

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

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1st Sunday of Advent

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Masses this week 2 December to 9 December 2018

DAY	Feast	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 1 December		6.15 pm	St Austin's	Peter de Tute
Sun 2 December		8.15 am	St Austin's	Pro Populo
		9.30 am	English Martyrs	Priest's Intention
		11.00 am	St Austin's	Frank Chappell – A
		6.00 pm	St Austin's	Lucy Elizabeth - B
Mon 3 December	St Francis Xavier	9.30 am	St Austin's	Maurice O'Shea – RIP
Tue 4 December	St John Damascene	12 noon	English Martyrs	O'Brien and Elley Families
		6.30 pm	St Austin's	November Dead List
Wed 5 December		9.30 am	St Austin's	Edward Drinkel – RIP
Thu 6 December	St Nicholas	12 noon	St Austin's	November Dead List
Fri 7 December	St Ambrose	12 noon	English Martyrs	Ned Doherty – A
		7.30 pm	St Austin's	Latin Mass – November Dead List
Sat 8 December	Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9.30 am	St Austin's	Caroline Dalziel – A
		6.15 pm	St Austin's	Michelle Bernadette - B
Sun 9 December		8.15 am	St Austin's	Michael Harte – 20 th Anniversary
		9.30 am	English Martyrs	Lily and Albert Haley – A
		11.00 am	St Austin's	Priests Intentions
		6.00 pm	St Austin's	Pro Populo

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/resource.htm. This is also available as a link from our parish web site.

Day	Group	Church Centre	Time
Wednesday	Wednesday Friends – Keep Fit	St Austin's	2.00 pm
	Intercessory Praise	English Martyrs	6.30 to 7.30 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
	RCIA	St Austin's	7.00 pm

Film Club – It's party time! Our next film on **Wednesday 5 December** is "*Saving Christmas*." An account of a young boy who tries to prove the existence of Santa by using his intelligence and gadgets. A light-hearted seasonal film with plenty of carols. Doors open at 6.30 for a 7.00 pm start. Complimentary sherry/fruit juice, mince pies and other goodies will be available to get us in the Christmas spirit as a thank you for your support throughout the last year. BUT you will have to wear something red! Everyone is welcome.

Advent Day of Recollection: At St Austin's on **Saturday 8th December**, beginning with Mass at **10am**, including talks, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Silence, opportunities for Confession and ending with Benediction around 3.30pm. Please bring food for a shared lunch. Refreshments will be provided.

Events Leading up to Christmas

- Fri. 14 December: Carol Social Evening:** 7.00 pm at English Martyrs Parish Centre. Tickets (£3 Adult, £1.50 children) will be on sale after Mass. Turkey Sandwich with Gravy and Cranberry Sauce, tea, coffee and mince pies will be served.
- Sun. 16 December: Making Christingles:** after 9.30 am Mass at English Martyrs.
- Christingle Service:** 3.30 pm at English Martyrs – everyone is welcome.
- BKCAT choir Carol Service:** 5.00 pm at English Martyrs – everyone is welcome.
- Fri. 21 December: Traditional Nine Lessons and Carols:** 7.00 pm at St Austin's followed by mince pies, panettone, mulled wine, tea and coffee in St Austin's Community Centre.

Christmas Posters: Please take and display in the windows of your homes to make others aware of the true meaning of Christmas

Confirmation for children in **years 6 & 7** will take place at St Austin's on Thursday 28th February. Preparation sessions will take place on Sunday afternoons from 20th January – 24th February inclusive. There will be an initial meeting for parents at St Austin's on **Tuesday 11th December**, beginning with Mass at 6.30pm. Further information and forms will be distributed on this occasion.

The Catholic Film Society's next meeting will be on **Tuesday 11 December** in St Austin's Community Centre, Doors open at 7.00 pm. (Not 18 December as announced at our last meeting). The film will be "*Our Lady of Walsingham*" on the history of the Marian shrine at Walsingham from 1061 ad [approx. 40 mins.] Afterwards there will be a Christmas get together with wine and goodies. Please wear something festive for the occasion. Donations appreciated to fund the Society. Everyone welcome.

Directory of Parish Activities: To help prepare this Directory, there is a form/ questionnaire available in the church porch for anyone responsible for any activity to complete and return to one of the priests no later than 9 December. Thanks.

The Parish Dinner at Felice's, 14 November made a grand total of £1,050 for parish funds. Very many thanks for all who made it such a successful evening, especially those who bought tickets and those who donated raffle prizes. A great time was had by all.

The Crib has once again been delivered to The Ridings Centre and is on display on the Upper Mall. This Crib has been in use since at least 2006 and the management of The Ridings have been very supportive in allowing this old tradition to be maintained. Last year we raised £500 which allowed donations of £100 to CAP, the Hospice, The Salvation Army, Levi's Star (a children's brain tumour charity) and the local Alzheimer's Society. Please take a few minutes to visit and have a look at this wonderful scene.

Gaudete! is the Christmas CD featuring the choir from St Austin's Church. Lots of traditional favourites along with some old and new that will come as a welcoming offering for Christmas. CDs at £10 are available from the shop in the Narthex, from the Choir after 11.00 am Mass on Sunday, by phone on 01924 364135 or at staustrinschoir@blueyonder.co.uk.

Church Cleaning: Friday 21 December at St Austin's 2.00 to 4.00 pm. **Decorating Church for Christmas: Monday 24 December** from 10.00 am. Many hands make light work, please come and help!

November Dead List: If you would like your loved ones to be remembered in Masses celebrated throughout the year, please list their names and leave an offering in the brown envelopes available in both churches. Their names will be displayed in the sanctuary in St Austin's for the month of November – the month of the Holy Souls.

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

Collection last week: Envelopes: £897.41 Loose: £549.85 Standing Orders: £760.00 Total: £2207.26
Suzy: Diocesan Youth Service. £303.53 **Thank you.** There will be a second collection next week for Christmas Flowers.