

THE PARISH OF ST AUSTIN & THE ENGLISH MARTYRS, WAKEFIELD

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

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Mass Programme for the Week 24 August – 31 August 2025

DAY	FEAST	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Sat 23 August		6.15pm	St Austin	George Wade RIP
Sun 24 August	21st 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 November Dead List November Dead List Priest's Intention
Mon 25 August		12 noon	St Austin	Connie Fozzard – Birthday Anniversary
Tue 26 August	Bl Dominic Barberi	11.30 am 6.30 pm	English Martyrs St Austin	Eucharistic Service November Dead List
Wed 27 August	St Monica	9.45 am 10.30 am	St Austin English Martyrs	Funeral Mass – Kevin Armitage RIP November Dead List
Thu 28 August	St Augustine	12 noon	St Austin	Doherty Family Intentions
Fri 29 August	The Passion of St John the Baptist	11.00 am 12 noon	St Austin St Austin	November Dead List Funeral service – Robert Lockwood RIP
Sat 30 August	Ss Margaret Clitheroe, Anne Line & Margaret Ward	9.30 am 1.00 pm 6.15 pm	St Austin St Austin St Austin	Markken Olop RIP Nuptial Mass – Scott Sykes & Witoria Pytel Baby Pearson
Sun 31 August	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Austin St Austin	November Dead List Priest's Intention Adeyemi Mutshafau Jaiyeola RIP Priest's Intention

PLEASE NOTE THERE ARE NUMEROUS CHANGES TO MASS TIMES THIS COMING WEEK.

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

Novena: 2025 dates are: 1st, 15th & 29th Sept. All start at 7pm, everyone 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. **The Saturday evening Mass is by far the most popular for intentions and there is already a very long waiting list. Please consider intentions for alternative Masses where possible.** 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
Thursday Club, Parents & Toddlers and Singing for Pleasure are now all on their Summer break. All groups return on 4 th September			
Mary's Meals: Unwanted foreign currency can be added to the offertory collection on an ongoing basis. More details on the work of this worthy charity are on the poster in the Narthex at St Austin's.			
Walsingham: The Annual Leeds Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place this year on Saturday 27 th September. Starting at 12 noon with the Angelus and the celebration of Holy Mass, 2:30pm Solemn Procession into the village of Walsingham, 3.30pm Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the grounds of the Ancient Shrine. Bring a picnic lunch!			
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.			
Getting to know you at English Martyrs Centre from 7 pm on Thursday 18 th September. An opportunity to share an evening together with 'bring and share', a brief 'faith journey story' from a parishioner and some low key sharing together. Open to all. Come and see.			
Mass for the sick will be celebrated at St Ignatius on Friday 26 th September at 10:30am with refreshments in the Parish Centre afterwards. Please make every effort to assist sick or housebound friends and relative to get to Mass on this occasion.			
Film Club: Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 3 rd September when we shall the classic 1960 film "To kill a mockingbird" based on the book by Harper Lee and starring Gregory Peck. The parish centre doors will open at 6:30pm for a 7pm start. This time we will have a more unusual start to the evening! The date marks the start of the 2 nd world war and one of our oldest parishioners, Catherine Barber will share with us her memories of hearing this announcement as a young girl in Manchester. This is an opportunity to hear a first hand account of the historic date. No charge but donations welcome for St Austin's refurbishment fund. All welcome.			
Jubilate Singers are hosting a Summer concert at St Ignatius Parish Centre on Friday 29 th August at 7pm with a programme featuring both popular and show tunes. All are welcome. More details on the poster at the back of St Austin's. Tickets available on the door			
Children's Sacramental Preparation will start after the school Summer holidays. There will be a parent meeting for children Year 3 and above for First Confession on Tuesday 9 th September 7pm, a parent meeting for children Year 6 and above for Confirmation on Thursday 11 th September 7pm. The parent meeting for children Year 4 and above for First Holy communion will be in December with an exact date to be confirmed. Any child wanting to receive their First Holy Communion must have made their First Confession before they can come on the course. If you have any questions please contact Beccy at catechist.staustin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk if you have questions.			
Fr Jude: After a very healthy collection, we will be sending a generous gift to Fr Jude this week to thank him for his time with us over the last year.			
200 Club: There is still time to join! 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 .			
Parish Website: This is currently undergoing a major redesign and should be ready later in the Summer and, once launched, will include a link to the new Parish Census. Could a member from each Parish group get in touch with Marc in the office so we ensure that we have the correct details. Now is the time to review the current website entries and take the opportunity to refresh and update the text, so that we ensure everyone knows what is going on in the Parish and more importantly how they can get involved.			
Missals: After a number of delays, we understand that daily missals will be in stock from the end of September. These will be priced at £62.99 and can now be "pre-ordered" via the Catholic Truth Society. If anyone would like us to order one for them, please let Marc know in the Parish office. Sunday Missals have been available for a while now, again via Catholic Truth Society and priced at £19.95. Again, if anyone would like us to order one, let Marc know.			
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.			
Envelopes: £523.03 Loose: £734.41 Standing Orders: £1165.80 Total: £2423.24 Thank You!			