

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 17 to 24 March

DAY	FEAST	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 16 Mar		6.15 pm	St Austin	Geevarghese Philipose A
Sun 17 Mar	Fifth Sunday of Lent	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Austin St Austin	Priest's Intention Fr Noble Joseph – Ordination A – Thanksgiving Martyn & Katie Int Cyril Critchley RIP
Mon 18 Mar		9.30 am	St Austin	Irene Collin RIP
Tue 19 Mar	St Joseph Spouse of the BVM	11.30 am 6.30 pm	English Martyrs St Austin	Joseph Gerard Pearce RIP Stuart & Kathleen Bolton RIP
Wed 20 Mar		9.30 am 9.45 am 10.30 am	St Austin English Martyrs English Martyrs	Carole Spillane RIP Stations of the Cross School Mass – November Dead List
Thu 21 Mar		12 noon 7.30 pm	St Austin English Martyrs	Kevin Osborne Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Fri 22 Mar		12 noon 7.00 pm	St Austin St Austin	Bernard Smith RIP Stations of the Cross and Benediction
Sat 23 Mar		9.30 am 6.15 pm	St Austin St Austin	Jack Willis Mel Walker B'day Anniversary
Sun 24 Mar	Palm Sunday	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Austin St Austin	Pro Populo O'Brien & Elley Families Apolinario Rosalejos RIP Priest's Intention

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 date for March 2024 is 18th March 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.*

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

Easter Services in St Austin's Church

Maundy Thursday – Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00 pm with watching until midnight
Good Friday – The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord at 3.00 pm
Holy Saturday – Easter Vigil of the Resurrection of the Lord at 8.00 pm

St Vincent de Paul Parish Conference: Recruitment Appeal: Our Parish Conference of the SVP urgently needs to recruit new members to continue its charitable work in the service of tackling poverty and helping the disadvantaged and the vulnerable in our parish communities including visiting the housebound and care home residents. This weekend there will be an appeal at all Masses at which the work of the SVP will be outlined, how a parish conference functions and the role of SVP volunteers. A meeting has been arranged at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 19 March in St Austin's parish rooms to which all volunteers are invited.

Leeds Cathedral Lent Day of Reconciliation: Tuesday 19 March, 7.00 am to 7.00 pm. There will be priests available to hear confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day.

Men's Group: The next Men's Group Meeting will take place on Wednesday 20 March at 7.45 pm in English Martyrs Church Hall.

200 Club: Congratulations to our February winning numbers 189, Mary O'Connell (£200) and 236, Margaret Shaw (£50). To all our existing and new members, please remember the new year starts in April! There are different ways to make your £24 payment, including bank transfer. If you need any information or are looking to sign up as a new member please send me an email on sekatema@outlook.com. Thank you for supporting our Parish and good luck. *Sharon*

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? We would particularly welcome applicants with experience of property management. If you want to live your faith through action we would welcome an application from you. For more information and if you are interested please visit www.catholic-care.org.uk.

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. 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!

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 dpgilroy@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. **Easter Cards** are now in sale – great prices!

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.

Friends of the Holy Land would like to thank all parishioners for the collection of £115.94 for Christians in the Holy Land. Your donation will help us to support the most vulnerable at this very challenging time. Please continue to pray for the Holy Land and a peaceful resolution.

Collections Last Weekend

Envelopes: £528.00 **Loose:** £832.06 **Standing Orders:** £1016.96 **Total:** 2377.02

There will be a retiring collection this weekend for Easter Flowers

Thank You