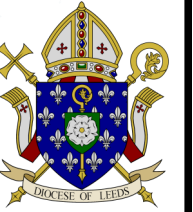




Welcome to the Parishes of Our Lady & St Paulinus, Dewsbury and St Joseph, Batley Carr



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 16th August 2026	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary		
	5.15pm - 5.45pm Sat Eve	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Michelle MacRae [A])	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (Josie Meehan & Daughters [RIP])	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (Joe Ciantar [A])	St Paulinus
Tuesday 18th August	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	7.00pm	Eucharistic Service	St Joseph
Wednesday 19th August	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	10.00am	Eucharistic Service	St Joseph
Thursday 20th August	St Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church		
	10.00am	Funeral Service for Christopher Duffy	St Paulinus
Friday 21st August	St Pius X, Pope		
	10.00am	Eucharistic Service	St Paulinus
Sunday 23rd August 2026	Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	5.15pm - 5.45pm Sat Eve	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (John & Cath [Sp Int])	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (Ellen Flannagan [A])	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

For the Church, that she, like the Virgin Mary, may bring Christ into the world with joy, and be joined with him in eternal life.

For government leaders, that the Assumption of Mary may awaken them to the supreme dignity of each human life.

For all mothers, that they may find in Mary the example and strength to carry out their vocation.

For the lowly, the hungry and the dispossessed, that the Almighty will do great things in their lives and in the lives of all who are deprived of human dignity.

For our own parish community, that, inspired by Mary's witness of faith and her holiness of life, we may always be positive signs of hope.

For all who are sick or suffering in any way, that they may find strength, consolation and healing by turning to Mary, who intercedes for us from her place in heaven.

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

Rita Gilmartin; Tricia Agagon Galido; Michael (Tony) Murphy; Oliver Teale.

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

Joseph Kabo Natividad (LD); Margery O'Brien (A); Nancy Wood (A); Fred Wood (A); Rosaleen Brady (LD); Kat Madina (LD); Daphne Boniface (LD); Sarah (Sally) Mitchell (LD); Christopher Duffy.

Please write clearly in BLOCK CAPITALS as the lists can sometimes be 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

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

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

They will be advertised in the next bulletin.

This Weekend:

We welcome Canon Lawrie Hulme to preside at the Weekend Masses.

Leeds Cathedral – August Timetable Information:

Leeds Cathedral will be closed on weekdays throughout August to enable essential works on the lighting system. Mass will be held in Cathedral Hall, times will vary to the usual schedule. Please see the Cathedral website for more information.

The Oratory of St Joseph:

Catholic Men's Group (ages 21-35). Helping young men to grow in faith, fellowship and formation in order to become the saint that God is calling them to be. Meeting on the last Thursday of the month, Hinsley Hall, 6.30pm. For more information email oratory.stjoseph@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Catenians:

Meetings at Meltham Golf Club on the third Tuesday monthly with an after-meeting meal which always includes wives/partners. Many social events such as barbecue, garden party, theatre trips, concerts. See website for more details https://thecatenians.uk/ or call Membership Officer Dennis Donnelly on 01484 606042.

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

Online Gospel Meditations:

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

8th / 9th August 2026

Weekly Offerings

St Joseph's

Env TBA

Plate TBA

Average Weekly Standing Orders £222.86

Our Lady & St Paulinus'

Env £TBA

Plate £TBA

Average Weekly Standing Orders £167.43

Other Income

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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

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

Make Your Voice Heard:

The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill is back in the House of Commons, seeking to legalise assisted suicide. MPs vote on Friday, 11 September 2026, so please consider contacting your MP by using this link: https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/

Leeds Walsingham Way:

This is a new joint Diocesan Camino for the Year of St Francis of Assisi! Full information and links for Leeds, Hallam and Middlesbrough Day Pilgrims to sign up for any of the days walking through Leeds or Hallam Dioceses here: https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/day-pilgrims-invited-to-join-new-diocesan-walking-pilgrimage/ All welcome to join the start, 8am Pilgrims' Mass, Saturday 12 September at Leeds Cathedral, followed by walk to Wakefield. Sunday 8am Mass at St Austin's, Wakefield, followed by walk into Hallam Diocese.

Religious Freedom United Nations Petition:



Aid to the Church in Need has launched its first-ever global petition on religious freedom, calling on governments and the United Nations to do more to defend the right to believe, and to ensure that those responsible for persecution are held to account. Stand in solidarity with the persecuted Church and give witness to the importance of religious freedom for all. To add your voice please scan the attached QR code.

March For Life, London:

Saturday 5th September. A coach will leave Harrogate at 5am and pick up at St Winefride's Bradford (BD61ST), where there is plentiful parking, at 6am. Mass will be celebrated at 5.30am at St Winefride's for anybody who is available! We will also pick people up in Sheffield en route. The coach will leave Parliament Square (SW1P 3JX) at 6pm and return via Sheffield, Bradford and Harrogate. Return fare: £40. To book: office.mary.motherofgod@dioceseofleeds.org.uk/ 01274 677992.

Making Wiser Choices:

Wednesday 16th September 10am-4pm. A day of reflection led by popular writer Margaret Silf. Requested offering £50pp to include lunch and all refreshments. For further information and to book, please contact 01943 607287 or admin@briery.org.uk

Join The Catholic Medical Association:

Whether you are a doctor, nurse, student, or allied professional — if you are a Catholic in healthcare, join us to grow in fellowship, prayer and formation together. For more information & upcoming events, visit: https://catholicmedicalassociation.org.uk

Bishop Marcus and The Diocesan Trustees:

Are still seeking volunteers as independent members to join a newly established Audit and Risk Committee. The commitment is four meetings a year. This would be a two-to-three year commitment as discussions and consultations about bringing together the Dioceses of Leeds, Middlesbrough and Hallam progress; and would be of great value in a process of unification. We are

seeking those who have skills or experience in the areas of Audit, Risk, Finance and Governance. For information please contact Carla Stockton-Jones, Trustee: carla.stockton-jones@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Friends of the Holy Land:

Is seeking Volunteer Ambassadors in our parishes, schools and colleges to raise the charity's profile and help garner active interest in their urgent work supporting vulnerable Christians across the Holy Land region. For anyone wishing to find out more about the work of Friends of the Holy Land, and the urgency of the mission to assist and sustain our vulnerable fellow Christians in Gaza, West Bank, Israel and Jordan at this time, Edmund Adamus from FHL hosts a monthly information webinar every fourth Monday of the month at 19.30 for 45 minutes – the next will be on 24th August. Scan the QR Code for more details.

Safeguarding:

Every so often, we need to make sure that all Parishioners have access to the most up-to-date documents regarding Safeguarding in the Catholic Church in England & Wales, and specifically in the Diocese of Leeds.

Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency:

For Information regarding the national Church then please visit: https://catholicsafeguarding.org.uk/

The Diocese of Leeds Safeguarding Policy & Procedures for Children and Adults at Risk:

Every Human being has a value and dignity which we as Catholics recognise as coming from God's creation in his own image and likeness. Our Parishes and communities must be a place of welcome, where each person is respected and loved, and in which everyone receives and shares their unique gifts. Parishes must be communities where we support and protect each other. We must take care of the most vulnerable because of age, illness or disability or who may be vulnerable because of current or past life experiences. Everyone in the Church has a responsibility to safeguard and promote the wellbeing of those that worship in our Church or who join us for an activity facilitated by Church members. When Church activities are organised well, with regard for the safety and well-being of all we reduce the risk of avoidable harm to all participants and create spaces of true welcome in which respectful and enriching relationships can develop. It is the Policy of the Catholic Church of England and Wales to safeguard the welfare of all Children and Adults at Risk by protecting them from neglect and from physical, sexual, emotional and psychological harm. The full documents are available for you to access at: https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/safeguarding/

Our parish Safeguarding Representatives are:

Catherine Baxendale
Andrea Jackson
Helen Regan
Elizabeth Stanley