



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



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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 11th October 2026	St Paulinus of York, Bishop (transferred)		
	5.15pm - 5.45pm Sat Eve	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Anne Goodall [LD])	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (Michael McManus [A])	St Paulinus
Tuesday 13th October	St Edward the Confessor		
	7.00pm	Mass (Anne Goodall [LD])	St Joseph
Wednesday 14th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	10.00am	Requiem Mass for Anne Goodall	St Joseph
Thursday 15th October	St Theresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church		
	10.00am	Requiem Mass for Winnie Dunford	St Paulinus
Friday 16th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
	10.00am	Mass (Geoffrey Greensmith [LD])	St Paulinus
Sunday 18th October 2026	Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	5.15pm - 5.45pm Sat Eve	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Christina Coyle [1st A])	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (...)	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (...)	St Paulinus

Let us Pray...

For our Holy Father, Pope Leo, and for all the bishops, priests and deacons of the Church, that, inspired by the example of St Paulinus, they may proclaim the Gospel with courage, wisdom and love, and lead God's people ever closer to Christ.

For our town of Dewsbury, which St Paulinus visited nearly fourteen centuries ago, and for all who work in our public services and local communities, that they may be strengthened in their service of others and find fulfilment in working with honesty, compassion and integrity.

For all who are caught up in the suffering of war, conflict or natural disasters, especially those who have lost their homes, their loved ones or their livelihoods, that they may find hope, comfort and practical help through the generosity and compassion of others.

For all who are sick, lonely, anxious or burdened by suffering, and for those who care for them, that the Holy Spirit may bring them strength and consolation, and that they may experience the healing presence of Christ through the love of others.

For ourselves, that, following the example of St Paulinus, we may have the courage to recognise and leave behind whatever draws us away from Jesus, growing each day in faith, hope and love.

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

Rita Gilmartin; Tricia Agagon Galido; Oliver Teale; Evie; Debbie Brown; Patrick Coyle; Simon; Andrew Dunbar & Family; Maureen Finneran; Terence Swift; Tricia Galido; Kathleen Peterson; Catherine Greenwood; The Skipping Family; Ninia S Medrano; Mary Robinson.

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); Sally Mitchell (LD); Christopher Duffy; Maureen Lyons (A); Tony Murphy (LD); Luciano Miranda (LD); Shirley Ross-Westwood (LD); James Tomlinson (LD); Augustine Diala (A); John McPherson (LD); Geoffrey Greensmith (LD); Gordon Fisher (LD); Ann Lomas (LD); Anne Goodall (LD); Winnie Dunford (LD); Jacque Lacassagne (LD); Baby Flora Bonner (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 The Friends of St Paulinus School

Mass Intentions Received Recently:

Jim Norris (2nd A); Jack Moss (B'day A); William 'Billy' Buckley (A).

November - Month of the Holy Souls:

November will soon be upon us, and it is a time when we particularly remember all those whom we have loved but see no longer, all our deceased relations, friends and past benefactors of the Parishes.

All Souls Day is celebrated this year on Monday 2nd November, and we shall be offering Mass for all the Holy Souls at 12.00noon in St Paulinus Church, and 7.00pm in St Joseph's Church. At the All Souls Masses we shall remember all our loved ones who have died. Please do come along.

In preparation for the Mass, and for the month of the Holy Souls, I have now made available the Holy Souls envelopes at the back of each Church. These are for you to take, and complete with a list of your departed loved ones to remember and add to the "List of the Dead", for whom we shall offer Masses throughout November and the rest of the year, both in the parish and outside the parish. Once you have completed your list, please place it with your offering into the envelope and return it to the Presbytery or else put it into the offertory plate as it comes around at Mass - then again, you could also just hand it directly to me! Please remember that these envelopes are for the "List of the Dead / Holy Souls", and not for individual Masses to be offered as is the custom in November each year. Many thanks, Fr Stephen

Adult Catechesis:

We will meet after Mass this Tuesday evening at around 7.45pm. It will be online only - so I will send out links on Tuesday for you to join.

October Tombola:

Come and try your luck after Vigil and 9.30am Masses in the hall at St Joseph's this weekend. Lots of great prizes!

3rd / 4th October 2026 Weekly Offerings		
St Joseph's	Env	£191.00
	Plate	£110.36
Average Weekly Standing Orders £222.86		
Our Lady & St Paulinus'	Env	£151.00
	Plate	£234.200
Average Weekly Standing Orders £166.22		
Other Income		
'New to You' Shop		£103.61
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		

OLSP - Statue of the Sacred Heart:

Thank you to those who have asked about making a donation towards the cost of restoring our wonderful statue of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. There is now a button on the Dona Machine at the back of Church if you would like to donate that way, and of course I'm always happy to receive a more analogue donation in an envelope!! Thank you for your support. Fr Stephen

Crib Figures - in Both Churches:

Thank you to everyone who have sponsored a crib figure in either church. There is a button on the Dona Machine ready to accept your payment of £320 per figure, and if you are able to Gift Aid your donation this will greatly help the parishes too. Please do let me know when you have made your payment, so that I can keep my list up to date. Thank you all once more for your generosity. Fr Stephen.

OLSP 200 Club Winners:

Winner: Sunday 4th Oct. no. 150 - Tony Prosser

OLSP Christmas Fair:

Saturday 5th December - Thrift tickets £1.00 per book to be used at the Fair on sale from this weekend after the 11.00am Mass.

Painting & Decorating in St Paulinus Presbytery:

If you are willing and able to help in this venture, please sign up on the list in either church, and someone will be in touch with you to make arrangements. Whilst experience and skills are highly valued - a willingness to help out is always treasured!! Thank you for considering this - and there will be different working times to suit different people!

Catholic Primary Academy Admission Round for Academic Year 2027-28 Open Day Events:

St Joseph's on Monday 12th October 2026

St Paulinus' also have 15 hour nursery places (3 hours each morning) for any child aged 3 and over.

All applications for Catholic school places are to be made on the Kirklees Online Admissions Portal. You must also complete a Supplementary Information Form (SIF) which you can also download from the Kirklees Admissions Portal or collect from our main school office. The deadline for both online applications and to hand in your SIF at school (with a copy of your child's birth certificate) is 15th JANUARY 2027.

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:

If you or someone you know could use support or would simply welcome a caring visit... Call 07386 853 558

World Mission Sunday:

18th October marks 100 years of this worldwide focus on the mission of the Church. This is more commonly known as the 'red box' appeal and not a few of us have one such box in our home. There will be a retiring collection, at the Holy Father's request, to support the work of Missio on 18th October. If you can Gift Aid your donation, please do. Envelopes for this purpose are at the back of church. You can also visit www.missio.org.uk to set up a direct debit etc.

Cocaine Anonymous Open Event:

Cocaine Anonymous is holding a Unity Halloween event at the Parochial Hall 23rd Oct 3pm-6pm. C A is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other so that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from their addiction. If you are or know anyone who is sick and tired of being skint and wired, come along. The CA is a non drug specific fellowship. Some of our members have never touch cocaine. Anyone with a drink or drug problem and their friends and family are welcome. Co-Anon Family Groups, our sister Fellowship, have a public information stall. We want to share our experience, strength and hope. This is a fun afternoon of Unity with games, activities and prizes for the best fancy dress (not mandatory). No entry fees. Drinks and refreshments included. More info at www.cocaineanonymous.org.uk or call Iain 0730 942 4085.

The Lourdes Roadshow & Quiz Night:

Want to know more about the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes? Then come along to Lourdes Quiz/information sharing night plus Pie & Peas supper from 7pm at St Paul's Parish Hall , Cleckheaton on Saturday 31st October. More info & tickets available from Phil Marshall (07766 148375).

Leeds Cathedral Guided Tours:

Autumn Programme - A Free Guided Tour will take place on the following Saturdays during the autumn: 31 October (starting at 2.00pm) and on 21 November and 12 December when the tours start at 1.30pm. The tour lasts about 1 hour. No booking is required. On arrival please gather by the Baptismal Font.

Instagram Hangout:

Join us at Leeds Cathedral for an exclusive tour created especially for Instagrammers! Learn more about the fascinating history, architecture and design of our Arts and Crafts-style Cathedral, access areas not usually open to the public, and capture its beauty through photography. Saturday 31st October 2pm-4pm. All are welcome! Tickets are free, but registration is essential: <https://bit.ly/4i9aEmV>

Franciscan Friars of the Renewal:

Discipleship Days 2026-2027 - Please join the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal (CFR's) for our Discipleship Days at St Patrick's Mission Church, Bradford. The theme is "May the Lord Give You Peace". November 7, December 5, January 9, February 6, March 6, April 3, May 1. The day includes Rosary, Mass, a talk, Confessions, and a Holy Hour with Adoration, 11.45am - 4:30pm. Lunch provided.

Catholic Care Update:

We're delighted to share that Catholic Care has a new home at Hinsley Hall, 62 Headingley Lane, Leeds, LS6 2BX. While our address has changed, our commitment to supporting people across the Diocese remains as strong as ever. You can now reach us on 0113 831 5712.

Email Your MP:

Following on from the defeat of 'The Assisted Dying' Bill, there is an urgent need to push for better and more accessible palliative care services across our region. The following link takes you to a suggested draft letter to your MP, which is based on how your MP voted on the 11th September. <https://righttolife.org.uk/voteresult>