

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



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Mass Programme for the week 24 – 31 May 2026

DAY	FEAST	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Saturday 23 May		5:30pm 6:15pm	St Ignatius St Austin	Priest's Intention Jean McDonald RIP
Sunday 24 May	Pentecost Sunday	8:00am 9:30am 10:00am 11:00am 5:00pm 6:00pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Ignatius St Austin St Austin St Austin	Pro Populo Peter Cichocki RIP Andrew Mitchell RIP David Willis RIP Rosary & Benediction Priest's Intention
Monday 25 May	The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church	12 noon	St Austin	Richard Anthony Powell – Sick
Tuesday 26 May	St Philip Neri	10:00am 11:30pm 6:30pm	St Ignatius English Martyrs St Austin	Priest's Intention November Dead List Eamonn John Brooks RIP
Wednesday 27 May	St Augustine of Canterbury	10:30am 11:00am	English Martyrs St Austin	November Dead List Funeral Mass – Brian Ferguson RIP
Thursday 28 May	Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest	12 noon	St Austin	John Gilderdale - Anniversary
Friday 29 May		10:30am 12 noon	St Ignatius St Austin	Priest's Intention Patrick Hoban
Saturday 30 May	The Yorkshire Martyrs	9:30am 5:30pm 6:15pm	St Austin St Ignatius St Austin	Patricia Burns Pro Populo Nivia Andresco – Anniversary
Sunday 31 May	The Most Blessed Trinity	8:00am 9:30am 10:00am 11:00am 5:00pm 6:00pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Ignatius St Austin St Austin St Austin	Priest's Intention Phadraig Henry – Sick November Dead List John O'Malley – Intention Rosary & Benediction Priest's Intention

Please note any changes to the Mass schedule this week in bold above.

Prayer for Vocations: Our Lady of Unfailing Help! Pray that the Lord of the Harvest will send labourers into His harvest and that He will grant an abundance of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life within the Diocese of Leeds, and throughout the world. Amen.

REGULAR DEVOTIONS

Confessions	St Austin 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 – Saturday morning during confessions. Thursday 7:30pm
Novena	St Austin	Monday 7pm on 25 th May, 8 th & 22 nd June, 6 th & 20 th July
Rosary	English Martyrs St Austin's	Sunday 9am Friday 12:30pm
First Saturday Devotions	St Austin	First Saturday of the month following morning Mass.

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	Thursday club	St Austin	12:30pm	Josephine Dargan
Thursday	Singing for pleasure	St Austin	1:30pm	Eileen Worton

PARISH NOTICES

Rosary: The rosary will be prayed during exposition before all weekday Masses during the month of May. In addition the rosary will be prayed after Saturday morning Mass at St Austin's. There will be Rosary & Solemn Benediction each Sunday during May at St Austin's at 5pm.

Singing for Pleasure will be enjoying a half term break this week, returning the week after.

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

Email Security: There have been several instances of Parishioners receiving emails from a fake account purporting to be from Fr Sean. This has been reported to the Diocese. If anyone receives an unexpected email saying it is from Fr Sean (or any of the clergy) do not open it and report it to Marc in the Parish office.

First Holy Communion at St Ignatius: Preparation continues on Sunday 7th June.

Piety Shops/Repositories are available at all churches, with the addition of a religious library at English Martyrs. There is a huge range of religious gifts, cards, candles and much more. **First Holy Communion** cards and gifts are also available. Please do support them as they raise vital funds for the Parishes.

Catholic Family Holidays: Castlerigg Manor in Keswick (heart of the Lake District) is offering **budget-friendly** holidays for Catholic families during May, August, and early September. Breakfast and evening meal are included and there will be Mass on site. Guests have full use of the site including the grounds, games room, chapel, and lounges, and Castlerigg is just a short walk from Keswick and Lake Derwentwater. Ideal for individuals, couples, families, or groups of friends. Head to www.castleriggmanor.com or call 01768 772711.

First Holy Communion: We remember in our prayers the children from St Austin & The English Martyrs who have made their First Holy Communion over the last two weekends. We also give thanks to all those who have helped prepare them for this most sacred Sacrament. The choir from St Austin's school sang beautifully at both Masses.

School Spaces: Do you have family or friends with children due to start school in September? Our primary schools have limited availability and can offer a wonderful Catholic education fostering intellectual, social and emotional growth rooted in Catholic tradition. Please contact the schools directly (details on the front of the newsletter) for more information.

100/200 Club: For the 200 club we've had a good start to the financial year and are on track to donate £2000 to the Parish Funds. Thank you to everyone for your continued support. A gentle reminder if your pay via standing order, the subs are now £3 a month or £36 per year. More details from Sharon on sekatemala@outlook.com. Payments can also be given to Niall O'Donnell at Saturday evening Mass, Peter Gallivan at 8am or Marc Auty at 11am on Sundays.

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

Volunteer Gardener: Could you offer an hour or two per week to help tidy up the garden and small allotment at St Austin's school? The children in the afterschool club are enjoying growing rhubarb and strawberries etc but the area needs some attention. Contact Marc in the Parish office for more information.

Catholic Care Garden Party: Join us on Sunday 19th July 12.30pm at Catholic Care Head Office for our summer fundraiser! Enjoy live music from Voices of Yorkshire, a BBQ, games, raffles, cakes and more. Browse the clothes and book sale, try henna and relax with friends and family. Free entry and all proceeds support Catholic Care's vital work in the local community.

Save the Date: There will be a Parish BBQ held at St Ignatius on 12th June, the Feast of the Sacred Heart. More details to follow but it promises to be another great social occasion to which all are invited. There will be a list shortly so that numbers can be estimated for catering.

International & African Mass will be celebrated at St Austin's on Saturday June 6th at 12:30pm followed by a buffet and reception in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.

St Ignatius Summer Fayre will take place on Sunday 21st June following Mass. More details to follow.

Quiz Night: St Ignatius will be holding a Parish quiz night this Saturday 23rd May starting at 7pm. Bring your own drinks and snacks for what promises to be another great parish occasion. There is still time to take part. Prizes awarded on the night!

Former Presbyteries: Work has now begun on refurbishing the property at English Martyrs. The contractors are aware of Mass times and that access is required to the disabled entrance through the old sacristy. There will be a new path laid and a boundary fence erected to separate the church from the house. Parts of the old marble altar will be turned into an architectural feature alongside the new path. If anyone encounters any issues, please contact Marc in the Parish office.

Catholic Life of Charles Waterton: Thanks to everyone who supported the display and talk last Thursday 21st at St. Austin's. We were joined by members of the Friends of Waterton's Wall together with David and Elizabeth Waterton-Anderson for an enjoyable evening including tea and cake. The display will remain in the parish centre until Monday 25th. For those who are interested but could not attend a copy of the talk is now available on YouTube <https://youtu.be/EVupXLXAlt4>. A book on the topic is available from Amazon or from St. Austin's church repository stall.

Congratulations to the winners of the St Austin's 200 club. In April £200 goes to Ruth Boscolo with No 84 and £50 to Nicola Halloran with No 223. The May draw has just taken place and congratulations to Tanaka Katema who wins £200 with No 263 and Maria Willis who wins £50 with No 191. As always there is still time to join, renew or maybe take an extra number as this only boosts our funds in readiness for the St Austin 200 year anniversary.

Pentecost Praise: Sunday 24th May at English Martyrs Church at 3pm. Everyone welcome, come and celebrate Pentecost with prayers, songs and intercessions. Tea/coffee and cake afterwards plus a bring and share buffet to celebrate the birthday of the Church.

Concert: The Jubilate Singers will be hosting an evening concert on Friday 3rd July in the St Ignatius Parish Centre. The last 2 concerts were sold out with waiting lists for tickets, so don't delay once ticket sales are announced. Save the date for now and details of tickets will be released very soon.

Recruitment: Blessed Chiara Badano Catholic Education Trust (BCBCET) seeks a Chief Executive Officer. The Diocese of Leeds invite applications for this position. Closing date: Monday 8th June. For an informal and confidential discussion, please contact Kieron Flood, education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk.

Offertory Envelopes are still available from all churches. If anyone would like to join the scheme, please contact Niall O'Donnell (niallodonn@aol.com) at St Austin's and Michael Gara (07710 025955) at St Ignatius.

Bulletins: Items for the Bulletin can be emailed to the addresses below, before lunch time on a Thursday. Thank you.

office.staustin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or office.stignatius@dioceseofleeds.org.uk.

Advance Notice: There will be a funeral Mass for **Isabelle Hughes** on Thursday 4 June at 12 noon

Offerings & Donations: 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	£498.00	£778.28	£1163.49	£2439.77
St Ignatius	£159.25	£341.89	£368.81	£869.95
Catholic Communications				£564.04

Thank you for your continued generosity

Please remember the sick of our Parishes in your prayers, along with the recently deceased, especially Irene de Tute.

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:

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

Pentecost Sunday (A)

Entrance Antiphon

Wis 1: 7

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

Collect

O God, who by the mystery of today's great feast sanctify your whole Church in every people and nation, pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit across the face of the earth and, with the divine grace that was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, fill now once more the hearts of believers. 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

Acts 2:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When the day of Pentecost arrived, the Apostles were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. And they were amazed and astonished, saying, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians — we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.'

The Word of The Lord

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 104(103):1ab, 24ac, 29b-30, 31, 34. *Rcf. 30*

[R] Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, O my soul!
O Lord my God, how great you are!
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your creatures. **[R]**

You take away their breath, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, and they are created,
and you renew the face of the earth. **[R]**

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I will rejoice in the Lord. **[R]**

Second reading

1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and Sisters: No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except in the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. For just as the body is one and has many

members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptised into one body — Jews or Greeks, slaves or free — and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

The Word of The Lord

Thanks be to God

Sequence (Veni Sancte Spiritus)

Holy Spirit, Lord of Light, from the clear celestial height thy pure beaming radiance give. Come, thou Father of the poor, come with treasures which endure; come, thou light of all that live! Thou, of all consolers best, thou, the soul's delightful guest, dost refreshing peace bestow. Thou in toil art comfort sweet; pleasant coolness in the heat; solace in the midst of woe. Light immortal, light divine, visit thou these hearts of thine, and our inmost being fill: if thou take thy grace away, nothing pure in man will; all his good is turned to ill. Heal our wounds, our strength renew; on our dryness pour thy dew; Wash the stains of guilt away: bend the stubborn heart and will; melt the frozen, warm the chill; guide the steps that go astray. Thou, on us who evermore thee confess and thee adore, with thy sevenfold gifts descend: give us comfort when we die, give us life with thee on high; give us joys that never end.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.

Gospel

John 20:19-23

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.' And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayer over the Offerings

Grant, we pray, O Lord, that, as promised by your Son, the Holy Spirit may reveal to us more abundantly the hidden mystery of this sacrifice and graciously lead us into all truth. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Acts 2:4, 11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

Prayer after Communion

O God, who bestow heavenly gifts upon your Church, safeguard, we pray, the grace you have given, that the gift of the Holy Spirit poured out upon her may retain all its force and that this spiritual food may gain her abundance of eternal redemption. Through Christ our Lord.