

The Parish of St Austin and The English Martyrs, Wakefield

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7th Week in Ordinary time

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Mass programme for the week 19 to 26 February 2023

DAY	FEAST	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 18 Feb		6.15 pm	St Austin	Margaret Nester
Sun 19 Feb	7 th 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 Intentions of Margaret and Barrie Long Barrie Yeomans Pro Populo
Mon 20 Feb		9.30 am	St Austin	Roy Wade
Tue 21 Feb				NO MASS
Wed 22 Feb	Ash Wednesday	9.30 am 12 noon 7.00 pm	English Martyrs St Austin St Austin	Priest's Intentions Halley Matthew Steven Cahill
Thu 23 Feb		12 noon	St Austin	Mary O'Donnell
Fri 24 Feb		12 noon 7.30 pm	St Austin St Austin	Mary Hood Jack Norman
Sat 25 Feb		9.30 am 6.15 pm	St Austin St Austin	Priest's Intention John de Tute
Sun 26 Feb	First Sunday of Lent	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Austin St Austin	Patrick O'Connell Phyllis O'Brien Priest's Intention Pro Populo

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

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 Novena dates for February and March are: 20 February, 6 & 20 March, all 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 10.00 am Mass, 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 12.00 noon. **The next Morning of Adoration will be on Thursday 2 March.**

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
Thursday	Alpha	English Martyrs	7.00 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:

Lent 2023: Lent begins on Wednesday 22 February (Ash Wednesday). This, as always, is a day of Fasting and Abstinence. Masses in the parish will be at 9.30 am in English Martyrs' Church, at 12 noon and 7.00 pm in St Austin's Church. Ashes will be distributed at all Masses. During Lent there will be stations of the Cross and Benediction every Wednesday evening at 7.00 pm in St Austin's Church. There will also be Stations of the Cross before the 11.30 am Mass on Tuesdays at English Martyrs. Please do whatever you can to make this Lenten season special by prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

You will notice that there is no Mass in the parish on Tuesday of this coming week. Monsignor Philip Moger, a priest of the diocese, is being consecrated auxiliary bishop of Southwark on that day and both priests will be attending. Please remember Monsignor Moger in your prayers at this time.

Natter Matters: It is good to get together, have a natter, cup of tea or coffee and a laugh. It is lovely to chat with people you know or chat to new people. If you fancy meeting up with a few ladies, on alternative Mondays between 6.30 and 8.00 pm in English Martyrs Parish Centre, please come along on Monday 20 February to find out more.
Refreshments after Mass in English Martyrs Parish Centre. Drinks, light refreshments and a warm welcome are available after Mass every Sunday. It would be a good opportunity to see the newly refurbished centre too.

A Lenten Day of Reflection led by Fr Dennis Cassidy at the Briery, Ilkley entitled "A Journey through Lent in the footsteps of Jesus. Friday 3 March or Saturday 4 March. The day starts at 10.00 am and ends approximately 3.30 pm and includes morning coffee/homemade biscuits, a two-course lunch and afternoon tea with cake. Offerings £40 per person. For further information and to book a place please contact Admin at the Briery on 01943 607287 or email briery@btconnect.com.

Communion at home: 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 not aware 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.

MISSION "IS" POSSIBLE: The exciting news is that **Sr. Maria Silva O.P.** will be leading a Lenten Mission (Monday 27th Feb – Thursday 2nd March). From running car dealerships in the Bronx to the Oprah Winfrey Show, via joining the Dominican Sisters of Mary Mother of the Eucharist and now leading a Roman University. Sr Maria's story is amazing! She will be speaking at 7pm each evening at Ss Peter and Paul St George's Walk, Wakefield WF2 7NR.

DIOCESE OF LEEDS PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2023: 6 nights from £745. 7-13 July 2023 by air from Leeds/Bradford Airport. To book please contact Tangney Tours, tel 01732 886666, www.tangney-tours.com & follow links for Lourdes, Leeds. Booking forms will arrive in parishes very soon. (Pilgrim's Mass, Saturday 20 May 12.00pm at Holy Name Church, Otley Old Road, LS16 6HW. Light buffet and social in the hall afterwards, also medical checks.)

Bequest: A further £9,924.65 has been bequeathed to the Parish from a much loved and respected parishioner. 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: £449.40 **Loose:** £572.12 **Standing Orders:** £984.42 **Total: £2005.94**
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