

27th September 2026
26th Sunday of
Ordinary Time
(Year A)

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

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MASSSES & LITURGIES THIS WEEK:

Saturday 25th Sept.	26th Sunday of O.T.	6.30pm: Vigil Mass (<i>Intention: Pietr Geyerbosz - LD</i>)
Sunday 27th Sept.	26th Sunday of O.T.	9.00am: Mass (<i>Intention: Private Intention – Helen & family</i>)
Tuesday 29th Sept.	Feast of the Archangels	7.00pm: Mass of the Consecration of the Altar*
Thursday 1st Oct.	St Therese of Lisieux	10.00am: Mass in school (<i>Intention: November Dead List</i>)
Saturday 3rd Oct.	27th Sunday of O.T.	6.30pm: Vigil Mass (<i>Intention: Hilda & Jim Duffy</i>)
Sunday 4th Oct.	27th Sunday of O.T.	9.00am: Mass (<i>Intention: Kenneth Abrahamson - A</i>)

***ALTAR CONSECRATION:** Bishop Marcus will celebrate Mass at St Francis' church on **Tuesday 29th September at 7.00pm** to mark this special year for the 800th anniversary of the death of St Francis of Assisi, and also to formally consecrate the altar in our church. There will be refreshments afterwards and **ALL ARE WELCOME!** Thank you to all those who are helping to put this celebration together.

THURSDAY MASS IN SCHOOL: As part of our celebration of this special year marking the 800th Anniversary of the death of St Francis of Assisi, we will be welcoming some of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal to our school on Thursday, and the 10.00am Mass will be in school with them and the whole school – and **EVERYONE IS WELCOME.** Please just go to the school gate and you'll be let in.

CONFESSIONS: No confessions this week due to the Bishop's Mass on Tuesday & school Mass on Thursday.

OFFERTORY LAST SUNDAY: Loose plate: £326.62; envelopes: £117.00; bank transfers: £252.00; Dona card device: £53.00; **Total: £748.62.** Sincere thanks for your generosity!

BAPTISM: Prayers and congratulations to **Joedie Qutorio**, who is baptised on Sunday, and to her proud family!

REST IN PEACE: Please pray for the family and the repose of the soul of **Mr William John Denton (Bill).** His Requiem Mass will be at St Francis' on Friday 9th October at 10.45am.

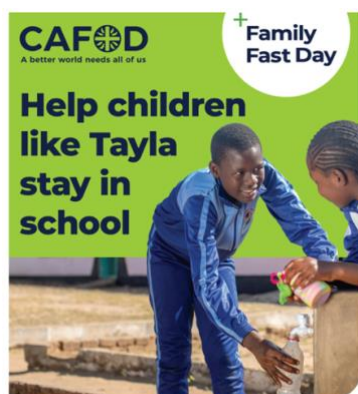
FRANCISCAN LITTLE FLOWERS PRAYER GROUP: No meeting this week, due to the Bishop's Mass on Tuesday, but otherwise we meet each Tuesday from 6:00pm to 6:30pm in St Francis' church to offer prayers for our parish, school, local community, our country, and the needs of the world.

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY:

is on Friday (2nd October). Every year at this time we are asked to support CAFOD's global efforts to combat world poverty and famine while we enjoy our own harvest. The focus this year is Tayla from Zimbabwe. Tayla is 12 years old. She loves school, but some days she would arrive exhausted after walking to collect water. With little food to eat either, she couldn't focus in class and sometimes she didn't make it to school at all. Tayla says, "I like to study and when I grow up, I want to be a doctor." But when children don't have enough to eat or drink, they don't just feel hungry and thirsty – they stop learning and the dreams they once had slip away. CAFOD's local partners worked with Tayla's community to build a solar-powered water system. Water is pumped from the ground to Tayla's village and school and now the school can grow their own vegetables, providing the children with nutritious meals all year round.

Please take an envelope from the church porch to support CAFOD this harvest time and we will have a collection after all the Masses next weekend.

www.cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Family-Fast-Day



Turn your faith into action this Harvest.
Give children like Tayla in Zimbabwe the
water and nutritious food they need to learn.



Give today at
cafod.org.uk/envelope

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

www.stjosephpudsey.org.uk

Parish Office: Mondays & Fridays 9am–1pm. Janice: office.stjoseph.pudsey@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

MASSES & LITURGIES THIS WEEK:

Saturday 26th Sept.	26th Sunday of O.T.	5.00pm: Vigil Mass (<i>Intention: The People of the Parishes</i>)
Sunday 20th Sept.	26th Sunday of O.T.	10.30am: Mass (<i>Intention: Monica Murray - intentions</i>)
Tuesday 29th Sept.	Feast of the Archangels	1.30pm: Requiem Mass – Stella Winterburn
Wednesday 30th Sept.	St Jerome	9.30am: Mass (<i>Intention: Clement Family</i>)
Friday 2nd Oct.	The Guardian Angels	9.30am: Mass (<i>Intention: November Dead List</i>)
Saturday 3rd Oct.	27th Sunday of O.T.	5.00pm: Vigil Mass (<i>Intention: Gabriel Chikwendu - LD</i>)
Sunday 4th Oct.	27th Sunday of O.T.	10.30am: Mass (<i>Intention: The People of the Parishes</i>)

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 4.30pm–4.50pm, or at request after any weekday Mass.

OFFERTORY LAST SUNDAY: Loose plate: £183.41; envelopes: £348.00; bank transfers: £611.00; Dona card device: £85.00; **Total: £1227.41.** CAFOD Ukraine appeal: £25.00. Sincere thanks for your generosity!

REST IN PEACE: Please pray for the families & the repose of the souls of: **Stella Winterburn**, whose Requiem Mass will be at St Joseph's on Tuesday (29th September) at 1.30pm; and **Joyce Brennan**, whose funeral Service will be at St Joseph's on Tuesday 6th October at 12.30pm.

TUESDAY ONLINE SCRIPTURE GROUP: If you would like to join email: pudseystjoseph@gmail.com

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Parents of baptised Catholic children in Year 6 or above who live in our parish and who have made their First Holy Communion are invited to register for the Sacrament of Confirmation, which will take place in our parish in December this year. Preparation will begin in November, and the deadline for applications is the Friday 16th October. Please see www.stjosephpudsey.org.uk/confirmation and follow the link for the registration, or use the → QR code, or contact Maria: catechist.stjoseph.pudsey@dioceseofleeds.org.uk



FRIENDS OF ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL: Please come and support us at our *Paint and Sip Fundraiser*, a fun, relaxed evening of crafts, chat and drinks on **Friday 2nd October 7.30pm** in the parish hall. Each ticket includes 2 ceramics of your choice, paint, brushes etc. two drinks and nibbles. Further drinks are available to purchase on the night. Tickets cost £28. To reserve your ticket please scan the QR code ← and fill in the form or click: <https://forms.gle/7FEDtMgXXF4xbCpn6>

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – PRAYER, FASTING AND PEACEFUL VIGIL: 23rd September to 1st November 7:00am–7:00pm. Join us in being a voice for the voiceless. Location just over 150 meters from MSI Reproductive Choices abortion facility at the junction of Chapeltown Road and Barrack Road LS7 4AW. This complies with current buffer-zone law. To get involved contact Chris Redding 07815 681343 email: 40daysforlifeleeds@gmail.com Further information at www.40daysforlife.com/leeds

BATLEY TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION: Monday 5th October 7.30pm. This year marks the 75th anniversary of this devotion, and it will be led by Bishop Marcus. Meet at St Mary's school, Upton Street, Batley WF17 8PH. All welcome afterwards to the Parochial Hall on Melton Street WF17 8PT for pie & pea supper.

PASTORAL LETTER FROM BISHOP MARCUS

You can read the Pastoral Letter from Bishop Marcus for this weekend about the Season of Creation here:

www.stjosephpudsey.org.uk/pastoral-letter

www.stwilliamofyork.org.uk/pastoral-letter

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

Further Events & Notices from across the Diocese

LEEDS CATHEDRAL CHOIR AND THE SIXTEEN: Sunday 27th September at 3pm, Leeds Cathedral. The Cathedral Choir performs with members of internationally renowned choir *The Sixteen* and the *Genesis Sixteen* young artist programme, conducted by Harry Christophers. Admission free, with a suggested £10 donation.

See also the poster at the end of these notices

SPARK SOCIAL JUSTICE: Join our conversations on faith, hope and peace, reflecting on Theology in Gaza, with author John Munayer "The Cross and the Olive Tree" and Professor Esther McIntosh, Professor of Feminist Theology at York University. On **29th September 7pm-9pm** at Leeds Minster.

See <https://sparksocialjustice.org.uk/> to book a place.

VENI EMMANUEL ADVENT MUSIC FOR PARISH MUSICIANS: Sunday 4th October 2-4pm in Queen's Hall, Immaculate Heart of Mary church, LS17 6LE. Parish musicians, choir members and all involved in liturgical music are invited to an afternoon of Advent music/reflection. Discover new Advent repertoire, gain spiritual inspiration for the new liturgical year, and connect with fellow musicians from across the Diocese. Admission free, suggested donation £5. Hosted by Diocese of Leeds Music and Faith Formation. To book, email formation@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

See also the poster at the end of these notices

HANDMAIDS WOMEN'S GROUP: Join the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal for Adoration, Music, Rosary, opportunity for Sacrament of Reconciliation and refreshments. **Fridays 2nd October**, 6th November, 4th December 7-8.30pm Corpus Christi Church, Neville Road, Leeds LS9 0HD.

ANNUAL BATLEY TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION 75TH ANNIVERSARY: The Parish of St Mary & St Patrick, Batley/Birstall, warmly invite you to join them and Bishop Marcus for the Procession from St Mary's Catholic Primary School to St Mary of the Angels' Church on **Monday 5th October, 7:30pm**. A fine expression of our Catholic faith honouring Our Lady and uniting us in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. We also welcome friends from Hallam/Middlesbrough Dioceses. Refreshments afterwards.

Any questions please contact Fr Eamonn 01924 474650 or eamonn.hegarty@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

See also the poster at the end of these notices

GROWING OLD GRACE-FULLY CARERS PROJECT: is hosting an October series of Devotions to our Lady, including reflections/prayers for carers and loved ones. The first of the series, the Joyful Mysteries will be a live online session (**Tuesday 6th October, 7pm**). A recorded session, praying the next three Mysteries of the Rosary, will then be released weekly during October on the Growing Old Grace-fully YouTube channel. For more information/to attend the online Rosary, email Michelle, carersproject@growingoldgracefully.org.uk

ADOREMUS EUCHARISTIC FESTIVAL 2026: 10 - 11th October. This year, after major Eucharistic events in Liverpool and Birmingham, the Adoremus Eucharistic Festival turns to London over two days. The event will include Mass in Southwark Cathedral, a keynote address, a procession of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction and an all-night vigil in Westminster Cathedral. Timetable and associated art competition details at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/adoremus-2026/>

See also the poster at the end of these notices

"IT IS BEAUTIFUL TO BE OLD" - OLDER PEOPLE AND CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING: Tuesday 13 October, 10am-1:30pm, Cathedral Hall, Leeds. This event, hosted by Growing Old Grace-fully will explore Catholic Social Teaching regarding the blessings of later life, led by theologian Dr Peter Kevern. To book a place, please email growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

THE ORATORY OF ST JOSEPH: Catholic Men's Group (ages 21-35). Helping young men to grow in faith, fellowship and formation in order to become the saint that God is calling them to be. Meeting on the last Thursday of the month (next meeting: **Thursday 29th October**) at Hinsley Hall 6.30pm. For more information email oratory.stjoseph@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

INSTAGRAM HANGOUT: Join us at Leeds Cathedral for an exclusive tour created especially for Instagrammers! Learn more about the fascinating history, architecture and design of our Arts and Crafts-style Cathedral, access areas not usually open to the public, and capture its beauty through photography. **Saturday 31st October 2pm-4pm.** All are welcome! Tickets are free, but registration is essential: <https://bit.ly/4i9aEmV>

FRANCISCAN FRIARS OF THE RENEWAL - DISCIPLESHIP DAYS 2026-2027: Please join the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal (CFR's) for our Discipleship Days at St Patrick's Mission Church, Bradford BD1 2RU. The theme is *"May the Lord Give You Peace"*. **Meet on Saturdays: 7th November; 5th December; 9th January; 6th February; 6th March; 3rd April; 1st May.** The day includes Rosary, Holy Mass, a talk, Confessions, and a Holy Hour with Eucharistic adoration, concluding at around 4:30 pm. Lunch will be provided.

RCIA PROCESS FORMATION: Join the Vicarate for Education on **Saturday 7th November** at Hinsley Hall (10am – 4pm) to explore how to accompany and support those discerning the Catholic faith through the RCIA process. Ideal for parish volunteers, catechists, and anyone interested in faith formation. Come and discover practical insights, shared experiences, and ways to help guide others closer to Christ. To reserve your free place by October 23rd, visit www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/education/cpd-2025/ or email formation@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

ANNUAL SERVICE AT KILLINGBECK CEMETERY NOVEMBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: Sunday 8th November at 2.30pm. All the Diocese are invited to come to the cemetery and pray for the deceased members of the Diocese and extended family. The service, led by Canon Patrick Wall, Dean of East Leeds, will be in the chapel with readings, hymns, and rosary. Weather permitting, we will walk around the clergy circle reciting the rosary.

FLAME 2027: The largest Catholic youth event in England and Wales is back! Join 10,000 young people for a day of music, prayer, worship, talks from great speakers and much more at the OVO Arena, Wembley on **Saturday 6th March 2027.** Aimed at young people in Y9+, including university students and young adults. Passes are currently at the super early bird rate of £75 per person, which includes return coach travel to/from the Diocese, until 31st July 2026. Email youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk to book yours!

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

OTHER NOTICES

EMAIL YOUR MP: Following on from the defeat of 'The Assisted Dying' Bill, there is an urgent need to push for better and more accessible palliative care services across our region. The following link takes you to a suggested draft letter to your MP, which is based on how your MP voted on the 11th September. <https://righttolife.org.uk/voterresult> This draft letter can be edited.

ONLINE GOSPEL MEDITATIONS: Throughout the year, the Briery Retreat Team deliver fortnightly guided meditations via Zoom, with time for reflection and sharing on Thursdays from 7.30pm to 8.15pm. The 'doors' open at 7.15pm for a chat and introductions. All welcome. Register by email admin@briery.org.uk

JOIN THE CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION: Whether you are a doctor, nurse, student, or allied professional — if you are a Catholic in healthcare, join us to grow in fellowship, prayer and formation together. For more information & upcoming events, visit: <https://catholicmedicalassociation.org.uk>

BISHOP MARCUS AND THE DIOCESAN TRUSTEES: are seeking volunteers as independent members to join a newly established **Audit and Risk Committee**. The commitment is four meetings a year. This would be a two-to-three-year commitment as discussions and consultations about bringing together the Dioceses of Leeds, Middlesbrough and Hallam progress, and would be of great value in a process of unification. We are seeking those who have skills or experience in the areas of Audit, Risk, Finance and Governance. For further information please contact Carla Stockton-Jones, Trustee: carla.stockton-jones@dioceseofleeds.org.uk or Mgr Andrew Summersgill, Moderator of the Curia andrew.summersgill@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

DIOCESAN FAITH FORMATION EVENTS: Many Catholic adults wish to discover more about their faith. The Vicariate for Education is offering a wide range of faith development events during 2026/27, both at Hinsley Hall in Leeds and elsewhere throughout the Diocese. These are aimed at, among others, those who enjoy listening to a stimulating lecture, those who want to engage in some accompanied study and catechists wishing to develop their skills. To find out more, scroll down to "Faith Formation": www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/education/cpd-2025

GROWING OLD GRACEFULLY CARERS PROJECT: online support group for unpaid carers on the first Wednesday of every month at 2.00pm and 7.30pm. If you care for a friend, neighbour or family member you are invited to join us for the opportunity to make new friends, chat and have space and time to pray. Contact Michelle for more information or to register carersproject@growingoldgracefully.org.uk

MARRIAGE SUPPORT: If you are just in a rut or for more serious issues – Retrouvaille could be the solution. www.retrouvaille.org.uk Tel: +44 797 338 0443

PROPERTY OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR: The Diocese of Leeds, are seeking to recruit a Property Office Administrator to provide comprehensive administrative support to the Property Department, ensuring the efficient operation of the Property Department and maintaining effective communication with internal and external stakeholders. This is a full-time role of 37hrs per week, Monday to Friday. 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, 2 October 2026.

DUTY MANAGER/RECEPTIONIST: Hinsley Hall, are seeking to recruit a Duty Manager/Receptionist to oversee the day to day running of the reception desk as well as being part of the receptionist team, dealing with conference/hotel guests on a day-to-day basis. Full-time role: 37.5hrs per week working 5 days out of 7 on a rotating rota, including evenings and weekends. Further details at www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk or register your interest at recruitment@dioceseofleeds.org.uk. Closing date: Friday, 2 October.

ASSISTANT HEAD OF CORE RE VACANCY: at Notre Dame Catholic Sixth Form College, Leeds. Start: As soon as possible. Closing date: 28th September 2026 at 09:00am. Further info: please visit <https://www.notredamecoll.ac.uk/vacancies> To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Louise Jackson l.jackson@notredamecoll.ac.uk

CATHOLIC CARE RECRUITMENT: www.catholic-care.org.uk/jobs
FOR DIOCESAN VACANCIES: www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/vacancies/

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BATLEY TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION

HONOURING OUR LADY • ADORE THE EUCHARIST • WALK IN FAITH



MONDAY 5TH OCTOBER
7.30PM

WITH BISHOP MARCUS STOCK



HELD AT
ST MARY OF THE ANGELS
BATLEY

St Mary's Church, Cross Bank Road, Batley, WF17 8PQ

Followed by Refreshments

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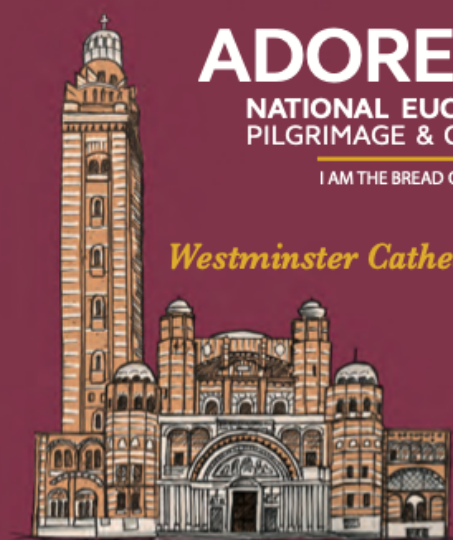
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ADOREMUS

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC
PILGRIMAGE & CONGRESS

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE



Westminster Cathedral

St George's Cathedral



For delegates from the Dioceses of England and Wales

St George's Cathedral Southwark

10.30 Presentations on Eucharistic Art and Life for those able to arrive early, with refreshments available and some information stands around the campus

12 noon The Adoremus Mass, Archbishop John Wilson
Followed by keynote address: Cardinal Timothy Radcliffe
OP 'The Eucharist: Our sacrament of hope in dark times'
Time for packed, picnic lunches

15.00 Eucharistic Procession to **Westminster Cathedral of the Most Precious Blood**, with the representative group of the Church

17.00 Solemn Benediction led by Bishop James Curry

For all there will be space to watch the start of the Procession at St George's, to follow on line, to watch the Procession as it passes (Stop and Pray) and to join the delegates for Benediction either in the Cathedral or the grounds of the Cathedral for which a live sound stream will be provided.

There will then be Mass at 18.00 open to all, followed by Holy Hours at 20.00, 21.00, and 22.00 led by the Youth Ministry teams of Westminster, Southwark and CYMFed.

These will be followed by an all-night Vigil from 23.00 to 05.00. Congress Closing Mass at 06.00.

All of these times can be booked at
www.westminstercathedral.org.uk/adoremus/
to secure places.

Further information will be posted at
www.cbcew.org.uk/adoremus-2026/

The 2026 National Eucharistic Congress

ADOREMUS

Saturday, 10 October 2026

Adoremus is the Bishops' invitation to renew our devotion to the Eucharistic Lord and has two aspects:

- A representative gathering of the Church in London with Bishops, priests, and people
- All parishes are encouraged to unite local events with the national gathering from which footage will be available to enable remote participation

Program subject to change.