

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



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Mass Programme for the week 28 June – 5 July 2026

DAY	FEAST	MASS	LOCATION	INTENTION
Saturday 27 June		5:30pm 6:15pm	St Ignatius St Austin	Peggy Clarke RIP John Bartram – 10 th Anniversary
Sunday 28 June	St Peter & St Paul	8:00am 9:30am 10:00am 11:00am 6:00pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Ignatius St Austin St Austin	Pro Populo November Dead List Priest's Intention Fr Philip Thornley – Ordination Anniversary Alberto Pereira de Magalhães RIP
Monday 29 June		9:30am	St Austin	John Bartram – 10 th Anniversary
Tuesday 30 June	First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church	10:00am 11:30am 6:30pm	St Ignatius English Martyrs St Austin	Denis O'Grady RIP O'Brien & Elley Families Kathleen Bolton - Anniversary
Wednesday 1 July		9:30am 1:00pm	St Austin English Martyrs	John Dowd RIP Funeral Mass – Pat Brown RIP
Thursday 2 July		12 noon	St Austin	Irene de Tute RIP
Friday 3 July	St Thomas	10:30am	St Ignatius	Keane & Kovalenko Families – Health & Wellbeing NO MASS AT ST AUSTIN'S TODAY
Saturday 4 July		9:30am 5:30pm 6:15pm	St Austin St Ignatius St Austin	Reparation to Immaculate Heart of Mary Don Burnham David Jones – Anniversary
Sunday 5 July		8:00am 9:30am 10:00am 11:00am 6:00pm	St Austin English Martyrs St Ignatius St Austin St Austin	November Dead List David & Joan Helmsley – 65 th W Anniversary Thomas Gibson – Anniversary Pro Populo Priest's Intention

For the Feast of St Peter & St Paul, the following will be chanted at the end of the 11am Solemn Mass at St Austin's:

"Oremus pro Pontifice nostro Leone. Dominus conservet eum, et vivificet eum, et beatum faciat eum in terra, et non tradat eum in animam inimicorum ejus."

"Let us pray for our Pontiff Leo. May the Lord preserve him, and give him life, and make him blessed on earth, and not deliver him into the hands of his enemies."

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 6 th & 20 th July; 3 rd 17 th & 31 st August; 14 th & 28 th September.
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

Missio: Fr Emmanuel Mbhe visited the Prishes again last weekend and would like to pass on his thanks not only for the welcome received but also the generosity of the Parishioners. We must stress however, that for this to continue, we desperately need a volunteer to act as co-ordinator between St Austin's & English Martyrs and Missio. St Ignatius already has a volunteer. Please contact Marc in the Parish office if you can help.

Lourdes: We keep in our prayers all Parishioners, helpers, clergy and students from our secondary schools who travel to Lourdes later this week for the Diocesan Pilgrimage led by Bishop Marcus. We pray for their safe journey and for a wonderful and spiritual time whilst there.

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 and also now Fr Noble. This has been reported to the Diocese. If anyone receives an unexpected email saying it is from any of our clergy, do not open it and report it to Marc in the Parish office.

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. Please do support them as they raise vital funds for the Parishes.

Catholic Family Holidays: Casterlrig 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 Casterlrig is just a short walk from Keswick and Lake Derwentwater. Ideal for individuals, couples, families, or groups of friends. Head to www.casterlrigmanor.com or call 01768 772711.

Repairs: If anyone becomes aware of any issues in any of our churches or Parish centres, please let Marc in the office know so that he can add to the maintenance list. We have a few jobs in hand already in both English Martyrs and St Ignatius centres but better to be notified twice than not at all!

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 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 sekatema@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

Fountains Abbey: Holy Mass will be celebrated in this historic setting for the Feast of St Benedict on Tuesday 14th July. Whilst the Abbey is maintained by the National Trust, admission charges are waived for any Catholics attending Mass that day. Entry is via The Visitor's Centre where there is ample parking; a shuttle bus is available for those who find the walk too much. Disabled access is via the West Gate where all parking is reserved for the disabled. Special arrangements can be made for wheelchairs.

Parish Retreat. Calling all parishioners of St Austin's, St Ignatius and English Martyrs. Following the success of previous years, we are delighted to announce our Annual Parish Residential Retreat at The Briery, Ilkley, from 18th–20th September. In modern life, opportunities to step back, slow down and spend quality time with the Lord can be rare. This retreat offers a chance to deepen your relationship with Christ, enjoy the peace and beauty of the Yorkshire countryside, and spend time with fellow parishioners in a warm and welcoming atmosphere. The weekend includes Sunday Mass, prayer, inspirational input from the retreat team, opportunities for Confession, quiet reflection, friendship and conversation. Many who have attended previous retreats describe it as one of the most uplifting and spiritually rewarding weekends of their year. Suggested offering: £195 per person (includes two nights' accommodation and all meals). Confidential financial assistance and transport are available if required. Places are limited, so early booking is strongly recommended. For further information, confidential financial assistance or to reserve a place, please contact Marc in the Parish Office.

"Come away by yourselves to a quiet place and rest for a while." (Mark 6:31)

World Youth Day: The Diocese of Leeds Youth Service are excited to be offering this once in a lifetime opportunity for anyone aged 18-35 to go on pilgrimage to Seoul, South Korea for World Youth Day in August 2027 as part of a Northern Diocesan Partnership! For more information and to apply, please email: youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

New Publication: “Rats, Recusants, Royalty and Religion – the Catholic Life of Charles Waterton” written and researched by our parishioner, Dominic Gilroy, is now for sale in St Austin’s Repository at £10 per copy – all profits to St Austin’s Restoration Fund. In addition, Wakefield Local History have ordered 5 copies for sale to their members. Profits from the book have so far reached £270 and this amount has been transferred to the Restoration Fund account. Please do consider buying a copy to read about how this eminent environmentalist played a significant part in the establishment of our parish 200 years ago.

Former Presbyteries: If anyone encounters any issues during ongoing building works, please contact Marc in the Parish office.

Congratulations to the June winners of the St Austin’s & English Martyrs 200 Club. Nicola Halloran wins £200 with No 233 and Michael Porter wins £50 with No 218.

Film Club: Meets again on Wednesday 1 July in St Ausin’s Parish Centre. Details of the film are on posters displayed in all of our 3 churches. For details you can join our chat on 07963 740575 and Anne will respond. Doors open at 6.30 pm for a 7 pm start. No admission charges but donations welcome for St Austin’s Refurbishment Fund. All very welcome.

Parish Centres: Can all users please ensure that rooms are left in a tidy state when leaving please. Also, it is imperative to make sure that all lights are off, taps closed, doors locked etc before leaving. It is the responsibility of whoever booked the facility to have a walk round all areas, including toilets and kitchens before they lock up. This of course has been communicated to external users of our facilities too.

Conference and Events Co-ordinator: Hinsley Hall, are seeking to recruit a Conference and Events Co-ordinator to manage and respond to incoming enquiries for conferences, events, and group bookings. Convert enquiries into confirmed contracted business. Coordinate all confirmed bookings and hand them over to the operations team. Provide occasional reception cover during busy periods. Part-time role of 20hrs per week which may involve some evenings and weekends. Further details can be found at www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk or you can register your interest at recruitment@dioceseofleeds.org.uk. Closing date is Friday, 10 July 2026.

Thanks to everyone (especially the UCM) who helped make the St Ignatius “Summer Get-together” should a wonderful event last Sunday. Mouthwatering cakes helped to boost the funds donated to the Parish to over £570! A fantastic achievement and proof of the magnificent Parish community spirit.

Concert: The Jubilate Singers will be hosting an evening concert on Friday 3rd July in St Ignatius school starting at 7:30pm. The last 2 concerts were sold out with waiting lists for tickets and tickets are already selling fast. Please contact Rob Barraclough at St Ignatius or Marc in the Parish Office to secure your tickets. All profits to be shared between the church and the school.

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.

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	£502.03	£643.48	£1163.49	£2309.00
St Ignatius	£201.95	£292.05	£368.81	£862.81
Day for Life				£322.73

2nd collection **this week (28th June)** is for Peters Pence.

Thank you for your continued generosity

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

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.rbarracough@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

St Peter & St Paul (A)

Entrance Antiphon

These are the ones who, living in the flesh, planted the Church with their blood; they drank the chalice of the Lord and became the friends of God.

Collect

O God, who on the Solemnity of the Apostles Peter and Paul give us the noble and holy joy of this day, grant, we pray, that your Church may in all things follow the teaching of those through whom she received the beginnings of right religion. 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 12:1-11

A reading from the Acts of The Apostles

In those days: Herod the king laid violent hands on some who belonged to the church. He killed James the brother of John with the sword, and when he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread. And when he had seized him, he put him in prison, delivering him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring him out to the people. So Peter was kept in prison, but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the church. Now when Herod was about to bring him out, on that very night, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries before the door were guarding the prison. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood next to him, and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his hands. And the angel said to him, 'Dress yourself and put on your sandals.' And he did so. And he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.' And he went out and followed him. He did not know that what was being done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision. When they had passed the first and the second guard, they came to the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went out and went along one street, and immediately the angel left him. When Peter came to himself, he said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

The Word of The Lord

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 34(33):2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9. #5

[R] From all my terrors the Lord set me free.

I will bless the Lord at all times,
praise of him is always in my mouth.
In the Lord my soul shall make its boast;
the humble shall hear and be glad. **[R]**

Glorify the Lord with me;
together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord, and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free. **[R]**

Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This lowly one called; the Lord heard,
and rescued him from all his distress. **[R]**

The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who fear him, to rescue them.
Taste and see that the Lord is good.
Blessed the man who seeks refuge in him. **[R]**

Second reading

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy
Beloved: I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but also to all who have loved his appearing. The Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of The Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia. You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 16:13-19

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glorify to you, O Lord.

At that time: When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter replied, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayer over the Offerings

May the prayer of the Apostles, O Lord, accompany the sacrificial gift that we present to your name for consecration, and may their intercession make us devoted to you in celebration of the sacrifice. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Mt 16: 16, 18

Peter said to Jesus: You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus replied: You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.

Prayer after Communion

Grant us, O Lord, who have been renewed by this Sacrament, so to live in the Church, that, persevering in the breaking of the Bread and in the teaching of the Apostles, we may be one heart and one soul, made steadfast in your love. Through Christ our Lord.