

## **The Parish of St Austin and The English Martyrs, Wakefield**

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**3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Lent**



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### **Mass programme for the week 3 to 10 March**

| DAY        | FEAST                 | MASS                                      | LOCATION   | INTENTION   |
|------------|-----------------------|---|--|---|
| Sat 2 Mar  |                       | 6.15 pm                                   | St Austin  | Priest's Intention  |
| Sun 3 Mar  | Third Sunday of Lent  | 8.00 am<br>9.30 am<br>11.00 am<br>6.00 pm | St Austin<br>English Martyrs<br>St Austin<br>St Austin         | Priest's Intention<br>Peter Noble Intentions<br>Arthur Mmotoh<br>Pro Populo   |
| Mon 4 Mar  |                       | 9.30 am<br>9.30 am                        | St Austin<br>St Austin's School                                | Irene Loughlin RIP<br>November Dead List  |
| Tue 5 Mar  |                       | 11.30 am<br>6.30 pm                       | English Martyrs<br>St Austin                                   | Priest's Intention<br>Stuart Dronsfield RIP   |
| Wed 6 Mar  |                       | 9.30 am<br>9.45 am<br>10.30 am<br>1.20 am | St Austin<br>English Martyrs<br>English Martyrs<br>Crematorium | Aida D'Costa 1 <sup>st</sup> A<br>Stations of the Cross<br>O'Brien & Elley Families<br>Funeral Service – Elisa Holmes RIP |
| Thu 7 Mar  |                       | 12 noon<br>7.30 pm                        | St Austin<br>English Martyrs                                   | Arthur Day RIP<br>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  |
| Fri 8 Mar  |                       | 9.20 am<br>12 noon<br>7.00 pm             | Crematorium<br>St Austin<br>St Austin                          | Still Born baby funeral<br>John & Annie Dargan<br>Stations of the Cross and Benediction                                   |
| Sat 9 Mar  |                       | 9.30 am<br>6.15 pm                        | St Austin<br>St Austin   | Jenkinson Family Int<br>Mary Hood   |
| Sun 10 Mar | Fourth Sunday of Lent | 8.00 am<br>9.30 am<br>11.00 am<br>6.00 pm | St Austin<br>English Martyrs<br>St Austin<br>St Austin         | Pro Populo<br>Peter Cichocki RIP<br>Angelina Rosalejos RIP<br>Priest's Intention  |

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

**Wednesdav Word** is on the Parish web site and at [www.wednesdavword.org/parish/resource.htm](http://www.wednesdavword.org/parish/resource.htm)

**Novena:** The Novena dates for March 2024 are 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> March. All at the usual time of 7.00 pm. Everyone is welcome

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.*

| 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         |

**Film Club:** Our next film will be "Six Minutes to Midnight" released in 2020 which tells the story, based on fact, of a British finishing school for the daughters and goddaughters of the Nazi elite, in the late 1930s, just before the outbreak of the Second World War and is the story of what happens to them. We will show this film on Wednesday 6 March in the Parish Centre – doors open at 6.30 pm for a 7.00 pm start. No charge but donations welcome for St Austin's Refurbishment Fund. Everybody welcome.

**The Youth Club** will meet again on Friday 15 March from 6.00 to 8.00 pm in the Parish Centre. All ages welcome from 7 years upwards. Do come – make friends, play games and eat pizza! If you have not been before please pick up one of the white envelopes marked "Youth Club" in the narthex and complete the enclosed documents before you arrive. All very welcome – don't miss out!"

**Catholic Care's Annual Appeal** will take place across the weekend of 9 and 10 March. In 2023, in its 160 Anniversary Year, the Charity supported over 2,700 people in need. We would ask you to give as generously as you can to enable us to continue our work. If you would like to become a **Friend of Catholic Care** and receive regular updates on our work, please visit our website: Friends of Catholic Care – Catholic Care ([catholic-care.org.uk](http://catholic-care.org.uk)) Our bank details are: Catholic Care (Diocese of Leeds) 05-00-20; 11472611. If you are a UK tax payer and would like to Gift Aid your donation, please contact us for a Gift Aid form at [finance@catholic-care.org.uk](mailto:finance@catholic-care.org.uk). **Catholic Care** is seeking to recruit **New Trustees** to increase the breadth of knowledge and experience on its established Board of Trustees. Could you be part of a dedicated team delivering social action throughout the Diocese of Leeds through caring for and supporting adults, children and families who are disadvantaged, vulnerable and marginalised? More info here next week!

Calling all budding thespians. **St Austin's Players** are looking to recruit new adult members for their future productions. An opportunity to make new friends and be involved in the life of the parish. If you would be interested in appearing on stage or working behind the scenes or want more information please get in touch by email at [secretary@staustinsplayers.co.uk](mailto:secretary@staustinsplayers.co.uk). We would love to hear from you. We meet and rehearse in the parish centre, usually Tuesday and Thursday when preparing for a performance. Why not give it a go!

**Parish 200 Club:** Did you know, you can pay your subscription direct by Standing Order, please ring me on 07432 118132 for more details. I will be in the Narthex again this weekend, God willing. *Sharon.*

**St Austins Choir are looking to recruit new singers.** There is no formal audition and if you are interested in joining the choir you are welcome to come and rehearse with us at church on Sunday evenings at 7.45 pm. Come and join a friendly and welcoming choir!. For more information visit our website, email [info@staustinschoir.com](mailto:info@staustinschoir.com) or telephone 07909 092383. Alternatively please speak to any of the priests in the parish.

**Offertory Giving:** At this time of the year we ask all parishioners to review their Offertory giving. The parish faces increasing financial challenges and we rely on your support and generosity to keep us thriving. We have a number of ways in which parishioners can contribute, loose cash or offertory envelopes in the collection, Standing Orders or via the Dona electronic system in the Narthex. Where parishioners use envelopes or standing orders, we are able to claim Gift Aid to enhance their contributions. If you currently use offertory envelopes they will last up to and including the weekend of 31 March. We will be distributing new offertory envelopes from the weekend of 2/3 March for the coming financial year. If you would like to use envelopes, please contact Nial on [niallodonn@aol.com](mailto:niallodonn@aol.com) or Barbara on 01924 825070. As always, many thanks to all who contribute so generously.

**Leeds St Patrick's Day Parade** will take place on Sunday 17 March from 1.00 pm in Millennium Square; Launch night Saturday 9 March from 7.30 pm in the Irish Centre. All welcome. See poster in the narthex.

**A Catholic History of Wakefield.** Copies of this book are now available for sale direct via Amazon priced at £10 with all author royalties going to St Austin's Restoration Fund. Alternatively, you can order your copy by adding your name to the list in the Repository shop at the back of St Austin's church or by emailing [dpfgilroy@hotmail.com](mailto:dpfgilroy@hotmail.com).

**Repository:** We have repositories in both churches which sell a range of cards, booklets and religious and devotional artefact to aid personal prayer and help celebrate various sacramental and seasonal events.

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

#### Collections Last Weekend

**Envelopes:** £671.51      **Loose:** £672.47      **Standing Orders:** £933.69      **Total: 2277.67**

Second Collection for Catholic Care next weekend

**Thank You**