

THE PARISHES OF ST AUSTIN & THE ENGLISH MARTYRS, WAKEFIELD AND ST IGNATIUS, OSSETT



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Mass Programme for the week 16 – 23 November 2025

DAY	FEAST	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Saturday 15 November		9:30am 5:30pm 6:15pm	St Austin St Ignatius St Austin	Elizabeth Whitworth RIP Joan Murphy RIP Kath Kozak Intentions
Sunday 16 November	33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:00am 9:30am 10:00am 11:00am 6:00pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Ignatius St Austin St Austin	Priest's Intention November Dead List Eileen Goodwin RIP Ned Harty RIP Priest's Intention
Monday 17 November	St Hilda	9:45am	St Austin	John Francis RIP
Tuesday 18 November	Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter and St Paul	10:00am 11:15am 6:30pm	St Ignatius English Martyrs St Austin	November Dead List Funeral Mass – Doreen Mincher Kateryna & Peter Spiwak - Anniversary
Wednesday 19 November		9:30am 10:30am	St Austin English Martyrs	November Dead List O'Brien & Elley Families
Thursday 20 November		12 noon	St Austin	Michael Donoghue - Anniversary
Friday 21 November	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	10:30am 12 noon	St Ignatius St Austin	Norreen Dilcock RIP November Dead List
Saturday 22 November	St Cecilia	9:30am 5:30pm 6:15pm	St Austin St Ignatius St Austin	Mary & Greg Turton – Golden Wedding November Dead List James Peat – 40 th Birthday
Sunday 23 November	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	8:00am 9:30am 10:00am 11:00am 6:00pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Ignatius St Austin St Austin	November Ddead List Pro Populo Michael & Sheila Gibson – Anniversaries Peter A Misko RIP Priest's Intention

Please note changes to Mass times this week – all shown in bold print

We welcome our children from Upper Keystage 2 at St Austin's school on Monday to Mass for the Feast of St Hilda of Whitby. Please note the slight change to Mass time to allow them the opportunity to walk from school safely. Exposition will still take place prior to Mass as normal.

REGULAR DEVOTIONS

Confessions	St Austin's St Ignatius English Martyrs	Saturday 10:00am to 11:00am & 5:15pm to 5:45pm Saturday 4:30pm to 5:30pm Before Sunday morning Mass.
Exposition	All churches English Martyrs	30 minutes before weekday Mass Thursday 7:30pm
Novena	St Austin's	Monday 7pm on 24 th November and 8 th & 22 nd December.
Rosary	English Martyrs St Austin's	Sunday 9am Friday 12:30pm

PARISH GROUPS AND CONFRATERNITIES (meet weekly unless stated otherwise)

DAY	GROUP	CHURCH CENTRE	TIME	CONTACT
Monday	Union of Catholic Mothers	St Ignatius	7:30pm	Christine Woodhouse
Monday (fortnightly)	Society of St Vincent de Paul	St Ignatius	6:00pm	John Sheerin
Monday (fortnightly)	Natter Matters	English Martyrs	6:30pm	Mary Matthews
Wednesday	Keep fit	St Austin	2:00pm	Debbie
Wednesday	Prayer & Praise	English Martyrs	6:30pm	Mary Matthews
Thursday	Parents & toddlers	St Austin	9:30am	Michelle Watson
Thursday	Parents & toddlers	St Ignatius	10:00am	Francesca Holmes
Thursday	Thursday club	St Austin	12:30pm	Josephine Dargan
Thursday	Singing for pleasure	St Austin	1:30pm	Eileen Worton

PARISH NOTICES

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!

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 posters in the church entrances.

Charitable Donations: Thanks to everyone at St Austin's 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.

Hospital Visits: It is important to let one of the Priests (or Marc in the office) know if a relative is admitted to hospital and would like a visit or to receive Holy Communion

Piety Shops/Repositories are available at all churches, with the addition of a religious library at English Martyrs. Christmas Cards are now in stock, along with a huge range of religious gifts, cards, candles and much more. Please take the time to stop after Mass and take a look at what is available.

Sacraments: A meeting for adults who wish to become Catholics **AND ALSO** for those adults who wish to be confirmed and make their First Holy Communion will take place on Tuesday 18th November at 7:15pm (after evening Mass). This will be an initial meeting when we will discuss arrangements for preparation for these sacraments. All are welcome, including those who would like to journey alongside those preparing to receive these sacraments.

Praise Hour: To celebrate the Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Christ the King) there will be an hour of praise at English Martyrs Church starting at 3pm on November 23rd. All welcome.

Christmas Fair: This will be held in the St Ignatius Parish Centre on Sunday 30th November, the 1st Sunday of Advent. There will be a variety of stalls selling crafts, local produce, Christmas cards and gifts etc along with various family friendly games, refreshments and a licenced bar. This is an important fund raiser and a great social event in the run up to Christmas. **Donations are requested this week for the cake stall.** A request for willing bakers to don their aprons and tantalise our taste buds! Donations of cakes, buns, scones, biscuits etc to be brought to church on the morning of the fair please. There will be a different appeal next week so watch this space!

November Dead List: The list of names of those for whom Mass will be offered during the year is now on display at both St Austin's and St Ignatius'. Envelopes for offerings for remembering deceased friends and relatives are still available at the back of all churches. Envelopes can be added to the offertory collection, handed to one of the priests or put through the Presbytery letterbox.

Missio: For those at St Ignatius with a red Mission Box, the 2026 calendars have arrived and are at the back of church for you to collect. The National Director of Missio has also sent heartfelt thanks to all those who still collect and contribute.

Quiz Night! St Austin's Players are presenting an Autumn Quiz on Friday 21st November in St Austin's Theatre, together with a performance by the Wrenthorpe Ukulele Players. Tickets are £12 and include a pie and peas supper which must be pre ordered. Doors open at 7pm and there will be a cash only bar. The quiz will begin at 7.30pm. To book your place ring Joanna on 07740679963. Come along and test your knowledge. Teams of up to 4 people. A great social evening is guaranteed.

St Austin's Primary School will be holding an open day (with tour of the school) for parents with children due to start school in September 2026. This will be on Thursday 27th November at 1pm and again at 1:30pm.

Priestly Vocations: Time for prayers, questions, input from a priest and social time. There are two groups meeting simultaneously; under 18s and over 18s. Fridays 6.30pm-8.15pm: 19th December (Venue TBC).

Under 18 participants must complete and return a permission form prior to attending. For permission forms and to notify of attendance (all participants) please contact Vocations Promoter, Fr Simon Lodge at vocations@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

St Ignatius Christmas Raffle: Tickets are still available with the draw to take place after Mass on Sunday 14th December in the Parish Centre. Donations of prizes will be much appreciated, please contact either Colin Hirst or Eileen Lewis.

Men's Group: The next meeting will take place at English Martyrs Parish Hall on Wednesday November 19th 7.45pm for 8.00pm. All are welcome.

Legion of Mary: We have had a request from the Diocese to see if there would be any interest in setting up a local praesidium (branch) in either Parish (or a combined one?). There used to be a Legion of Mary presence in St Austin's but over 20 years ago. Full guidance is offered by our Diocesan contact and an informal talk can be arranged if there is sufficient interest from both men and/or women. A weekly commitment to a meeting with prayers and the rosary, coupled with work such as visiting the sick or housebound, cleaning the church etc, which many of our Parishioners already do. Please let Marc know in the office if you would be interested to learn more, without any commitment at this stage.

Lourdes Pilgrimage Volunteers: Have you ever thought of going on the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes, volunteering as a nurse or as part of the hospitality team but want to know more? Then you are invited to an information evening about the roles and pilgrimage at Hinsley Hall, Monday 1st December at 7pm. For more information, please email Phil Marshall on lourdes.enquires@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or call 07766 148375. To register interest please email recruitment.lourdes@dioceseofleeds.org.uk, or simply turn up on the evening.

Remembrance Day: It was wonderful to see the Parishioners of St Ignatius support the school children by accompanying them at the cenotaph in Ossett for the remembrance service on Armistice Day. This support is much appreciated by both

The Holy Land Group: Nicholas, a missionary from Bethlehem will visit St Austin's this weekend to briefly talk at all Masses about the Holy Land and sell religious articles made out of Olive Wood. A large stall will be set up in the Narthex. This helps and supports the poor Christian families in the Holy Land. Any help you could give to them it will be highly appreciated ("when you help the poor you help our Lord"). Please remember to bring cash for any purchases. A similar visit to English Martyrs and St Ignatius is being planned for next year as it was simply not possible to include all churches in one visit.

100/200 Club: There is always time to join! For **St Austin's and English Martyrs 200 Club**, forms are available at the back of both churches and can be left at St Austin's Presbytery, 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.

For the **St Ignatius 100 Club**, please contact Lynn Williams for more details, either at Mass or on ryecroftthouse@gmail.com

Thank you from Lidia to everyone at St Austin's who bought her handmade Christmas cards after Mass. Your support and generosity has raised £200 for the restoration fund. Thanks to Lidia for her time, effort and obvious skill in making the cards and to all who bought them.

Parish Websites: New websites designs are now complete and are now being populated with details of the Parishes, groups and activities etc. This is the last call for anyone to get in touch to ensure that your group is listed.

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

St. Austin's Historical Presentations: Many thanks to those who supported the "St Austin's in the Wars" presentation on Friday 7th November. Part of the display will remain on the wall in the parish centre until the end of November. You can also catch up with the presentation on YouTube (search "St Austin's in the wars"). Three books providing information about the parish and those who served during the two world wars can be purchased via the repository or through Amazon. **Next date for your diary is Thursday 15th January 2026 7:00-8:00pm** - Richard Atkinson will be our guest speaker on "The Yorkshire Saints". There will be a reminder nearer the time.

2nd Collection next week is for the Catholic Youth Service.

Offerings & Donations: We recognise the financial challenges that everyone faces but our Parishes rely on your continued support and generosity to keep us thriving and indeed growing. In addition to the Sunday Mass offertory collections, Parishioners can also donate direct to the Parish by bank transfer using:

St Austin & The English Martyrs Sort Code 40-27-15 account number 51018566 account name Diocese of Leeds St Austins Wakefield.

St Ignatius Sort Code 40-27-15 account number 31018116 account name Diocese of Leeds St Ignatius Ossett

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 at St Austin's or Michael Gara at St Ignatius for assistance. Alternatively, please email Marc our Parish Administrator for guidance.

In addition, there is a DONA machine at St Austin's to enable Parishioners to donate by card in this cashless society. At St Ignatius there is a QR code on the wall next to the Piety Shop which will allow direct card donations.

Collections this week:

	Gift Aid Envelopes	Loose	Standing Orders	Total
St Austin & The English Martyrs	£407.00	£783.73	£1165.80	£2356.53
St Ignatius	£204.25	£381.87	£333.85	£919.97

Thank you for your continued generosity

Please remember the sick of our Parishes in your prayers, along with the recently deceased, especially Doreen Mincher.

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

PARISH CENTRE BOOKINGS

St Austin & The English Martyrs – contact Marc on office.staustin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or 07714 944587 or

Paul Blackburn on paulblackburn@talktalk.net or 07963 740556

St Ignatius – contact Janet Shaw on twins4483@sky.com or 07596 359449

SAFEGUARDING

The Diocese of Leeds is committed to safeguarding as an integral part of the life and ministry of the Church. We affirm the One Church approach to safeguarding children, young people and adults, through the promotion of a sustained and sustainable culture of constant vigilance. More information at <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/safeguarding/>

Our Parish Safeguarding representatives are:

St Austin & The English Martyrs - Mrs Barbara Johnson, email psr.bjohnson@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

St Austin & The English Martyrs - Mrs Eileen Worton, email psr.eworton@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

St Ignatius - Mr Rob Barraclough, email psr.rbarraclough@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Entrance Antiphon

Jer 29: 11, 12, 14

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

Collect

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, the constant gladness of being devoted to you, for it is full and lasting happiness to serve with constancy the author of all that is good. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

First Reading

Malachi 4:1-2a

A reading from the Book of Malachi

Behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings.

The Word of The Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 98(97):5-6. 7-8a. 8b-9b. 9cd. R cf. 9

[R] The Lord comes to judge the peoples with fairness

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp,
with the harp and the sound of song.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn,
raise a shout before the King, the Lord. [R]

Let the sea and all within it thunder;
the world, and those who dwell in it.
Let the rivers clap their hands. [R]

The hills ring out their joy
at the presence of the Lord, for he comes.
He comes to judge the earth. [R]

He will judge the world with justice,
and the peoples with fairness. [R]

Second reading

2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

A reading from the Second Letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

Brothers and Sisters: You know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labour we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

The Word of The Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 21:28

Alleluia, alleluia. Straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. Alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 21:5-19

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

At that time: While some were speaking of the Temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, Jesus said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.' And they asked him, 'Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?' And he said, 'See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, "I am he!" and, "The time is at hand!" Do not go after them. And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. This will be your opportunity to bear witness. Settle it, therefore in your minds, not to meditate beforehand how to answer, for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and sisters, and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. You will be hated by all for my name's sake. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayer over the Offerings

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that what we offer in the sight of your majesty may obtain for us the grace of being devoted to you and gain us the prize of everlasting happiness.
Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Ps 72: 28

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

Prayer after Communion

We have partaken of the gifts of this sacred mystery, humbly imploring, O Lord, that what your Son commanded us to do in memory of him may bring us growth in charity.
Through Christ our Lord.