Sunday 1 November 2026
All Saints - Solemnity

Entrance Antiphon
Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

Collect
Almighty ever-living God,
by whose gift we venerate in one celebration
the merits of all the Saints,
bestow on us, we pray,
through the prayers of so many intercessors,
an abundance of the reconciliation with you
for which we earnestly long.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

First reading **Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14**
I, John, saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, saying, 'Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.' And I heard the number of the sealed, one hundred and forty-four thousand, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel.

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, 'Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels were standing round the throne and round the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, saying, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?' I said to him, 'Sir, you know.' And he said to me, 'These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.'

Responsorial Psalm **Ps 24(23):1-2. 3-4b. 5-6.**

R/: Such are the people who seek your face, O Lord.

The LORD'S is the earth and its fullness,
the world, and those who dwell in it.
It is he who set it on the seas;
on the rivers he made it firm. ***R/:***

Who shall climb the mountain of the LORD?
Who shall stand in his holy place?
The clean of hands and pure of heart,
whose soul is not set on vain things. ***R/:***

Blessings from the LORD shall he receive,
and right reward from the God who saves him.
Such are the people who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob. ***R/:***

Second reading **1 John 3:1-3**
Beloved: See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Gospel Acclamation **Matthew 11:28**
Alleluia, alleluia.
Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, says the Lord, and I will give you rest.
Alleluia.

Gospel **Matthew 5:1-12a**
At that time: Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.'

Prayer over the Offerings
May these offerings we bring in honour of all the Saints be pleasing to you, O Lord,
and grant that, just as we believe the Saints
to be already assured of immortality,
so we may experience their concern for our salvation.
Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon **Mt 5: 8-10**
Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Prayer after Communion
As we adore you, O God, who alone are holy
and wonderful in all your Saints,
we implore your grace,
so that, coming to perfect holiness in the fullness of your love, we may pass from this pilgrim table
to the banquet of our heavenly homeland.
Through Christ our Lord.

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SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 1st November 2026	**All Saints**		
	5.15pm - 5.45pm Sat Eve	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (Holy Souls)	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (Parishes & People)	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (In Thanksgiving [F&J])	St Paulinus
Monday 2nd November	**All Souls**		
	12.00noon	Mass (Holy Souls)	St Paulinus
	7.00pm	Mass (Holy Souls)	St Joseph
Tuesday 3rd November	**St Martin de Porres. Religious**		
	7.00pm	Mass (Holy Souls)	St Joseph
Wednesday 4th November	**Weekday in Ordinary Time**		
	10.00am	Mass (Pat Walsh [Sp Int] / Holy Souls)	St Joseph
Thursday 5th November	**Weekday in Ordinary Time**		
	10.00am	Mass (Holy Souls)	St Paulinus
Friday 6th November	**Weekday in Ordinary Time**		
	10.00am	Mass (Holy Souls)	St Paulinus
Sunday 8th November 2026	**Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**		
	5.15pm - 5.45pm Sat Eve	Confessions	St Joseph
	6.00pm (Sat Evening)	Mass (...)	St Joseph
	9.30am	Mass (...)	St Joseph
	11.00am	Mass (...)	St Paulinus

Let us Pray…

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; Fr Patrick Mungovin.

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); Jacquie Lacassagne (LD); Baby Flora Bonner (LD); John McGrath (A); Sheila McGrath (A); Agnes Jennings (A); Bozena (Mary) Socha (LD); Margaret Smith (A); Harold Smith (A); Margaret McDermott (A).

New Lists are available in Church from this weekend – please complete them, remembering to write as clearly as possible – and on the list of the Dead, please mark whether it is a recent death (LD), or an anniversary (A).

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:
Patrick Flanagan (A).

OLSP - Statue of the Sacred Heart:
Donations are still welcome to help in the restoration of our beautiful statue of the Sacred Heart – I took him over to Liverpool earlier in the week, and once their work on our cribs is complete, they will begin work on the Sacred Heart.
Total Donated to Date: £520.00

Crib Figures - in Both Churches:
There are just a few figures in both churches which are awaiting payment – please let me know once you have done this via the Dona machine – or of course, in the old analogue fashion, of cash in an envelope!! Thank you for embracing this challenge so readily as a parish!
St J's Angel Gabriel donated to date: £348.10 PAID!

OLSP 200 Club Winner:
Winner: Sunday 25th Oct. no. 64 - Julie Halford

OLSP Christmas Fair:
Saturday 5th December - Thrift tickets £1.00 per book on sale after the 11.00am Mass. Please bring donations for the stalls and place in the box at the back of Church - bottles, gifts, toiletries, tombola prizes, chocolates, plants, Cakes on the day. List for Raffle Prizes is on the notice board - please fill in your name to donate prizes

Consultation Report 2026 on the Potential Unification of the Dioceses of Leeds, Middlesbrough and Hallam:
As promised by Bishop Marcus in a recent Pastoral Letter, this document is now available for us to download and read on the diocesan website: www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk

24th / 25th October 2026
Weekly Offerings

St Joseph's	Env	£211.00
	Plate	£91.25
Average Weekly Standing Orders		£222.86
Our Lady & St Paulinus'	Env	£161.00
	Plate	£146.63
Average Weekly Standing Orders		£166.22

Other Income

'New to You' Shop	£222.50
OLSP – Keep Fit	£300.00

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

November - Month of the Holy Souls:
There is still time to return any of the Holy Souls brown envelopes – I will continue to update the List of the Dead over the coming week or so.

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.

Confirmation at St Joseph's 2027:
If you are in Y6 or older and wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation then please speak to Fr Stephen or Sarah Riley, catechist. There will be 3 x 3.5 hours sessions on a Saturday afternoon. Sam, our second catechist has moved away from the parish, so we need another volunteer. If you think you might be interested, please speak to Sarah.

Autumn Tombola at St Joseph's:
This raised £50. Thanks to all those who supported.

Dates for you Diary at St Joseph's:
14th November -General Christmas stock will be displayed in the New to You Shop.
21st and 22nd November - Gift Stall, Tombolas and seasonal refreshments after both Masses at St Joseph's.
10th December - Hummingbird Christmas Concert.

The Friends of St Paulinus School:
We are hoping to make a display about our pupils, past and present, and are seeking any old school or class photographs you might be able to share with us. Please let Susan Brearley have them at the 11.00am Mass in St Paulinus, please include your name and contact number, and the year of the photograph, and I will will ensure that they are returned to you. Thank you for your help. Susan Brearley (School Governor).

HCPT Group 74 - Lourdes 2027:
We are really struggling for helpers for next year and we need a nurse! HCPT Group 74 take vulnerable children on holiday to Lourdes every Easter. We need volunteers and a group nurse to travel with us next Easter (28th March to 3rd April). It costs £1190 for a 6 night stay in a 3 star hotel and flights. Under 25's can apply for a grant from The Catenians, and under 25's women can apply for a further grant from the Duchess of Leeds Assumption fund. All helpers are subject to an enhanced DBS. Please contact Helen at group74@hcpt.org.uk or 07354923748 for more details.

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. Info: oratory.stjoseph@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Sr Melanie Maguire CP:
Sr Melanie, a long-time teacher at St John Fisher's School died on 27th October, having just celebrated her 100th birthday only days before and her 75th year of religious profession. May she rest in peace.

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

Remembrance Sunday:
Faith and Light Soup Lunch Sunday 8th November in the Hall after 11 o'clock Mass. £3.00 for Soup or a sandwich, apple pie and cream. Tickets available after the 11.00am Mass or pay on the day.

OLSP Confirmation Preparation Classes:
Lessons for Children in Year 6 or above are beginning at St. Paulinus School on Monday 11th November - please see Miss Regan at Church or email hregan@stpaulinus.org for further information.

Leeds Cathedral Remembrance Sunday Concert:
Sunday 8th December, 3pm, Leeds Cathedral, Leeds Cathedral Senior Girls, Boys and Scholars Choirs sing Duruflé's Requiem and other music by Vierne, Byrd and Victoria in a special concert for Remembrance Sunday. Admission free, with a suggested £10 donation.

Leeds Cathedral Guided Tours:
Autumn Programme - A Free Guided Tour will take place on the following Saturdays during the autumn: (starting at 2.00pm) 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.

St Joseph's Catholic College Past Pupils' Day:
Saturday 21 November. Mass at 11:30am, followed by lunch (£15). To book your place, reply with dietary requirements by 13 November to James Jackson: jjackson@sbsj.co.uk & 01274 941941

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, The day includes Rosary, Mass, a talk, Confessions, and a Holy Hour with Adoration, 11.45am - 4:30pm. Lunch provided.

Dates for First Sacraments 2027:
Confirmation:
For both churches, to be held at St Paulinus on Thursday 4th February – 7.00pm
First Reconciliation:
St Joseph – Wednesday 17th March
St Paulinus – Thursday 18th March
First Holy Communion:
St Joseph's – Saturday 22nd May – 6.00pm
St Paulinus – Sunday 23rd May – 11.00am

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.

Friends of the Holy Land – Christmas Gifts:
For a range of meaningful Christmas Gift ideas, visit: https://www.friendsoftheholyland.org.uk/shop