

The Parish of St Austin and The English Martyrs, Wakefield

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1st Week in Ordinary time

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Mass programme for the week 8-15 January 2023

DAY	FEAST	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 7 Jan		6.15 pm	St Austin	Nydia Pereira
Sun 8 Jan		8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Austin St Austin	Pro Populo Priest's Intention Cyprian di Costa Sheila Ashton & Kevin Osborne
Mon 9 Jan		10.00 am	St Austin	Catherine Drinkel
Tue 10 Jan		10.30 am	St Austin	Stephen Cahill – Requiem Mass
Wed 11 Jan		10.30 am	English Martyrs	
Thu 12 Jan	St Aelred of Rievaulx	12 noon	St Austin	Pat Hancock
Fri 13 Jan	St Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	12 noon	St Austin	Pope Benedict XVI
Sat 14 Jan		9.30 am 6.15 pm	St Austin St Austin	Priest's Intentions Margaret Benson
Sun 15 Jan	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Austin St Austin	Priest's Intentions Priest's Intentions Vocations to the Priesthood Priest's Intentions

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 January are: (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

First Thursday Adoration – 9.00 am to 11.30 am. Begins with morning prayer at 9.00 am, followed by Divine 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 12 noon. Our next service will be on Thursday 2 February 2023.

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 4: First Holy Communion. Preparation Session Sunday 15 January 9.30am in the Parish Centre

Year 6: Confirmation. Preparation session Tuesday 10 January at 7 pm in the Parish Centre

A Date for Your Diary – The Bishop will be visiting St Austin's on Tuesday 7 February at 7 pm to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to our young people who have been preparing for the last few weeks. Please remember them in your prayers.

Alpha – will restart on Thursday 2 January in English Martyrs Centre at 7 pm

All the clubs are now back from their Christmas break and happy to see your return to join them.

Pope Benedict XVI – Please remember in your prayers the late Holy Father who died on the last day of the year and whose funeral was celebrated in Rome on 5 January. May God grant him eternal rest.

LITTLE BITS OF GOD' MOSAIC: During the Year of the Word in 2020 a mosaic was commissioned as part of the God Who Speaks initiative entitled, 'Little Bits of God'. The mosaic is coming to Leeds Cathedral from Saturday 14th January until Thursday 9th February 2023. The mosaic will be housed in the north transept and will be accessible to be visited when the Cathedral is open outside of liturgy times. There will be resources available to explain the mosaic. The mosaic will be launched at the 12noon Mass on Saturday 14th January 2023 followed by a talk about the mosaic. The Vicariate for Education will be co-ordinating visits from both Primary and Secondary Schools. There will be some dates (yet to be confirmed) when there will be people on hand to give a 'tour' of the mosaic.

Foundation Governors: The Bishop Konstant Catholic Academy Trust is seeking to recruit Foundation Governors to join the Academy Councils of St Austin's Catholic Primary School and English Martyrs' Catholic Primary School. These management positions include responsibilities for ensuring targets for education are met, transparent financial accountability, appointments of school staff and ensuring clarity of Catholic vision, ethos and strategic direction. If you are interested in helping to maintain standards in our Catholic schools, you must be a practising Catholic and over the age of 18. Interested persons are invited to complete an application form by emailing admin@bbcat.co.uk. Further information about the Trust and its schools can be found at <http://www.bkcat.co.uk/>

Sick Communions – it frequently happens that people stop coming to Mass without any reason being apparent. I am conscious that in many cases this may be because of advanced age or ill health that we are unaware of. If you know of anyone in this position who would like to receive Holy Communion at home from one of the priests or from an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, please write down their name and address and telephone number and give it to one of the priests.

Used Postage Stamps: Looking for somewhere to put all those used stamps received over the Christmas period? Please place them in the box in the narthex. Revenue from these will be used to support the Leprosy Mission.

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: £435.32

Loose: £900.69

Standing Orders: £1042.00

Total: £2378.01

Thank you