The Parish of St Austin and The English Martyrs, Wakefield

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5th Week of Lent



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Mass programme for the week 26 March to 2 April 2023

DAY	FEAST	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION	
Sat 25 Mar		6.15 pm	St Austin	Mary Hood and Thomas Butler	
Sun 26 Mar	Fifth Sunday of Lent	8.00 am	St Austin	Priest's Intentions	
		9.30 am	English Martyrs	Intentions of B Lanne	
		11.00 am	St Austin	John Ainsworth	
		6.00 pm	St Austin	Pro Populo	
Mon 27 Mar		9.30 am	St Austin	Intentions of Terry McDonagh	
		2.00 pm	St Austin	Funeral Service – Vera Atmore	
Tue 28 Mar		11.30 am	English Martyrs	O'Brien and Elley Families	
		6.30 pm	St Austin	Rene Pogado	
Wed 29 Mar		10.30 am	English Martyrs	Eucharistic Service	
Thu 30 Mar		12 noon	St Austin	Sick Person	
Fri 31 Mar		12 noon	St Austin	Jack Drinkel	
Sat 1 Apr		9.30 am	St Austin	Act of Reparation	
		6.15 pm	St Austin	Kathleen Crawley	
Sun 2 Apr	Palm Sunday	8.00 am	St Austin	Pro Populo	
		9.30 am	English Martyrs	David and Christy Jackson	
		11.00 am	St Austin	Austin and Constance Murphy	
		6.00 pm	St Austin	Priest's Intentions	

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

 $\textbf{Wednesday Word} \text{ is on the Parish web site and at } \underline{\text{www.wednesdayword.org/parish/resource.htm}}$

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 Novena date for April and May is 3 & 17 April and 1, 15 & 29 May at the usual time of 7.00 pm. All are 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 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 12.00 noon.

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

Lent 2023: 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.

Anna Gilroy a St. Austin's parishioner who serves regularly at the Saturday evening Vigil, is hoping to attend the World Youth Day in Portugal this summer, with others from the Leeds Diocese. She is fundraising to help cover the cost and will be doing a sponsored walk-up Pen-y-Ghent on Saturday 27th May 2023.

If you would like to sponsor her you can scan the QR code, access the page at bit.ly/3Y8s1Gx or catch her at the Vigil Mass. Petition papers, and envelopes for parishioners to place their petitions, which Anna will place at the shrine of Our Lady of Fatima, are available. Please do support our young faithful parishioner. The **Coffee Morning** held las week in St Austin's Parish Centre raised the magnificent total of £583.30. Many thanks to everyone who generously supported Anna who feels very affirmed in our community.

Congratulations to the following raffle winners. **1 Prize** ticket No. 208, Peter Brooks. **4 Prize** ticket No. 72, Anne Frances. **5 Prize** ticket No. 100, Paul Granger. **6 Prize** ticket No. 207 Peter Brooks. **7 Prize** ticket No. 39, Steph Smith. The 2nd and 3rd Prizes were claimed by Mrs de Tute and Mrs Gilroy on the day. Unclaimed prizes can be collected at the Saturday vigil Mass from the Narthex.

Raymond Melican will be brought into Ss Peter & Paul's church on Tuesday 28 March at 17.00. His requiem Mass will take place on Wednesday 29 March at 10.30 am. All are welcome.

The Big Clean of the church for Easter will take place on Saturday 1 April after the 9.30 am Mass. All are invited to take part to help to make our church beautiful for this great feast. Refreshments are provided! Please come along even if you have only a short time to spare. You will be very welcome. **Please Note** the Adoration will take place at 9.00 am before Mass. Confessions will be available at the usual time.

St Austin's Church gave a very warm welcome to the **Leeds Cathedral Girls' Choir and Choral Scholars** at the 11.00 am Mass last Sunday. The excellent quality of their music, the result of dedication and commitment to twice weekly 90-minute practice sessions and providing the music liturgy in St Anne's Cathedral every two weeks, was appreciated by a packed congregation. All the 40 members went reverently to Holy Communion before concluding the Mass with William Byrd's 'Civitatis'. The were an inspiration and provided hope for the future of our faith. Very many thanks to them and to their parents. We look forward to welcoming them back.

Many thanks to all the parishioners who collected the new Offertory Envelopes that will be used from 9 April 2023. If you would like to start to use envelopes or Standing Orders or have any Gift Aid queries, please contact Niall by phone on 01924 870403 or email niallodonn@aol.com.

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. (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.)

Repository: We now have new stock in the Repository and Easter Cards are now on sale. Please support your church.

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.

Collections last weekend

Envelopes: £605.63 Loose: £693.80 Standing Orders: £984.42 Total: **£2283.85**There will be a second Collection for Easter Flowers this weekend.

Thank you