

**The Parish of St Austin**  
**and the English Martyrs, Wakefield**

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**3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Lent [A]**



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**Masses this week 15 to 22 March 2020**

DAY	FEAST	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 14 March		6.15 pm	St Austin's	Carol Ann West – RIP
Sun 15 March		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 Andrew Crawley - RIP
Mon 16 March		9.30 am	St Austin's	Tony Massarella - RIP
Tue 17 March	St Patrick	12 noon 6.30 pm	English Martyrs St Austin's	November Dead List Felix Gagabuan Sr - RIP
Wed 18 March		9.30 am	St Austin's	Anthony Battle - RIP
Thu 19 March	St Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary	12 noon	St Austin's	Special Intention
Fri 20 March		9.30 am 12 noon	St Austin's English Martyrs	Sylvia D – RIP November Dead List
Sat 21 March		9.30 am 6.15 pm	St Austin's St Austin's	November Dead List Michael McCarthy - RIP
Sun 22 March		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 John Joseph Hough – 67 <sup>th</sup> A Ann Marks – RIP 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](http://www.wednesdayword.org/parish/resource.htm). This is also available as a link from our parish web site.

Day	Group	Church Centre	Time
Tuesday	Nibble and Natter	English Martyrs	8.30 to 11.00 am
	Mass followed by Tuesday Chit Chat	English Martyrs	12 noon
Wednesday	Wednesday Friends – Keep Fit	St Austin's	2.00 pm
	Intercessory Prayer and Praise	English Martyrs	6.30 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 (19.3.2020)	St Austin's	7.00 pm

**Lenten Services:** Until Holy Week, **Stations of the Cross & Benediction** will be said on Wednesdays at 7.00 pm in St Austin's and on Fridays before the lunch time Mass at English Martyrs.

**Dancing a Little with the Mystics and Lectio Divina:** The first will take place in St Austin's Parish Centre after Mass on Friday 20 March and the second will take place in the English Martyrs Centre on Thursday 19 March at 7.00 pm.

We have been advised by the Bishop not to use our hymn books. In their place copies of the hymns selected for our various Masses have been made and will be distributed to you before Mass. Please do be aware that we will continue to distribute Communion under one kind only and the "Sign of Peace" is omitted whilst the present situation continues.

If you use **Offertory Envelopes**, could you please make sure you collect the new ones from the back of church. Your name should be on the box but please check and make sure the number is correct and matches the one that you currently use. If you would like to use envelopes, Standing Orders or have any queries, please flag them with Niall or Barbara who will be happy to assist.

**Parish Forum Meeting** will take place on Tuesday 17 March at 7.30 pm in St Austin's Parish Centre. **(Please note change of date)** If anyone has an item for the agenda will they please forward it to [priest@catholicchurchwakefield.co.uk](mailto:priest@catholicchurchwakefield.co.uk)

**Where are the Scriptures in your Life:** The Catenians are hosting a 'Day of Recollection' on the theme "Where are the Scriptures in your Life" at Leeds Trinity University, Brownberrie Lane, Horsforth, Leeds LS18 5HD on Saturday 21 March (10.00 am to 5.00 pm) led by Bishop John Arnold, Bishop of Salford. The day will conclude with Mass in the Chapel at 4.00 pm fulfilling your Sunday obligation. Everyone is invited. A buffet lunch will be available with tea and coffee in the break at a cost of £20. Please contact Chris L'Estrange (Huddersfield Circle) on email [chris.lestrange@sky.com](mailto:chris.lestrange@sky.com) or call 07740624989 to confirm attendance.

The Parish Toddler Group are collecting Easter eggs for the food bank and are inviting any members of the Parish who may wish to help to bring an egg to Mass over the weekend of 21/22 or 28/29 March and place in the boxes provided. Thank you.

**Re-dedication of England as the Dowry of Mary on the Sunday after the Annunciation 29 March.** The re-dedication in 2020, unlike the dedication of King Richard II in 1381, will not be the gift of the country of England, but the personal gift of the faith of the people of England to the Mother of God, to seek her help in building a strong spiritual foundation for the New Evangelisation. We call upon Our Lady to guide and protect our country in the years to come. We ask for her intercession, that the people of our country may work together to build the common good, as we seek to embrace the truth of the Gospel that inspires us to create a culture that respects life, that embraces the great diversity of our people and inspires all to a greatness of heart that will serve our community by seeking the good of others before ourselves, especially the poor and the marginalised of our world.

**Our Parish will prepare** by praying the nine-day Novena to Our Lady of Walsingham, after each weekday Mass in both Churches, commencing Saturday 21 March after morning Mass. The Novena prayers will culminate with Benediction, at St Austins on Sunday 29 March at 5.00 pm. At that time, as the people, we will once again renew the vows of dedication to Mary by King Richard II praying together the Act of Entrustment. During this time of personal and communal preparation for the Re-dedication we are all encouraged to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist, joining in the Novena together or in our own time. For further information please see: [www.behold2020.com](http://www.behold2020.com)

**200+ Club:** Annual payments (preferred) of £24 are now due. Cheques payable to St Austin's 200 Club please. Cash or cheques in a labelled envelope with name and number (if known). Bernard will be available to collect at as many Masses as possible this weekend and next. Envelopes may also be posted through the presbytery door. E-banking is fine. Ask or email [berneboy60@gmail.com](mailto:berneboy60@gmail.com) for details. Thank you for your support which enables c. £3000 to be given to the parish each year. New members very much needed – see Bernard or information sheet in the narthex. You have to be in it to win it.

**Easter Cards** (the best in Wakefield) made by a parishioner, are now on sale in the Repository. If you buy these she will willingly make even more – yet another way to support our Parish and thank this creative parishioner.

**Parish Centre Bookings:** This is a very busy place, managed by volunteers and used extensively by parochial and non-parochial groups alike. It is also a valuable source of income for the parish. It works very well with your co-operation! Everyone is very welcome to use the Centre but please do remember to let Paul Blackburn know [tel: 01924 374248] so that clashes can be avoided and arrangements made to ensure you have the space you need. Many thanks.

**Thursday Friends and Singing for Pleasure** have been suspended for the time being, as a coronavirus precaution. We will let you know when they are back.

**St Austin's Choir** have donated £250 for the Church Restoration Fund. Many thanks.

The **SVP collection** raised £415.52 plus £271.33 in previous donations. Sincere thanks for this generosity.

**Pilgrimage to Rome/Palazola 30 August to 6 September 2020.** Mgr Smith will lead the Pilgrimage as spiritual director. The cost is £1,395 per person (sharing in Room & 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. The Pilgrimage includes a full programme of excursions and activities. If you are interested, please contact Joan Gossner on 242610 or speak to Mgr Smith.

**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: £905.70 Loose: £719.67 Standing Orders: £874.00 Total: £2499.37 Thank you**