

The Parish of
St Austin's and English Martyrs Churches, Wakefield

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4th Sunday of Advent (B)

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Masses this week 24 December 2017 to 31 December 2017

DAY	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 23 December	6.15 pm	St Austin's	Mary McKay – RIP
Sun 24 December Christmas Eve	8.15 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm 7.30 pm	St Austin's English Martyrs St Austin's St Austin's English Martyrs	Private Intention Jim & Wendy Campbell Private Intention Vigil Mass for Christmas Day - John Bartram – RIP Vigil Mass for Christmas Day – Pro Populo
Mon 25 December Christmas Day	Midnight 9.30 am 10.30 am	St Austin's English Martyrs St Austin's	Andrew Wright – RIP. Private Intention Dora and John Hough & Edward Mincher = RIP Pro Populo
Tue 26 December	10.00 am	St Austin's	Francis and Sheila Whitworth - WA
Wed 27 December	10.00 am	St Austin's	The World and the Church
Thu 28 December	10.00 am	St Austin's	Charles Hepworth – A. Michael Donoghue - RIP
Fri 29 December	10.00 am	St Austin's	Irene Loughlin – RIP. Robert McIntyre
Sat 30 December	9.30 am 6.15 pm 7.30 pm	St Austin's St Austin's Chantry Chapel	Rebecca Francis - B Priest's Intentions John Jewkes - RIP
Sun 31 December	8.15 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	St Austin's English Martyrs St Austin's St Austin's	Pro Populo November Dead List Priest's Intentions Dorothy Banks - RIP
Mon 1 January 2018	12 noon	St Austin's	Mary E Aston - A

Exposition: Usually half an hour before 9.30 am and 12 noon weekday Masses and after Saturday morning Mass

Novena: Monday 7.00 pm St Austin's

Day of Adoration: First Thursday of the month 10.00 am to 4.00 pm St Austin's. (10.00 am morning prayer, 11.25 am Rosary, Noon Mass followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 2.15 pm Rosary, 3.00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet, 3.40 pm Evening Prayer)

First Saturdays Devotion: Act of Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Blessed Virgin Mary. The Rosary will be recited during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 10.00 am. Mass of the day will be offered for this intention.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: St Austin's Saturday 10.00 am – 11.00 am & 5.15 pm to 5.45 pm and on the First Friday of the Month at 7.00 pm before the Latin Mass at 7.30 pm. English Martyrs – Sunday 9.00 am.

Polish Mass: Sunday 3.30 pm St Austin's

Wednesday Word: The parish version, reflecting on next Sunday's readings is online and copies are in both churches. www.wednesdayword.org/parish/resources.htm and is also available as a link from the page of our new parish web site.

Day	Group	Church Centre	Time
Tuesday	Tuesday Chat	English Martyrs	12.30 pm
	Music Group	English Martyrs	7.00 pm
Wednesday	Wednesday Friends – Keep Fit	St Austin's	2.00 pm
Thursday	Parents and Toddlers	St Austin's	9.30 am
	Thursday Club	St Austin's	12.30 pm
	Singing for Pleasure	St Austin's	1.30 pm
	Alpha Film Series	English Martyrs	7.30 pm

Please note the next day of Adoration will be on Thursday 1 February 2018 and on the first Thursdays of each month thereafter.

Please Note there will be no UCM meetings until Monday 8 January 2018 at 6.30 pm.

Fr David thanks everyone for their cards and gifts on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood.

Televised Midnight Mass – will be from St Annie's Cathedral in Leeds on Christmas Eve – beginning at 11.45 pm on BBC1.

Day of Adoration: First Saturdays Devotion, Act of Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Blessed Virgin Mary continues Saturday 1 January 2018 and every First Saturday thereafter. The Rosary will be recited after Mass at the beginning of the Hour of Devotion of the Blessed Sacrament. Confession available as normal and materials provided for meditation on the mysteries of the Rosary on the offertory table: Please return to table. Please see the folder in the Narthex for further information regarding the full requirements and promises attached to the Devotion.

Film Club will next meet on Wednesday 3 January in St Austin's Parish Centre when we will see "Their Finest". London 1940 in the Blitz, morale is low. An inexperienced screen writer and a makeshift cast and crew work under fire to lift the country's spirits and inspire America to join the war. Stars Gemma Arterton and Bill Nighy. Doors open at 6.30 pm for a 7.00 pm start. Café\bar open and ice creams will be on sale. Donations are welcome and so are you!.

A Reminder of a date for your diary – On 10 February 2018 at 7.30 pm a musical adventure will be held in St Austin's. This will feature a professional string quartet [who are giving their services free of charge], St Austin's Choir and St Austin's Players. All proceeds will go towards church funds. Tickets cost £8 or £20 for a family.

Diocesan Directories – now on sale in St Austin's Repository and at English Martyrs

St Austin's Narthex Post. There are plenty of Christmas cards waiting collection. Is there one for you? Do take a look.

'Gaudete!' the new Christmas CD from our church choir is now on sale. At £10 each they will make an ideal gift. Full of old favourites and other less well-known gems, with music for both Advent and Christmas. The CD can be downloaded from Amazon and iTunes.

Christmas Nativity Posters are now available in both churches. Please take a poster and display it prominently in your home.

The Crib is once again in The Ridings Centre. It is on the Upper Mall near Esquire's Coffee Shop. We are very grateful to the Ridings Management for allowing the crib to be displayed. Please pay a visit when in the Ridings.

Confirmation 2018: If you are in year 7 or 8, or older, and would like to be confirmed in May 2018, please see Mgr Smith or Fr Sean ASAP as preparation begins at the end of January. We have already had an initial information meeting, but it's not yet too late!

Items for the Bulletin: Please send to priest@catholicchurchwakefield.co.uk before noon on Thursday.

Collection this week: Envelopes: £617.60 Loose: £461.76 Standing Orders: £770.00 Total: £1849.33

Christmas Flowers £299.42. Thank You.

Please note that the collection over Christmas will be your gift to the parish priests.