

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

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Masses this week 9 December to 16 December 2018

DAY	Feast	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 8 December		6.15 pm	St Austin's	Michelle Bernadette - B
Sun 9 December		8.15 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	St Austin's English Martyrs St Austin's St Austin's	Michael Harte – 20 th Anniversary Lily and Albert Haley – A Priests Intentions Pro Populo
Mon 10 December		9.30 am	St Austin's	CWL Founders' Day Mass
Tue 11 December		12 noon 6.30 pm	English Martyrs St Austin's	Pat Burns – RIP November Dead List
Wed 12 December	Our Lady of Guadalupe	9.30 am	St Austin's	Beatriz Gagabuan – RIP
Thu 13 December	St Lucy	12 noon 12 noon	St Austin's English Martyrs	November Dead List Funeral Service – Janos Nemeth – RIP
Fri 14 December	St John of the Cross	9.30 am 12 noon 12 noon	St Austin's St Austin's English Martyrs	The World and the Church Funeral Service – Martin Lacey – RIP November Dead List
Sat 15 December		9.30 am 6.15 pm	St Austin's St Austin's	November Dead List Hubert Barber – 13 th Anniversary
Sun 16 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 Priest's Intentions Pat Scarff – A Mr Robert and Mr McGrath

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 – Bingo and Biscuits!	St Austin's	12.30 pm
	Singing for Pleasure	St Austin's	1.30 pm
	RCIA	St Austin's	7.00 pm

Confirmation for children in **years 6 & 7**. St Austin's church **Thursday 28th February**. 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.

Church Cleaning – Christmas 2018: The cleaning session to prepare **St Austin's Church** for Christmas will be on **Friday 21 December 2.00 to 4.00 pm** to give the church a thorough clean. Then on **Monday 24 December** we will be decorating the church commencing at **10.00 am**, hopefully finishing by lunchtime. Volunteers (if only for an hour) are requested to come along and assist in these important tasks, there is plenty to do and Many Hands Make Light Work!
Volunteers are needed after Mass on **Sunday 23 December** to help clean **English Martyrs** and put decorations up. Also, help is needed with church cleaning in general. This normally happens every other Thursday morning around **9.00 am** and would only take an hour out of your day. If you can help please see Sarah Masters, Anne Lowrie or Angela Caines.

The Great Light Celebration – a selection of Christmas music and verse performed by the children of all year groups for the parishioners of St Austin's and Ss Peter & Paul's parish will be held in St Austin's School on **Monday 17 December** at 10.00 am. Seasonal refreshments will be served. The children and staff look forward to welcoming you to this annual event. For further details, please

Christmas Services: A schedule is available in both churches. Please take a copy for yourself and your neighbours and friends.

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

Directory of Parish Activities: Anyone responsible for any activity, please complete a form and return to one of the priests. **ASAP**

Donations received

St Austin's War Memorial restoration. £200 received from St Austin's Players from their very successful "We Will Remember Them" Armistice Centenary Event on 3 November. £200 received from Catholic Women's League from their funds raised throughout the year. Many thanks to all for these very generous and welcome donations.

Use of St Austin's Parish Centre. £75 received from the Toddler Group. Many thanks for your support.

For donating 18 children's garments. Thank you to the lady from English Martyrs for your generosity.

200+ Club: A double whammy – November winners are £200 to RoseMary Williamson (88) and £50 to Marc Auty (232). Christmas winners are £200 to Mat Marshall (279) and £50 to Christine Green (133). Happy days. Bernard will collect sometime in 2019

The Crib has once again been put on display in The Ridings Centre on the Upper Mall. We thank the management of The Ridings for their continued support allowing this old tradition to be maintained. Please take a few minutes to visit and view this wonderful scene.

Have you a small table crib in good condition you can donate? We would like to display one in St Austin's Parish Centre. A lot of outside groups use the Centre and this would be a chance for them to see the real meaning of Christmas. If you have one please call Anne on 01924 374248 who can collect.

Gaudete! The Christmas CD featuring the choir from St Austin's Church. Lots of traditional favourites along with something 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 staustinschoir@blueyonder.co.uk.

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 St Austin's church during 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: £794.60 Loose: 624.11 Standing Orders: £760.00 Total: £2178.71
Suzy: £176.22 Thank you.