

The Parish of St Austin and The English Martyrs, Wakefield

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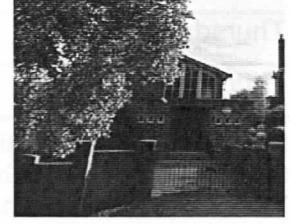
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First Sunday of Advent

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Mass programme for the week 27 November to 4 December

DAY	FEAST	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 26 Nov		6.15 pm	St Austin	Thomas Butler – RIP
Sun 27 Nov	First Sunday of Advent	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Austin St Austin	Anthony Denton Mark Taylor – return to health Pro Populo Priest's Intentions
Mon 28 Nov		9.30 am	St Austin	Successful treatment
Tue 29 Nov		11.30 am 6.30 pm	English Martyrs St Austin	Vocations to the Priesthood Eileen Cawley – RIP
Wed 30 Nov	St Andrew			Eucharistic Service
Thu 1 Dec		12 noon	St Austin	Brian Pilmer – RIP
Fri 2 Dec		12 Noon 7.30 pm	St Austin St Austin	Mary O'Shea November Dead List
Sat 3 Dec		9.30 am 6.15 pm	St Austin St Austin	Mass of reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary Peter de Tute - RIP
Sun 4 Dec		8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Austin St Austin	Priest's Intentions Pro Populo Paul George Frank Chappell - RIP

Confessions: Saturday 10.00 – 11.00 am and 5.15 – 5.45 pm.

Wednesday Word is on the Parish web site and at www.wednesdayword.org/parish/resource.htm

Prayers for the recently deceased: The Holy Rosary will be said at St Austin's Church after the 12 noon Mass on Fridays and at The English Martyrs church before the 9.30 am Mass on Sundays. *Please pray for the sick of our parish, for those recently deceased and for those who have no-one to pray for them*

Novena: The dates for Novena in December and January are: 12 December (No meeting on 26 December). 9 and 23 January 2023. At the usual time of 7.00 pm. Everyone is welcome to this service of prayer and peace.

First Saturdays Devotion, Act of Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Blessed Virgin Mary. Every First Saturday, the Rosary will be recited after the Mass at 10.00 am, the beginning of the Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Materials for meditation on the mysteries of the Rosary are on the offertory table, please return after use. Please see the folder in the Narthex for further information regarding the full requirements and promises attached to the Devotion. **Mass of the day will be offered for this devotion. For Mass donations, please speak with Elamma M or Mary O'C**

First Thursday Adoration – Thursday 1 December 9.00 am to 11.30 am. Begins with morning prayer at 9.00 am, followed by Devine Mercy Chaplet at 10.15 am, and the Holy Rosary at 11.15 am. There will also be periods of silent prayer and reflection. Holy Mass will follow at 12noon. A good way to begin Advent.

DAY	GROUP	CHURCH CENTRE	TIME
Wednesday	Keep Fit	St Austin's	2.00 pm
Wednesday	Prayer and Praise	English Martyrs	6.00 to 7.00 pm
Thursday	Parents & Toddlers	St Austin's	9.30 am
Thursday	Thursday Club	St Austin's	12.30 pm
Thursday	Singing for Pleasure	St Austin's	1.30 pm

School Children and the Sacraments: Preparation for the Sacraments for our children who are due to receive them in the following school years is now underway:

Year 3: First Confession.

Year 6: Confirmation.

Year 4: First Holy Communion. There will be an initial meeting for parents of children who are hoping to make their First Holy Communion next summer, on Tuesday 6 December at 7.00 pm in the Parish Centre. It is very important that you attend.

Morning of Adoration in St Austin's Church. See first page for more details.

Advent Days of Reflection led by Fr Dennis Cassidy on Friday 2nd or Saturday 3rd December at the Briery from 10.00 am to 3.30 pm. "Images of Christ – Reconciliation & Mercy." To book a place please call the administrators on 01943 607287 or email briery@btconnect.com.

Ss Peter & Paul – Christmas Fayre: 3 December – 10.30 am to 2.00 pm in Ss Peter and Paul church hall. Refreshments and lots of gift ideas will be available. All welcome.

Meg Hunter-Kilmer will speak at Ss Peter and Paul's Wakefield on 4th & 5th December at 7.00 pm. Meg has written three books: "Saints Around the World," "Pray for Us", and "A Year in the Word". Her talk on Sunday 4th is titled "Making Room for the Christ Child" and on Monday 5th is "Walking to Bethlehem with the Saints". She recommends bringing your bible to the talks. Refreshments will be served in the hall afterwards. Go to www.peterpaul.org.uk and www.piercedhands.com for more details.

Henry VI talk: Richard Atkinson will be giving a talk on 6 December at 7.45 pm in the hall at Ss Peter & Paul, Sandal, following their 7.00 pm Mass. Henry VI's supporters fought at the Battle of Wakefield in 1460 and were victorious yet he was deposed as King the following year. On the 601st anniversary of his birth we will look at this complex monarch and ask whether he was an ineffectual ruler or a great man worthy of Sainthood, denied this honour through Yorkist campaigning and Henry VIII's fallout with Rome. All welcome, entry is free but donations for refreshments welcome.

Film Club: It's Christmas party time! Our film will be Irving Berlin's "Holiday Inn" starring Bing Crosby and Fred Astaire with some wonderful music and dancing including "White Christmas" a seasonal favourite. Complimentary sherry/orange juice, mince pies and chocolates will be available for you all and everyone is welcome. Please come and join us on Wednesday 7 December – doors open at 6.30 pm for a 7.00 pm start. The only condition on entry is that you wear something RED.

Lourdes Fund Raising: At the 11.00 am Mass Anna Manaush, Aditi Ajish and Nika Anil Kumar, pupils at St Thomas a Becket School, who will be selling cakes to fund their pilgrimage to Lourdes. Please support them if you can.

November Dead List If you would like to make a last-minute donation to the Dead List, please place it in one of the special envelopes available at the back of church, together with your own name as donor. All envelopes can be placed in the collection basket or posted through the presbytery letter box at St Austin's.

Christmas Cards are now on sale in the Repository. **Carmelite Spirituality for Advent.** We have a limited number of copies of "Upon the Mountain" an introduction to prayer in the Carmelite tradition for £6.99. Please support our parish by purchasing your cards and other spiritual stock from our own shop!

Churches Together in Wakefield will be Carol Singing on 15 December outside Sainsbury's, Trinity Walk from 5.30 pm to 7.00 pm at the latest. In aid of the DEC Ukraine Appeal. Parking will be free from 3.00 pm

Donation: A legacy of £9,000 has been received for our parish. Many grateful thanks to the donor.

Norman Hazell RIP. The family of the late Norman Hazel would like to thank everyone who attended his funeral for their valued support at this sad time and in grateful thanks for the £700 which was raised in a voluntary collection at the end of the Requiem Mass. May he rest in peace.

Bulletins: Items for the Bulletin can be emailed to office.staustin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or posted through the Presbytery door, by lunch time on a Thursday. Thank you.

Collection Last Weekend

Envelopes: £488.48

Loose: £619.00

Standing Orders: £1042.00.

Total: £2144.48

Thank You