

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

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Masses this week 2 to 9 February 2020

DAY	FEAST	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 1 February		6.15 pm	St Austin's	John de Tute – RIP
Sun 2 February		8.15 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	St Austin's English Martyrs St Austin's St Austin's	November Dead List Priest's Intentions Pro Populo Ignatius Hanna – RIP
Mon 3 February		9.30 am	St Austin's	Peter Cooper – RIP
Tue 4 February		12 noon 6.30 pm	English Martyrs St Austin's	Anne Atkinson – A John Kenny – RIP
Wed 5 February	St Agatha	12.30 pm	St Austin's	Requiem Mass – Ann Reape RIP
Thu 6 February	St Paul Mikki and Companions	12 noon	St Austin's	Jackie Hodgson – RIP
Fri 7 February		12 noon 7.30 pm	St Austin's	Irene Loughlin – RIP Latin Mass – November Dead List
Sat 8 February		9.30 am 6.15 pm	St Austin's St Austin's	Mary Meehan – A Thomas Butler – RIP
Sun 9 February		8.15 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	St Austin's English Martyrs St Austin's St Austin's	Maurice O'Shea – RIP Mary Cichocki – RIP Priest's Intentions Pro Populo

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 Exposition and after Saturday morning Mass. 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.

Novena: Monday 7.00 pm St Austin's

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
Monday	UCM (3.2.20)	English Martyrs	6.30 pm
Tuesday	Nibble and Natter	English Martyrs	8.30 to 11.00 am
	Mass followed by Tuesday Chit Chat	English Martyrs	12 noon
Wednesday	Intercessory Prayer and Praise	English Martyrs	6.30 pm
	Wednesday Friends – Keep Fit	St Austin's	2.00 pm
Thursday	Parents and Toddlers	St Austin's	9.30 am
	Thursday Club – Bingo, Biscuits and Banter	St Austin's	12.30 pm
	Singing for Pleasure	St Austin's	1.30 pm
	SVP (6.2.20)	St Austin's	7.00 pm

<p>Ash Wednesday is approaching. The ashes we receive are made from last year's blessed palms. I would be grateful if you could return any blessed palms so that they can be used for the beginning of Lent. There will be a basket in the narthex for this purpose.</p>
<p>First Holy Communion meeting for parents of children hoping to receive their First Holy Communion in May this year will be <i>on Tuesday 4 February at 7.00 pm</i> in St Austin's Parish Centre. It is very important that everyone attends.</p>
<p>Film Club: Our next film will be "Red Joan" based on the true story of Joan Stanley, a widow living out a quiet retirement in the suburbs when, shockingly, the British Secret Service places her under arrest – the charge - providing classified scientific information, including details on the building of the atomic bomb, to the Soviet government for decades. As the interrogation gets underway, Joan relives the dramatic events that shaped her life and her beliefs. It stars Judi Dench and Stacey Cookson. This will be on <i>Wednesday 5 February</i> in St Austin's Parish Centre. Doors open at 6.30 pm for a 7.00 pm start. Everyone welcome. No charge but donations most welcome to support the Centre</p>
<p>Valentine Variety – a night of music. A visiting professional quartet, a singer and guitarist duo and the Choir of St Austin's Church who are all giving their services without charge, will combine to provide an enjoyable evening of entertainment in the Theatre <i>on Saturday 15th February at 7.30 pm</i>. Tickets, at a cost of £10 each, including a pie and pea supper, will be available after the weekend Masses or by telephoning Catherine on 01924 372869. Raffle prizes wanted and could be left in the Presbytery or the Repository. All proceeds towards the cost of the boilers. Get your tickets soon as seating is restricted and come and enjoy a good night with your fellow parishioners and others.</p>
<p>Proclaim Meeting: The next meeting of our Parish Proclaim Group is at <i>7.00 pm on Tuesday 18 February</i> in St Austin's Parish Centre, everyone welcome as we pray, reflect and plan opportunities for evangelisation and spiritual renewal. We will include ideas to develop within our Parish the initiative of the Bishops of England and Wales "The God Who Speaks – The Year of the Word".</p>
<p>St Austin's School have two vacancies for a lunch time support assistant and a temporary class teacher. Please see the notice board in the narthex for further details.</p>
<p>Boiler Appeal: As most of you are aware, the recent urgent repairs to the boilers at St Austins and English Martyrs have cost just over £21k. We had received some immediate tremendous donations from a couple of parishioners totalling £6k which left us a daunting £15k deficit that we have been reducing slowly over the past few weeks. The Boiler Appeal that took place last weekend raised a magnificent £6k and as some parishioners have Gift Aided their contributions that figure will rise a little bit more in coming days. Mgr Smith and Fr Willis would like to thank everyone for their generosity and support at this difficult time. Mgr Smith said, "<i>we continue to pursue different grants and hope to be able to reclaim the VAT but will still have a deficit – we are, of course, happy to accept/receive any future donations but are also very grateful for the financial support that has been given. Many thanks to all.</i>"</p>
<p>Art Auction: There are two stained glass windows in the lady chapel of St Austin's Church that were installed in 1993 for Canon Hugh Barr, in memory of a former parish priest Monsignor Thompson. They were designed by the Wakefield artist Steve Simpson who produced many sketches and variations on the theme of St Augustine (St Austin) as a monk in Rome and as Archbishop of Canterbury. The final chosen designs are now in two framed paintings that the artist has donated to the parish to raise funds for the parish. The auction for the paintings will take place at the Valentine Concert on Saturday 15 February in the Parish Theatre. If you wish to make a "sealed bid" for one/or both, of the paintings before the concert please submit your bid in writing to St Austin's Presbytery in an envelope with your name and marked 'Auction' by Friday 14 February. More details on the wall in the narthex and the pictures will be on display next Sunday.</p>
<p>The Parish Toddler Group meet Thursdays 9.15 to 11.15 during term time in St Austin's Parish Rooms, for parents, grandparents, carers and their children – (4 weeks to 4 years old) to play, make friends and have fun. Cost £1.50 includes refreshments. New members would be made very welcome so please just come along and join the fun.</p>
<p>Pilgrimage to Rome/Palazola 30 August to 6 September 2020. Mgr Smith will lead this Pilgrimage as spiritual director. The cost is £1,395 per person (sharing in Room and a single room at the villa) with a £100 supplement for a single room throughout. The Pilgrimage includes four night in Rome and three nights in the villa of the English College by Lake Albano, opposite the Pope's summer palace, and includes a full programme of excursions and activities. If you are interested, please contact Joan Gossner on 242610 or speak to Mgr Smith.</p>
<p>The God Who Gives Life: As part of <i>The Year of the Word</i>, the Diocese is hosting a series of talks which explore the theme of human flourishing in Scripture. The next talk, "<i>The God Who Leads by Example – how Christ in the New Testament teaches us to be human</i>" by Rev Dr Richard Ounsworth OP, Faculty of Theology and Religion, Oxford University, will be held at Hinsley Hall on Thursday 13 February 15 7.00 pm. To confirm a place, please contact gregory.stacy@dioceseofleeds.org.uk</p>
<p>Items for the Bulletin: Please send to priest@catholicchurchwakefield.co.uk before noon on Thursday marked "Item for Bulletin".</p>
<p>Collection Last Week: Envelopes: £.756.41 Loose: £469.39 Standing Orders: £874.00 Total: £2099.80 Suzy: £146.47 (week 18/19 Jan) Thank You.</p>