

THE PARISH OF ST AUSTIN AND THE ENGLISH MARTYRS, WAKEFIELD

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30th Week in Ordinary Time

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Mass Programme for the Week 26 October to 3 November 2024

DAY	FEAST	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 26 October		6.15 pm	St Austin	Lionel (Leo) Osmund – B'day Anniv
Sun 27 October	30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 5.00 pm 6.00 pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Austin St Austin St Austin	Pro Populo Norman Hazell – 2nd Anniv. November Dead List Rosary & Benediction Priest's Intention
Mon 28 October	Ss Simon & Jude, Apostles	9.30 am	St Austin	Pauline Ramsden
Tue 29 October		11.30 am 11.30 am 6.30 pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Austin	Funeral Service – Eileen Thomas RIP Eucharistic Service God's Favour, Protection & Healing for Esere
Wed 30 October	Fr Chris' Presentation	6.30 pm	St Austin	Priest's Intention
Thu 31 October		12 noon 7.30 pm	St Austin English Martyrs	Rebecca Smithson Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Fri 1 November	All Saints – Holy Day of Obligation	9.30 am 12 noon 7.00 pm	English Martyrs St Austin St Austin	November Dead List Priest's Intention Solemn Mass - Pro Populo
Sat 2 November	All Souls – Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed	9.30 am 12 noon 6.15pm	English Martyrs St Austin St Austin	Anne Lowrie RIP Solemn Mass – All Holy Souls Reparation to Immaculate Heart
Sun 3 November	31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Austin St Austin	Priest's Intention Neil Duffy RIP Ejakpovi's Family Priest's Intention

Confessions: Usually Saturday 10.00 to 11.00 am and 5.15 to 5.45 pm. **This week 11.00am to 12.00noon**

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

Novena: Forthcoming dates are 28th October, 11th & 25th November, 9th & 23rd December. 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. **Not this month due to All Souls Day.**

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

All Saints and All Souls: All Saints Day is on Friday. It is a Holy Day of Obligation which means that we must attend Mass on that day just like on a Sunday. Mass times are on the other side of the bulletin.

Saturday is All Souls Day – the Commemoration of all the Faithful departed. Please note the different Saturday morning timetable – Confessions and Mass at St Austin's will be later, there will be an extra Mass at English Martyrs and the usual First Saturday devotions will not take place. The normal Saturday evening Mass will be the vigil Mass of Sunday as usual.

November Dead List: Envelopes are now available for the November Dead List. Please write the names of those you wish to be remembered at November Dead List Masses throughout the year ahead and enclose them in the envelope together with your offering. They can be returned to the priest or the presbytery.

Blessing of Graves: Fr Sean will be at Wakefield Cemetery (Sugar Lane, New Side) for the annual blessing of graves on Sunday 3rd November, 2:30pm. All welcome

St Austin's Players: Tickets are now on sale for our latest production, Last Tango in Little Grimley and Last Panto in Little Grimley, two one-act comedies by David Tristram. 21st, 22nd and 23rd November in St Austin's Theatre. Tickets are £10 and are available by ringing Irene on 07790481061, visiting our website: www.staustinsplayers.co.uk, filling in a flier or scanning the QR code on the poster or flier. Doors open at 7pm for at 7:30pm start.

Repositories: New stock has been ordered for the repository at St Austin's, including Christmas cards which will be on sale shortly. The repository at English Martyrs is also open after Sunday Mass each week. Please support the parish in this way.

Fr Chris Butler: Fr Chris will be returning for his postponed farewell Mass and presentation on **Wednesday 30th October**. Mass at St Austin's at 6.30pm followed by buffet. All welcome! No Prayer and Praise at English Martyrs this week.

Parish Centre: The Parish Centre at St Austin's will be closed on the weekend of Saturday and Sunday 26th and 27th October when we are pleased to welcome back Astar Dance School for their Autumn Dance School competitions.

The Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme has been essential to funding the repairs and improvements of listed churches for many years and St Austin's is, of course, a listed building. The Scheme allows for the recovery of VAT on these important projects. The Scheme is reviewed annually as part of the Government's Budget process and is to be reviewed in March 2025. If the Scheme is not renewed, this will have a considerable financial impact on the viability of any listed church projects - and we of course are planning repairs and renovations to mark the Bicentennial of St Austin's in 2028. It is vital that we communicate to the Government the importance of this Scheme. The Bishops' Conference Patrimony Committee have set up an e-campaign so that people can easily send a (pre-written) letter to their local MPs in support of continuing the Scheme. There is very little time to mobilise this before the Budget on 30 October 2024. We are asking as many parishioners as possible to send letters to their MP. The link below will automatically populate your MPs details based on your postcode. Parishioners can choose to use generic text in the link or they can easily personalise the letter. <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/listed-places-of-worship-grant-scheme/>

200 Club: We are pleased to announce that through your support and paying your membership the 200 Club was able to donate **£1056 to the Parish Development Fund in 2023**. Thank you all. Please may I make a plea to existing members - there are quite still a few more who are yet to pay for 2024. Please email me on sekatema@outlook.com or text on 07432118132. **Congratulations to our October winners £200 Marc Auty (232) and £50 Michael Starford (117)** As always thank you for supporting our Parish. Sharon

Sacramental preparation 2024/25: There will be a meeting for parents of children in year 4 (or older) who are to make their first Holy Communion next spring in St Austin's Parish Centre on Tuesday 3rd December, 7pm. Your child must have already made their first Confession to be enrolled on this course. Details of the course will be shared at this meeting. Attendance is essential.

Food Collection: Thank you to everyone who brought non-perishable food and toiletries to Mass last week. They will be sent on to the Council to help those struggling with the basic necessities of life. Please do keep bring donations.

African & Caribbean Mass & Healing Service: Leeds Cathedral, Sunday 27th October 2024. 1:00pm: Healing Service, Exposition and Rosary; 1.30pm: Holy Mass. There will be reception after mass at wheeler hall.

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.

Envelopes: £446.74 Loose: £855.36 Standing Orders: £1,116.11 Total: £2418.21
Thank you!

