

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

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## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent Year C

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### Masses this week 23 December to 30 December 2018

DAY	Feast	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 22 December		6.15 pm	St Austin's	Mary Hepworth – A
Sun 23 December		8.15 am	St Austin's	Priest's Intentions
		9.30 am	English Martyrs	Pro Populo
		11.00 am	St Austin's	Dr John and Betty O'Brien
		6.00 pm	St Austin's	William and Clare – WA
Mon 24 December		9.30 am	St Austin's	Ellen Holmes – A
		6.00 pm	St Austin's	John Bartram
		7.30 pm	English Martyrs	O'Brien and Elley Families
		11.00 pm	St Austin's	Sally Topley – return to health Andrew Wright – A
Tue 25 December		9.30 am	English Martyrs	Pro Populo
		10.00 am	St Austin's	The World and The Church
Wed 26 December	St Stephen	9.30 am	St Austin's	Colin Lawrence Croxall - RIP
Thu 27 December	St John Apostle and Evangelist	10.00 am	St Austin's	Zoe Morris - RIP
Fri 28 December	The Holy Innocents	10.00 am	St Austin's	Andy Harkin – RIP
		12.00 noon	English Martyrs	Jim Campbell - A
Sat 29 December	St Thomas Becket	9.30 am	St Austin's	Pauline Ramsden
		6.15 pm	St Austin's	November Dead List
Sun 30 December	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	8.15 am	St Austin's	Pro Populo
		9.30 am	English Martyrs	Jim Campbell – RIP
		11.00 am	St Austin's	November Dead List
		6.00 pm	St Austin's	Priest's Intentions

**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](http://www.wednesdayword.org/parish/resource.htm). This is also available as a link from our parish web site.

Day	Group	Church Centre	Time
Wednesday	<del>Wednesday Friends – Keep Fit</del>	St Austin's	2.00 pm
	Intercessory Praise	English Martyrs	6.30 to 7.30 pm
Thursday	<del>Parents and Toddlers</del>	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

**Church Cleaning – Christmas 2018 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 this important task and remember - Many Hands Do Make Light Work!

**Intercessory Praise Group** is also now taking a break for Christmas and will begin again on 9 January 2019. Why not come along to English Martyrs at 6.30 pm on Wednesday evening and pray for our Parish?

**Confirmation** for children in **years 6 & 7**. St Austin's church **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February**. If you wish your child to be Confirmed in 2019, forms are still available for you to complete and return until the deadline for enrolment on Sunday **13 January**. Classes will take place each Sunday afternoon in St Austin's Theatre 2.30 to 5.00 pm from 20 January to 24 February 2019.

**From Strength to Strength:** Beginning on 17 January and continuing for 5 weeks. there will be an evening on Prayer and how to do it! A friendly atmosphere, refreshments and a short film to help us deepen our prayer life. We will have a short discussion after the film to share our ideas. Come along and join us on our journey towards Lent. Time – 7.00 to 8.30 pm.

**Christmas Breaks:** There will NOT be a Day of Adoration in January. It will recommence on Thursday 7 February and on the first Thursday of each month thereafter.

**Christmas Services:** A schedule is available in both churches. Please take a copy for yourself and your neighbours and friends and remember to check for details of events in our Parish right up to the New Year.

**Sung Latin Mass** in the extraordinary form, for the soul of Richard Duke of York, killed in battle on 30 December 1460, will be held in the Chantry Chapel on Sunday 30 December at 7.30 pm. This marks the anniversary of the Battle of Wakefield.

£15 has been donated towards the cost of restoration of St Austin's War Memorial from research done by a parishioner for a descendent of one of our 84 parishioners commemorated on the war memorial.

**Christingle 2018:** The collection taken at this service raised £113.19 for Mary's Meals and the Children's Society, plus a second collection taken to pay for equipment and donations of oranges and sweets. Many thanks to all those who attended this service and for all those who donated money, items or time to make it possible.

**Christmas Posters:** Please take and display at home to make others aware of the true meaning of Christmas.

**The Crib** has once again been put on display in The Ridings Centre on the Upper Mall. Please take a few minutes to visit and view this wonderful scene.

**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](mailto:staustinschoir@blueyonder.co.uk).

If you require information about hiring St Austin's Parish Centre, please contact Paul Blackburn on 01924 374248. If you require information about hiring English Martyrs Parish Centre, please contact Bernard Lowrie on 01924 372928.

**Items for the Bulletin:** Please send to [priest@catholicchurchwakefield.co.uk](mailto:priest@catholicchurchwakefield.co.uk) before noon on Thursday marked "item for Bulletin"

**Collection last week: Envelopes: £998.10 Loose: 594.45 Standing Orders: £760.00 Total: £2352.55**  
**Suzy: Thank you.**