignored or invisible but how they can feel reassured that God sees them and they are precious to him. The session will include practical information, time to share experiences and time for prayer and reflection. To book a place please email Michelle at carersproject@growinggoldgracefully.org.uk

Leeds Cathedral Guided Tours:

A Free Guided Tour will take place on the following Saturdays during the spring and summer months: starting at 1.30pm on 18 July and 8 August. The tour lasts about 1 hour. No booking is required. Please gather by the Baptismal Font upon arrival.

Fountains Abbey Mass:

The Fountains Abbey Chaplaincy warmly invites everyone to attend the Mass for the Feast of Saint Benedict at Fountains Abbey on Tuesday, 14th July 2026 at 12:00 noon. The Mass will be celebrated by Rev Fr Stephen Webb, Parish Priest of Our Lady & St Paulinus, Dewsbury and St Joseph's, Batley Carr. Entry is via the Visitor Centre, where ample parking is available, and a shuttle bus will operate for those who may find the walk difficult. Disabled access and parking are available via the West Gate, with special arrangements possible for wheelchair users. Admission to the Abbey is free for National Trust members, and the National Trust has kindly agreed to waive normal admission charges for all those attending the Mass.

Catholic Care Garden Party:

Join us on Sunday 19th July 12.30pm at Catholic Care Head Office for our summer fundraiser! Enjoy live music from Voices of Yorkshire, a BBQ, games, raffles, cakes and more. Browse the clothes and book sale, try henna and relax with friends and family. Free entry and all proceeds support Catholic Care's vital work in the local community.

Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for The Sanctity of Life:

Saturday, 1st August 2026, Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. Pilgrim Mass 12:00noon. A full day's programme is planned. For further details, visit prolifepilgrimage.org.

One & Three Peaks Challenge:

St Patrick's Mission will be hiking the Yorkshire Three Peaks to support the ongoing ministry in Bradford city centre. To help and get involved: <https://www.stpatricksmision.co.uk/event/one-and-three-peak-challenge> or to donate, <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/spm-peaks26>

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

Lourdes 2026:

Prayers and Masses were offered for your intentions during our recent Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. It was a wonderful experience together as a diocese with our bishop - please consider joining us next year, if you are able! (2nd - 8th July 2027 - details to follow)

What are Mass Intentions and Offerings all about?

It doesn't cost anything...but if you're able to give, an offering is appreciated. There is no price tag on the Mass, however, it is customary to give an offering when requesting a Mass for an intention, this becomes the priest's daily living allowance. That said, money should never be the reason for deciding against this beautiful tradition. Simply make your request known and talk with the priest who will make sure that a Mass is able to be said if your financial situation does not allow for a donation. It doesn't have to be a large sum. The usual Mass Offering according to the Diocese of Leeds is £10 (and has been for many years!)

Mass can be offered for a person who is still living:

Though we often think of having a Mass said for those who have died, Masses can be offered for those who are still alive. The Council of Trent says that Mass may be said "for the living and the dead, for sins, punishments, satisfactions, and other necessities." In other words, if you know someone who could benefit from the spiritual graces that come with having a Mass said on their behalf, there is no need to delay in doing so!

You can have a Mass said in Thanksgiving or for a celebration:

Again, most people remember to have a Mass said for the death of a loved one and a few may think to have a Mass offered for a special intention or friend who is suffering, but rarely do we think of having a Mass offered for a celebration! Is there a better way to show our gratitude to God? Masses can be said for birthdays, anniversaries, in celebration of the reception of the sacraments, or for prayers that have been answered! It's not a difficult process to request a Mass.

Though the practice of offering a Mass is ancient, the method for doing so is not! You can submit your Mass request using the special white envelopes on the table as you enter church.

Because the Mass is the highest form of worship on Earth, there are many fruits and graces that result from having a Mass said. The reason that this tradition has been passed on for centuries is because of the many spiritual fruits that result from this form of prayer. The celebration of the Eucharist is the highest form of worship in the Catholic Church because we unite ourselves with Christ's sacrifice on the cross in worship of his Father.

St. John Paul II emphasized the graces that come when a Mass is offered. "The Church believes that she will be heard, for she prays in union with Christ her Head and Spouse, who takes up this plea of His Bride and joins it to His own redemptive sacrifice."

Don't miss out on these graces for yourself and those you love! Find a reason to have a Mass offered today! If you do , please remember to add the reason for the Mass on the envelope too, LD; A; RIP; Sp Int; Sick; Healing, Thanksgiving etc!