



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



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 9th August 2026	Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	5.15pm - 5.45pm Sat Eve	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Karen Teale [A])	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (Francesca & John [Sp Int])	St Paulinus
Tuesday 11th August	St Clare, Virgin		
	7.00pm	Eucharistic Service	St Joseph
Wednesday 12th August	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	10.00am	Eucharistic Service	St Joseph
Thursday 13th August	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	10.00am	Eucharistic Service	St Paulinus
Friday 14th August	St Maximilian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr		
	10.00am	Eucharistic Service	St Paulinus
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

Let us Pray...

Let us gather together today, called by the Father to trust in him without fear, and to put before him our needs. We pray for the Church, for Pope Leo, for our bishop Marcus, and for all priests, deacons and religious, that they will serve the Lord, trusting in his love.

We remember those who feel overwhelmed by life's troubles and by doubts; that like Peter in today's Gospel will be comforted by Jesus' presence and his call not to be afraid.

We join with Pope Leo's prayer intention for this month; that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel and build communities.

We think of those living in places that are parched and dry from lack of rain; we pray that rain will come and we will learn to cherish our precious natural resources.

We remember the victims of war in the Middle East, Ukraine, Sudan and Yemen.

We pray for those in our parish community who are sick, at home or in hospital and for those who have recently died, or whose anniversaries are at this time.

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).

Please write clearly in BLOCK CAPITALS as the lists can sometimes be very difficult to decipher!

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

SVP

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Maureen Lyons (A); Michelle MacRae (A).

This Weekend:

We welcome Fr James Preston to preside at the weekend Masses. Fr James is the Spiritual Director of the Royal English College in Valladolid. This is one of our most historically significant Seminaries for the Church in England and Wales, and I have included some information about it later in the bulletin.

St Joseph's '50' Club:

July Winner: No 80 - Pat Feather.

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:

Another opportunity for any men and their family interested in finding more about the Catenians by joining them at their annual Garden Party on Sunday 16th August from 12.30 pm. For details 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

1st / 2nd August 2026

Weekly Offerings

St Joseph's

Env £104.00

Plate £101.50

Average Weekly Standing Orders £222.86

Our Lady & St Paulinus'

Env £135.00

Plate £144.80

Average Weekly Standing Orders £167.43

Other Income

New to You Shop

£120.96

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

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 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

S.V.P. Annual District Barbecue:

This will be at St. Joseph's Somerset Road Aspley Huddersfield after the 11 o'clock Mass on Sunday 30th August. Still priced at £5 including food. Tickets available from any SVP member. If you are unable to attend but wish to support, donations will be welcome either in cash or with bottles for the bottle stall.

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.

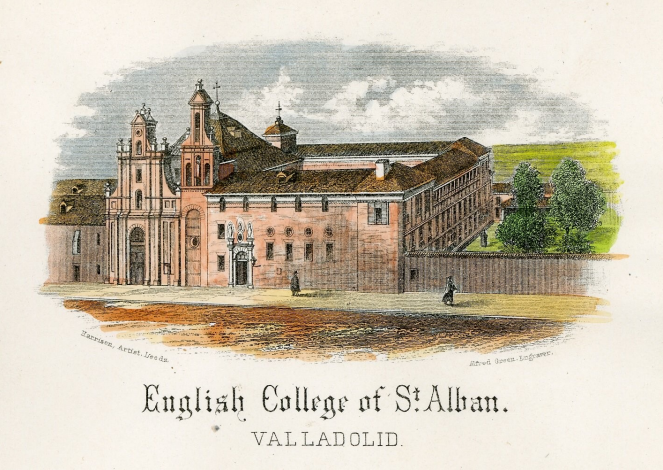
Making Wiser Choices:

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

The Royal English College, Valladolid:

A Story of Faith and Perseverance - The Royal English College of St Alban in Valladolid was born out of one of the darkest periods in English Catholic history. During the persecution under Queen Elizabeth I, the training of priests in England became impossible. William Cardinal Allen founded the English College at Douai in 1568, and from there a small group of students travelled to Spain in 1588 to establish a new seminary. Despite initial suspicion and imprisonment by local

authorities, the project was rescued by the Jesuit, Father Robert Persons, who secured the support of King Philip II. In 1589 the Royal and Pontifical English College of St Alban was formally founded. Its purpose was clear: to prepare priests who would return to England knowing they faced imprisonment, torture and even execution for their faith.



English College of St Alban.
VALLADOLID

Many did exactly that. The first martyr from Valladolid was Father Henry Walpole, executed in York in 1595. Others followed, and by the seventeenth century the college walls displayed portraits of former students who had given their lives for the Gospel. Their courage inspired generations of seminarians.

The college flourished, attracting students from other English seminaries in Europe and helping establish further English colleges in Seville and Madrid. Although tensions, political upheaval and financial hardship tested its survival, Valladolid endured. After the expulsion of the Jesuits from Spain in 1767, Bishop Richard Challoner successfully argued that Valladolid should become Spain's single English college. From then on it was governed by an English secular priest, a tradition that continues today.

As Catholic life gradually revived in England, some questioned whether such a distant seminary was still necessary. The nineteenth century brought near bankruptcy, the Napoleonic invasion of Spain and anti-clerical unrest. Yet determined rectors, former students and supportive bishops refused to let the college die. By the 1840s it was thriving once more, with Cardinal Wiseman and Cardinal Vaughan among its strongest supporters.

The twentieth century saw extensive modernisation and remarkable resilience. Under Monsignor Edwin Henson, the college survived both the Spanish Civil War and the Second World War, remaining a beacon of stability despite isolation and uncertainty. Following the wars, priestly formation resumed with renewed vigour.

Today, after more than four centuries, the Royal English College continues its original mission: forming priests for service to the Church. Its remarkable history stands as a testimony to courage, sacrifice and steadfast faith, reminding every generation that the Gospel has often been sustained by those willing to risk everything for Christ.

