

THE PARISH OF ST AUSTIN & THE ENGLISH MARTYRS, WAKEFIELD

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Mass Programme for the Week 28 June – 6 July 2025

DAY	FEAST	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 28 June		6.15pm	St Austin	Frank & Elsie Doggett
Sun 29 June	St Peter & St Paul	8.00 am	St Austin	Terry O'Halloran RIP
		9.30 am	English Martyrs	Pro Populo
		11.00 am	St Austin	Brenda Auty RIP
		6.00 pm	St Austin	Neil Wilkinson RIP
Mon 30 June		1.00 pm	St Austin	Requiem Mass – David Willis RIP
Tue 1 July	St Oliver Plunkett	11.30 am 6.30 pm	English Martyrs St Austin	Gerald Reagan & Rebecca Connolly RIP Kathleen Bolton
Wed 2 July		10.30 am	English Martyrs	November Dead List
Thu 3 July	St Thomas	12 noon 12.15 pm	St Austin St Ignatius	Peter Hepworth - Anniversary Requiem Mass – Brenda Auty RIP
Fri 4 July		12 noon	St Austin	Priest's Intention
Sat 5 July		9.30 am 6.15 pm	St Austin St Austin	Pagdanganan Family Thanksgiving Winne Bryan – Birthday Anniversary
Sun 6 July	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00 am	St Austin	Priest's Intention
		9.30 am	English Martyrs	Priest's Intention
		11.00 am	St Austin	Mary Njenga – 70th Birthday
		6.00 pm	St Austin	Priest's Intention

PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO MORNING MASS ON MONDAY DUE TO THE REQUIEM FOR DAVID WILLIS RIP. THERE IS ALSO NO MORNING MASS AT ST AUSTIN'S ON WEDNESDAY.

Confessions: Saturday 10:00 to 11:00am and 5.15 to 6.15pm at St Austin's.

Novena: 2025 dates are: 7th & 21st July, 4th & 18th Aug and 1st, 15th & 29th Sept. All start at 7pm, everyone welcome.

Thank you to everyone who made the Mass to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the laying of the foundation stone such a success. It was marvellous to see so many of our former Priest's with us for the occasion and we especially remember in our prayers those who couldn't attend due to ill health.

Brenda Auty RIP: As many will already know Brenda passed away recently. Despite being a St Austin's Parishioner for most of her life, Brenda grew up in Ossett, went to St Ignatius school and was married at St Ignatius church. Her Requiem Mass will be at St Ignatius on Thursday 3rd as above and all who knew her are very welcome.

Mass Intentions: A polite reminder to ensure you send in any Mass intentions in plenty of time. Typically we need at least 2 weeks notice to try and ensure Mass for your intention is said on the day you ask. Please be aware that only one Mass intention can typically be offered at each Mass, so if a date/time is already taken, the intention will have to be offered on alternative day. There is no limit to how early intentions are submitted so don't delay!

Please remember the sick of the Parish in your prayers, along with the families of those recently deceased.

Silence before Mass: Please ensure mobile phones are switched off and, as far as possible, observe a period of silence. This is a precious time for people to pray and prepare spiritually for the Holy Mass.

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

Mary's Meals is a charity feeding hungry children living in some of the world's poorest countries. They collect unwanted or leftover foreign currency and are asking for our help. If anyone has any foreign coins or notes after returning from holidays, please simply add to the collection plate (along with your normal offertory giving) on a Sunday. We can then send this off on a monthly basis. This is not a specific 2nd collection, unwanted currency can be added to the offertory collection on an ongoing basis.

Refurbishment: We recently met again with our appointed Heritage Architect, to discuss the plans for getting our church ready for the bicentenary in 2028. Clearly the church needs more than a simple lick of paint and plans are now being drawn up to restore the building to glory. It goes without saying that we need a whole new sound system and much better lighting as a starting point. Once plans are in place, these will be shared so that we can start a fund raising drive in earnest as the final cost will be several hundred thousand pounds.

Charitable Donations: Thanks to everyone who has started making donations again to help those less fortunate than ourselves. The large black box in the Narthex is available for donations of non-perishable items etc.

Clergy Moves: We offer prayers for our newly ordained curate as he starts his life of ministry. Fr Philip Thornley was ordained this weekend by Bishop Marcus and will take up his new appointment with us at some point soon. We of course continue to remember Fr Jude in our prayers as he prepares to take up his position as Parochial Administrator at the Parish of St Margaret Clitheroe in Leeds.

Summer Fair: Our friends at St Ignatius invite us to join them at their Summer Fair on Sunday 6th July held on the adjacent school grounds. This will be held after the 10am Mass and run through the afternoon until approx. 3pm. There will be live music, numerous stalls, licenced bar, raffles etc, along with children's games and a bouncy castle to keep the younger ones entertained. A wonderful family Parish event. All from St Austin's and English Martyrs will be very welcome for a fun filled family afternoon.

Film Club will next meet on Wednesday 2nd July in the Parish Rooms. Details of the film are displayed in the narthex and the centre but if you require more details please join our WhatsApp group by texting 07963740575 and Anne will provide them. All very welcome. No charge but donations gratefully received for the Restoration Fund.

Our Catholic Primary Schools still have places available in Foundation Stage for September 2025 (and nursery for English Martyrs) and are asking our Parish community to spread the word among relatives, friends and neighbours. Our schools are welcoming, caring communities with so much to offer and are proud to be recognised as good schools where every child is valued and supported to thrive. If you know someone who might be interested, please encourage them to contact the school offices in the first instance. **To this end**, English Martyrs Primary are holding an open morning on Wednesday 2nd July from 10am to 12 noon. This relaxed and friendly session is open to children aged **2-4** and their parents or carers. It's a wonderful opportunity to explore their Nursery and Reception provision, meet the dedicated Early Years team, and experience the nurturing, values-led environment the school offers.

Castlerigg Manor is a Catholic residential youth centre in the Lake District run by the Diocese of Lancaster. It is opening its doors to families and social groups this August. There are single rooms, twin rooms, and large family rooms all ensuite at very cheap rates which include breakfast and an evening meal. Guests have access to the grounds, chapel, games room, and lounges, with Keswick and Derwentwater only a short walk away. A great base for the Lake District. For more information please visit www.castleriggmanor.com/open

200 Club: For anyone still considering joining, forms are available at the back of church and can be posted through the presbytery door, along with payments (either cash or cheques) in an envelope marked "200 Club". Payments can also be made online by bank transfer direct to the 200 Club account. More details from Sharon on sekatema@outlook.com.

Bulletins: Items for the Bulletin can be emailed to office.staustin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or posted through the Presbytery door, before lunch time on a Thursday. Thank you.

Offerings & Donations: We recognise the financial challenges that everyone faces but the Parish relies on your continued support and generosity to keep us thriving and indeed growing. Parishioners can also donate direct to the Parish at Sort Code 40-27-15 account number 51018566 account name Diocese of Leeds St Austins. **As a reference, please use "Offering" or "Restoration"**. Where possible we also encourage Parishioners to use envelopes or standing orders to help us maximise offerings as we can, in many cases, claim Gift Aid tax relief at no additional expense to the donor. For information about Gift Aid please contact Niall O'Donnell (niallodonn@aol.com) for assistance.

2nd Collection will this week be for Peter's Pence.

Appeal: Could the parishioners who currently use Offertory Envelopes No 23 & 59 please contact Niall as soon as possible as we need to update our records (niallodonn@aol.com /07845008805). Thank you.

Envelopes: £518.00	Loose: £729.76	Standing Orders: £1165.80	Total: £2413.56
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