

8<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
Fifth Sunday of  
Ordinary Time  
(Year A)

## Parishes of St Joseph, Pudsey & St William of York, Morley

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### MASSES & LITURGIES THIS WEEK:

Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Fifth Sunday of O.T.	6.30pm: Vigil Mass ( <i>Intention: The People of the Parishes</i> )
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Fifth Sunday of O.T.	9.00am: Mass ( <i>Intention: John McNulty -A</i> )
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	10.00am: Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion <i>No Mass or Liturgy today</i>
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	St Scholastica	10.00am: Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Our Lady of Lourdes	9.30am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	10.00am: Mass ( <i>Intention: Margaret Geldard - LD</i> )
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	10.00am: Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Sixth Sunday of O.T.	6.30pm: Vigil Mass ( <i>Intention: Philip Kevin Brooke - OM</i> )
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Sixth Sunday of O.T.	9.00am: Mass ( <i>Intention: Fergus O'Leary - LD</i> )

**CONFessions:** At request from Fr Peter after the Thursday 10am Mass. No confessions this Tuesday.

**OFFERTORY LAST SUNDAY:** Loose plate: £342.69; envelopes: £151.70; bank transfers: £981.00; **Total: £1475.39.** Sincere thanks for your generosity!

**ASH WEDNESDAY:** is on the **18<sup>th</sup> February**, and it's a Day of Fasting & Abstinence (no meat) for all who are in good health. The blessing with the ashes will take place at Mass in St Francis' at 7.00pm. There will be no Mass (or Liturgy) in the morning as this will be at St Joseph's in Pudsey at 9.30am.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** will be prayed at 7.00pm on the Fridays in Lent, beginning on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February.

**WHITE FLOWER APPEAL:** There will be a collection after next weekend's Masses (14/15 February) for the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) in their annual "White Flower Appeal." In the space of one week in June 2025, MPs voted to allow women to abort their baby up to birth for any reason, and to legalise assisted suicide. Please help to support SPUC's campaigns about uncomfortable but important issues like these. For more info see: [www.spuc.org.uk](http://www.spuc.org.uk)

**PAX CHRISTI ASH WEDNESDAY PRAYERS:** For the second-year running, the Leeds Pax Christi group is organising prayers of repentance on **Ash Wednesday 18th February at 12.30pm** in Dortmund Square, Leeds. We pray for all those involved in nuclear war preparations to repent and have a change of heart. We will also pray that all of us will speak out for peace.

**FUNERAL – MARIA KRAVOS:** The Requiem Mass for Fr Peter's mum will be on **Tuesday (10<sup>th</sup> February) at 11.30am** in St Mary's church, Park Lane, Rothwell LS26 0ES. Anyone who wants to attend will be very welcome. Thank you sincerely for all the very many messages, cards and Masses offered.

# St Joseph's church, The Lanes, Pudsey LS28 7AT

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## **MASSES THIS WEEK:**

Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Fifth Sunday of O.T.	5.00pm: Vigil Mass (Intention: Yorkshire Brethren Society)
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Fifth Sunday of O.T.	10.30am: Mass (Intention: Deceased – Amistad/Pormento)
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Our Lady of Lourdes	9.30am: Mass (Intention: November Dead List)
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Feria	9.30am: Mass (Intention: November Dead List)
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Sixth Sunday of O.T.	5.00pm: Vigil Mass (Intention: The People of the Parishes)
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Sixth Sunday of O.T.	10.30am: Mass (Intention: John Whitworth - B)

**CONFESIONS:** Saturday 4.30pm-4.50pm, or at request after any weekday Mass.

**OFFERTORY LAST SUNDAY:** Loose plate: £468.78; envelopes: £241.10; bank transfers: £1153.26; **Total: £1863.14.** Sincere thanks for your generosity! **Ukraine appeal:** £10.00.

**REST IN PEACE:** Please pray for the families & the repose of the souls of:

**Mr John (Jack) Armitage**, whose Requiem Mass will be at St Joseph's on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February at 10.30am**;  
**Mrs Sheila Tolan**, whose Requiem mass will be at St Joseph's on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 11.45am**;  
**Mrs Pat French**, whose Requiem mass will be at St Joseph's on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 12.15pm**.

**ONLINE SCRIPTURE GROUP:** If you would like to join the Tuesday evening online group, please contact Helen Edwards at [pudsey.stjoseph@gmail.com](mailto:pudsey.stjoseph@gmail.com)

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP:** Our next monthly bereavement support group meeting is **TODAY (Sunday 8th February) 4.00pm-5.30pm** in St Joseph's Parish Centre. Drop in for a cup of tea or coffee, a chat and listening ears. For anyone walking through loss, no matter how long ago. All are welcome - no need to book. An opportunity to spend time alongside others who recognise your bereavement journey in a safe confidential space.

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**LENTEN HOLY HOUR & STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** on Sundays during Lent from 3.00pm to 4.00pm, concluding with simple Stations at 3.45pm and Benediction, starting on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February.

**NEW MEN'S GROUP:** The Oratory of St Joseph for young Catholic or other interested laymen aged between 21 & 35. Monthly meetings at Hinsley Hall LS6 2BX for prayer, Benediction, talks, social time & free supper. Inaugural meeting **Thursday 26th February, 6.30-8.30pm**. For further information please contact Fr Benjamin Hilton: [benjamin.hilton@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:benjamin.hilton@dioceseofleeds.org.uk) or see the poster in the church porch.

**LEEDS DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2026:** The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place **Friday 3rd to Thursday 9th July 2026**. It is hoped that there will be two flights from Leeds. The booking process is now open. Bookings can be made by phone direct with Tangney Tours Tel. 01732 886666 or online: <https://www.tangney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-leeds/>

If you would like a booking form, you can also request one from Fr Peter.

Further items & events from across the diocese can be read in the extended newsletter, which is on both parish websites. Or you can join the mailing list (including *Pause for Thought*) - to be added to or removed from our mailing-list please email: [office.stwilliam.morley@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:office.stwilliam.morley@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

## Events & Notices from across the Diocese

**THE DIOCESE OF LEEDS COMMUNITY CHOIR:** welcomes all parish musicians and parishioners, all choir parents and friends, and all school and Diocesan staff to come together and sing! Rehearsals work towards singing Mass in Leeds Cathedral. Rehearsals will take place from **2.30pm-4.00pm on 8th and 22nd February, 8th, 15th and 22nd March** at the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Moortown.

To sign up please email: [office@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk](mailto:office@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk)

**See also the poster at the end of notices for other venues and dates in our diocese.**

**ANNUAL LOURDES DINNER DANCE:** **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February** at the Met hotel in Leeds. Tickets are available from Phil Marshall at £45 or £400 for a table of 10. The ticket price includes reception drink, a 3 course Meal, Tea & coffee, DJ and entertainment throughout the evening. To secure your tickets for this popular event, contact Phil on 07766 148375 or email [philmarshall49@outlook.com](mailto:philmarshall49@outlook.com).

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**MASS FOR HEALING:** Chapel at the Bar Convent, 17 Blossom Street, York on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February at 11.45am** with Fr Dominique Minskip, Canon Michael Loughlin and Fr Jo Michael. For assistance or if you are unable to attend but would like your name or the name of someone you know placed on the altar during the mass, please contact Fiona Hill 01904 464900 [fiona@stbedes.org.uk](mailto:fiona@stbedes.org.uk)

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**IRISH NIGHT FUNDRAISER:** in aid of the Little sisters of the Poor rebuild fund **February 27<sup>th</sup>**, Irish Centre, York Road, Leeds commencing at 7.30pm. Irish meal soda bread and Irish dessert, Irish music and dancing. Auction, raffle and football card, tickets on sale in Irish Centre and also contact Sister Christina email [funds.leeds@lspLondon.co.uk](mailto:funds.leeds@lspLondon.co.uk)

**ARE YOU A CATHOLIC TEACHER OR LEADER WORKING OUTSIDE THE CATHOLIC SECTOR?** Would you consider applying for a job in one of our diocesan schools? Diocesan Director of Education Kieron Flood will be hosting an on-line briefing for all those who are interested on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March, 6-7pm**. To book your place, please email Emma: [education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

**DAY FOR CATECHISTS, CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:** **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April, 10am-3pm** at Hinsley Hall, Leeds LS6 2BX. The Vicariate for Education ran a very fruitful and well-attended day workshop for Children's Liturgy of the Word catechists in January. For anyone who was unable to make it, there will be a repeat of the day on the 11<sup>th</sup> April. This will include similar input, times of sharing and prayer. Lunch included. Please register your free place no later than 3<sup>rd</sup> April by emailing [formation@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:formation@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

**FLAME 2027:** The largest Catholic youth event in England and Wales will be at the OVO Arena, Wembley on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2027**. Passes are currently at the super early bird rate of £75 per person, which includes return coach travel to/from the Diocese, until 31<sup>st</sup> July 2026. Email [youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk) to book yours!

## OTHER NOTICES

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AS CATHOLIC EDUCATION TRUST DIRECTORS:** Do you have skills in finance, change management, organisational growth or school improvement to support the governance of our Diocesan schools and Trusts. Further information from Kieron Flood, Director of Education: [education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

**VOLUNTEER MEMBERS TO THE EDUCATION SUB-COMMITTEE:** The Diocese of Leeds, Vicariate for Education are seeking additional volunteer members to the Education sub-committee. The committee oversees the work of the Vicariate for Education in Education, Youth and Adult Faith Formation. We are seeking those who have skills or experience in the areas of Adult Faith Formation and/or Youth Work. Further information from Kieron Flood, Director of Education: [education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

## VACANCIES

**DEPUTY HEADTEACHER VACANCY:** St Columba's Catholic Primary School, Bradford. Start: September 2026. Closing date: Monday, 23rd February 2026. Please contact the Trust HR department to discuss the role in more detail or to arrange a visit, [hr@bcwcat.co.uk](mailto:hr@bcwcat.co.uk)

**MARRIAGE CARE VACANCY:** Marriage Care is delighted to share that we are currently looking for a Practice and Safeguarding Coordinator to play a vital role in supporting and strengthening our relationship counselling services. For more details and how to apply, please visit:

<https://www.marriagecare.org.uk/currentvacancies/practice-and-safeguarding-coordinator-administrator/>

**HEADTEACHER VACANCY:** St Augustine's Catholic Primary School, Leeds. Start: September 2026. Closing date: Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2026. Please contact the Trust HR department to discuss the role in more detail or to arrange a visit, [hr@sgtgcat.org.uk](mailto:hr@sgtgcat.org.uk)

**ASSISTANT HEAD OF CORE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION VACANCY:** at Notre Dame Catholic Sixth Form College, Leeds. START: January 2026 or as soon after. Closing date: 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026 Further info please visit <https://www.notredamecoll.ac.uk/vacancies> To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Louise Jackson [l.jackson@notredamecoll.ac.uk](mailto:l.jackson@notredamecoll.ac.uk)

**TEACHER OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION VACANCY:** St. Mary's, Menston, Start: Monday 27 April 2026. Closing date: Monday, 23 February 2026. Further info: <https://www.bishopwheelercatholicacademytrust.org/Trust-Academy-Vacancies/> To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Jo-Anne Hughes, [ja.hughes@stmarysmenston.org](mailto:ja.hughes@stmarysmenston.org) Further details attached.

**HEADTEACHER VACANCY:** St Thomas à Becket Catholic Secondary School, Wakefield. Start: September 2026 or earlier. Closing date: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026. For an informal and confidential conversation about the role, please contact Rob Barraclough, Acting CEO, The Bishop Konstant Catholic Academy Trust on 01924 802285, [rbarraclough@bkcat.uk](mailto:rbarraclough@bkcat.uk) Visit <https://www.bkcat.co.uk/vacancies/> for more details and to apply.



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# **Pax Christi in the Leeds Diocese: Ash Wednesday Prayer Service**

**Wednesday 18 February  
2026@12:30**



**All are welcome to join Pax Christi members in Dortmund Square just off the Headrow, Leeds**

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of a time of repentance in the Church calendar and we will be praying for all those involved in nuclear war preparations to repent and have a change of heart. We also recognise that we can all do more to speak out about nuclear war preparations and to pray to have the courage to carry on with our opposition.



# THE ORATORY OF ST JOSEPH

CATHOLIC MEN'S  
GROUP FOR AGES  
21-35

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February**  
Fr Pius Collins o.praem.



## Chastity and Masculinity

**Fr Pius**, a Canon of Our Lady of Sorrows, Peckham, was born in Nottingham. He studied Theology at Oxford, joined the Norbertine Order in 2011, and was ordained in 2016. He holds a licence in Canon Law from KU Leuven and serves as an ecclesiastical judge and advisor, currently pursuing a doctorate in Canon Law.

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March**  
Prof. Maurice Whitehead MBE



## Talents, Manners, and Virtues: young English and Welsh Catholic lay men building up the Church in London and Rome, c. 1580 - c.1620

**Professor Maurice Whitehead, MBE** is Professor Emeritus of History at Swansea University, as well as the former Director of Heritage Collections and Research Fellow at the Venerable English College in Rome. In 2025 he was awarded an MBE for Services to the Development of British Heritage in Rome.

**Thursday 30th April**  
Fr John Church O.P.



## Facing your Fears: how to grow in courage

**Fr John Bernard** is a Dominican priest currently assigned to Holy Cross Priory, Leicester. He is the Promoter of Dominican Young Adults. He studied Classics at Oxford before joining the Order in 2018. He was ordained a priest in 2025.

**Thursday 28th May**  
Fr Royston Price CSsR



## Hail Holy Queen: reflections on the Dogmas of the Immaculate Conception and Assumption

**Fr Royston Price** is a Welsh priest of the Redemptorist Order. He is primarily involved in preaching parish missions, and his interests include history, cooking, and beekeeping. He is based in the Redemptorist Monastery in Clapham, South London, but has preached all around the UK, as well as in Ireland and America.

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**6:30PM - 8:30PM**  
**SUPPER PROVIDED**