

The Parish of St Austin and The English Martyrs, Wakefield

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20th Week in Ordinary Time

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Mass programme for the week 17 August to 25 August 2024

DAY	FEAST	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 17 August		6.15 pm	St Austin	Daniel Waring – B'day Anniv
Sun 18 August	20 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00 am	St Austin	Margaret North RIP
		9.30 am	English Martyrs	Christopher Rowsell (Sick) & Family
		11.00 am	St Austin	Priest's Intention
		6.00 pm	St Austin	Priest's Intention
Mon 19 August		9.30 am 11.30am	St Austin St Austin	Rebecca Smith – Sick Funeral Service – Kathleen Jackson RIP
Tue 20 August	St Bernard, Abbot	11.30 am 6.30 pm	English Martyrs St Austin	Peter Cichocki RIP Birthday Anniversary
Wed 21 August	St Pius X, Pope	9.30 am 10.30 am	St Austin English Martyrs	Patrick Hoban November Dead List
Thu 22 August	Our Lady, Mother and Queen	12 noon	St Austin	Margaret North RIP
		7.30 pm	English Martyrs	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Fri 23 August		12 noon	St Austin	James Harrison
Sat 24 August	St Bartholomew, Apostle	9.30 am	St Austin	Anne Lowrie – 80 th Birthday
		6.15pm	St Austin	Peggy Hamilton RIP
Sun 25 August	21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00 am	St Austin	Priest's Intention
		9.30 am	English Martyrs	Pro Populo
		11.00 am	St Austin	Connie Fozzard B'day Anniv.
		6.00 pm	St Austin	Michael Giblin RIP

Confessions: Saturday 10.00 to 11.00 am and 5.15 to 5.45 pm

Wednesday Word is on the Parish web site and at www.wednesdayword.org/parish/resource.htm

Novena: Forthcoming dates are 19th August, 2nd, 16th and 30th September. All start at 7pm and all are welcome to this service of prayer and peace.

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 between 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.

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

The History of St Austin's Church – following a fascinating presentation by Dominic Gilroy on the early years of the establishment of the Catholic Church in Wakefield in the Parish Centre on 27 June, a book is now for sale entitled "A History of St Austin's Church, Wakefield 1828-1931 originally written and dedicated to Dennis McKniff but now updated by Dominic to include further interesting research. This is on sale in the Repository price £10 and all profits will be donated to St Austin's Bicentennial Restoration Fund.

Fr Christopher Butler: We look forward to welcoming Fr Chris back for a celebration and presentation in the autumn. It is still possible to take and return the blue envelopes if you wish to contribute to the collection for Fr Chris' presentation.

Parish Residential Retreat: Once again we have the opportunity for a parish residential retreat at The Briery in Ilkley (www.briery.org.uk) We are offered prayer, peace, friendship and food. From teatime on Friday 20th September, leaving after lunch on Sunday 22nd September. All rooms en suite and all meals included. £180. Please let Deacon Bernard know if you are interested on 07858257839 or bernard.martin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk.

Sacramental preparation 2024/25: Children should make their first Confession in year 3, First Holy Communion in year 4 and Confirmation in year 6. Children need to have made their first Confession before they can prepare for First Holy Communion. There will be meetings for parents as follows: for first Confession on Tuesday 10th September, for Confirmation on Thursday 12th September, and for first Holy Communion on Tuesday 3rd December, all at 7pm in St Austin's Parish Centre. Attendance is essential. Details of the preparation will be given at the meetings. First confession will be celebrated in December, Confirmation in early 2025, and First Holy Communion after Easter 2025.

If you are interested in helping with any of the Sacramental Preparation courses, please speak to Fr Sean or Beccy or Cindy Hamill.

Alpha Course: This will run on Monday evenings at English Martyrs, beginning on 9th September. Details to follow.

New Lectionaries: From the First Sunday of Advent, the translation of Scripture used at Mass will change throughout the country. I am grateful to the generous benefactors who have offered to pay for the new liturgical books. Fr Sean will contact them in due course about payment and dedications.

Message from John North: Grateful thanks to everyone who offered condolences to my family, or sent cards, and especially Mass cards, for Margaret. You will be remembered in our prayers.

Guitar Lessons: Learn to play the Guitar the Ensemble Way. Learn to read music and play the classical guitar in a group. Adult beginners – never played before – here is your opportunity. In the parish rooms at St Austin's on Tuesday evenings, 6.30 – 8.30pm. Starting September 10th 2024. Further information from Kevin Bolton on 07963045199

Little Sister of the Poor: Sheena Lodge, mother of Fr Simon Lodge, who suffered a stroke last year, is walking the last leg of the ancient Camino Santiago de Compostela in September and is seeking sponsorship. All proceeds will go directly to The Little Sisters of the Poor to aid in their redevelopment plans. Donations can be made at: <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/LittleSistersOfThePoorLeeds>

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.

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

Envelopes: £461.70 **Loose:** £720.43 **Standing Orders:** £1,014 **Total: £2,196.13**
Thank you!