

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

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Masses this week 30 December to 6 January 2019

DAY	Feast	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 29 December		6.15 pm	St Austin's	Mary Hepworth - A
Sun 30 December	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	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 Jim Campbell – RIP November Dead List Priest's Intentions
Mon 31 December		10.00 am	St Austin's	Mary Elizabeth Aston – A
Tue 1 January	Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God	12.00 noon	St Austin's	Charles Hepworth – A
Wed 2 January		9.30 am	St Austin's	November Dead List
Thu 3 January	The Holy Name of Jesus	12.00 noon	St Austin's	
Fri 4 January		12.00 noon 7.30 pm	English Martyrs St Austin's	Frances and John Whitworth – WA Latin Mass - Brian Croxall – RIP
Sat 5 January		9.30 am 6.15 pm	St Austin's St Austin's	Mass of Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary Dominic Pio - B
Sun 6 January		8.15 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	St Austin's English Martyrs St Austin's St Austin's	Priest's Intentions Pro Populo Monsignor Henry Canon Thompson – A Andrew Banks - 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 **except January 2019** - 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

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.

Film Club: Our first film in the new year will be "Song for Marion" a heart-warming story of living life to the full when grumpy pensioner, Arthur [Terence Stamp] is reluctantly persuaded by his beloved wife, Marion [Vanessa Redgrave] to join her highly unconventional local choir. Also stars Christopher Eccleston and Gemma Arterton amongst a well-established British cast. The doors open on Wednesday **2 January** at 6.30 pm for a 7.00 pm start in St Austin's Parish Centre. No charge but donations welcome to cover the cost of our license and to support the Centre. The café\bar will be open and ice creams will be on sale. Everybody most welcome.

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

Many Thanks to everyone who helped in any way with the celebration of Christmas in the parish. Our musicians, altar servers, sacristans, cleaners, flower arrangers and many volunteers worked very hard in the days and weeks leading up to the feast and I am extremely grateful. Also, on behalf of Fr Crawley and myself, I would like to thank you all for your cards, gifts and Christmas offerings and wish you all a very Happy New Year. *Mgr Smith*

Flower Arrangers: We are desperately short of volunteers to go on St Austin's flower rota. If you feel you can help with the rota, which is on a 4-week basis or possibly a bit longer if we can get volunteers, please speak to one of the priests.

Donations: The proceeds from the recent cake sale and carol social held in English Martyrs Parish Centre of £217 were donated towards parish funds. Also, Thursday Friends have made a donation of £100 towards the upkeep of St Austin's Parish Centre. Many thanks for these generous donations.

A new book "The Men of St Austin's Catholic Church who died in World War Two" will be on sale from 5 January after the evening Mass and each Weekend Mass for 4 weeks and until further notice. Price £10. All proceeds from the sale will be donated to the Suzy Fund.

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 st austinschoir@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 before noon on Thursday marked "item for Bulletin"

Collection last week: Envelopes: £866.60 Loose: £635.99 Standing Orders: £760.00 Total: £2262.59
Suzy: 22/23 December £160.47. Also, 15/16 December £247.56 (which includes a donation of £94.00 from Cathy Peat).
Thank you.