

The Parish of St Austin and The English Martyrs, Wakefield

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Christmas Time



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Mass programme for the week 31 December 2023 to 7 January 2024

DAY	FEAST	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 30 Dec		6.15 pm	St Austin	Mary Dunford (North) – A. John & Margeret North Wedding Anniversary
		7.00 pm	Chantry Chapel	Richard Duke of York
Sun 31 Dec	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	8.00 am	St Austin	Jim Campbell – A
		9.30 am	English Martyrs	O'Brien and Elley Families
		11.00 am	St Austin	Pope Benedict XVI – RIP
		6.00 pm	St Austin	Pro Populo
Mon 1 Jan	Mary, the Holy Mother of God	12 noon	St Austin	Dr Angel Mathew & Dr Ben Hur (Wedding)
Tue 2 Jan	Ss Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen	11.30 am	English Martyrs	John Bartram
		6.30 pm	St Austin	Colin Croxall – RIP
Wed 3 Jan	The Most Holy Name of Jesus	9.30 am	St Austin	Susan Tomlinson
		10.30 am	English Martyrs	November Dead List
Thu 4 Jan		12 noon	St Austin	John North Jnr - A
		7.30 pm	English Martyrs	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Fri 5 Jan		12 noon	St Austin	Intentions Job
Sat 6 Jan		9.30 am	St Austin	Mass of Reparation
		6.15 pm	St Austin	Maurice O'Shea
Sun 7 Jan	The Epiphany of The Lord	8.00 am	St Austin	Pro Populo
		9.30 am	English Martyrs	Peter Cichocki – RIP
		11.00 am	St Austin	Mgr Thompson – A
		6.00 pm	St Austin	Renata Massa-Bova - 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

Novena: The Novena dates for January 2024 are 8 & 22 January 2024 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.

DAY	GROUP	CHURCH CENTRE	TIME
Wednesday	Keep Fit	St Austin's	2.00 pm
Wednesday	Prayer and Praise	English Martyrs	6.30 to 7.30 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

There will be Holy Rosary 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. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be half an hour before all weekday Masses and 10.00 to 11.00 am on Saturday. *Please pray for the sick of our parish, for those recently deceased and for those who have no-one to pray for them.*

200 Years of St Austin's, Wakefield – Date for your Diary: St Austin's Church was opened on 4 March 1828 but the planning began much earlier in 1824. As we start to prepare for our 200th anniversary we will be holding a small display and presentation on **Thursday 25 January 2024** doors open at 6.30 pm for refreshments and the display with the presentation from 7.00 to 7.30 pm. Free entry but any donations encouraged and will go toward the St Austin's Church Restoration Funds. Everyone is welcome.

Please note: Prayer and Praise will return this week on 3 January 2024, not as previously mentioned on 10 January.

Crib offerings are for Friends of the Holy Land – a charity which gives hope to support Christians in the Holy Land. Please be as generous as you can in these troubled times.

Our 200 club is an excellent way of supporting our parish as well as members having a good chance of winning. Most recently prizes of £200 and £50 were won. Please contact Sharon to sign up. You have to

*As your Christmas Offerings were your gift to the Priests,
Fr Sean, Fr Chris and Fr Noble all
Thank you for your Christmas Offerings
Which were gratefully received.
THANK YOU*

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.

Repository: Religious Cards and Gifts. Please support your church repository.

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: £451.00 **Loose:** £741.47 **Standing Orders:** £1033.57 **Total:** 2226.04

Thank You