

**Cathedral Church of St Marie,
and the Churches of Holy Family
and Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald**

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**4th Sunday of Advent (C)
23rd December to 30th December 2018**

Today's Readings: *I Mic 5:1-4a Ps 79:2ac+3b, 15-16, 18-19. R^x4 II Heb 10:5-10 G Lk 1:39-45*

Christmas: *Vigil – I Isa 62:1-5 Ps 88:4-5, 16-17, 27+29. R^x2a II Acts 13:16-17, 22-25 G Mt 1:1-25 Night – I Isa 9:1-6 Ps 95:1-2a, 2b-3, 11-12, 13. R^xLk 2:11 II Titus 2:11-14 G Lk 2:1-14 Dawn – I Isa 62:11-12 Ps 96:1+6, 11-12. R^xnon-biblical II Titus 3:4-7 G Lk 2:15-20 Day – I Isa 52:7-10 Ps 97:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6. R^x3c II Heb 1:1-6 G Jn 1:1-18*

Next Sunday: *I 1 Sam 1:20-22, 24-28 Ps 83:2-3, 5-6, 9-10. R^xcf. 5a II 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24 G Lk 2:41-52*

Cathedral

Saturday 22: 4th Sunday of Advent (Vigil)

5.30pm Rev Fr John Serjeant (recently deceased)

Sunday 23: 4th Sunday of Advent

8.30am November Memorial List

10.30am People of the Parishes

12.30pm Frederick Okeke Ude (deceased)

6.30pm Young Adults & Students of Hallam Diocese

Monday 24: Advent Weekday

8.00am November Memorial List

12.45pm Samuel & Cissie Waters (deceased)

✠ Monday 24: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (Vigil) ✠

5.30pm Sick & Housebound of the Cathedral Parish

✠ Tuesday 25: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD ✠

Midnight For the Preservation of Peace & Justice

8.30am Mr & Mrs Courtney (R.I.P.)

10.30am People of the Parishes

12.30pm Zosima Apat (deceased)

6.30pm Private intention

Wednesday 26: ST STEPHEN

12.45pm Thomas & Jacqueline Wing (intentions)

Thursday 27: ST JOHN

8.00am Shiny & Vincent Muttath (wedding anniversary)

12.45pm Aleykutty Philipose (anniversary)

5.30pm November Memorial List

Friday 28: THE HOLY INNOCENTS

8.00am Rev Fr Tony Flynn (anniversary)

12.45pm Marguerite Ward (anniversary)

5.30pm November Memorial List

Saturday 29: ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY

12.30pm Maura Hallam (intentions)

Next Weekend's Masses – Cathedral

Saturday 29: THE HOLY FAMILY (Vigil)

5.30pm Chloe Alexander (anniversary)

Sunday 30: THE HOLY FAMILY

8.30am Rev Mr Bernard Gerrard (anniversary)

10.30am Matthew & Lucy Hazell (intentions)

12.30pm November Memorial List

6.30pm Young Adults & Students of Hallam Diocese

Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

Sunday 23: 4th Sunday of Advent

9.45am Alf Armitage (R.I.P.)

✠ Monday 24: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (Vigil) ✠

6.30pm Family & Friends of Denise and Alan Boardman

✠ Tuesday 25: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD ✠

9.45am People of the Parish

Friday 28: THE HOLY INNOCENTS

9.15am **NO MASS**

Sunday 30: THE HOLY FAMILY

9.45am Albert, Ellen, Alan & Dennis Thorpe (R.I.P.)

Holy Family

Sunday 23: 4th Sunday of Advent

11.00am People of the Parishes

✠ Tuesday 25: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD ✠

11.00am Parish Intentions

Sunday 30: THE HOLY FAMILY

11.00am Parish Intentions

Divine Office at the Cathedral

Morning Prayer: Monday, Thursday & Friday 7.45am

Midday Prayer: Monday, Thursday & Friday 12.30pm

Evening Prayer: Thursday & Friday 5.15pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday, Thursday & Friday 12.00–12.30pm

Saturday 11.00am–12.15pm, 4.45–5.15pm

Exposition

Monday, Thursday & Friday 12.00–12.30pm

Please note the adjusted times for Confessions, Exposition and the Divine Office this week

Prayer Led by Parishioners at the Cathedral

Rosary

Friday 2.00pm, Saturday 12.00pm

Devotion to The Divine Mercy

Friday 2.30pm

Parish Groups at the Cathedral

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sundays during 10.30am Mass. All Children Welcome

Monday Over 60s Lunch Club

The next Monday Over 60s Lunch Club will be Monday 7th January

Friday Lunch Club

The next Friday Lunch Club will be Friday 4th January

Sunday Teas & Coffees

After 10.30am Mass in Houlden Hall

We pray for Rev Fr John Serjeant, Walter Addy, Alfred Armitage, Ingrida Horváthová, and all those who have died recently.

Please Remember In Your Prayers Our Sick: Pat Lee, Pauline West, Matthew Smith, Phyllis Caesar, Dominic, Rev Fr Donal O'Leary, Jackie Davison, Mavis Hamilton, Marie Casey, Ann Harvey, Trevor Harvey, Justine Morewood, Nora Kenny, Maura Hallam, and all those who are suffering mentally, emotionally or physically.

Names will stay on the list for 3 months. Please contact Cathedral House if you wish your friend or family member to be included.

Anniversaries this Week: 23 Dec – Roman Jezierski; 25 Dec – Manuel Josol, Kathleen Patching, Mirri Lupton; 26 Dec – Jim Lee, Neville Mothersole; 27 Dec – John Houdmont, Bertha Giles; 28 Dec – Rev Fr Tony Flynn; 29 Dec – Ethel Fletcher, Patricia Blakely, Rev Mr Bernard Gerrard.

St Marie's Collections

Sunday Collection: £1017.55; CAFOD: £220.00

Christmas Slovak Mass (Svätá Omša v slovenčine) at St Charles: the next Slovak Mass will be for the Vigil of Christmas, Monday 24th December, 3.30pm, at St Charles.

Hallam Caring Services Men's Counselling: Hallam Caring Services now has a free, confidential counselling service—by men, for men. To arrange an appointment telephone Bernie Ware on 256 6408 or 07980 406198.

Support Group for Women: St Marie's Cathedral hosts a support group for women. The group is about taking positive action to recover from trauma and other stressful life events. If you would like to find out more, please e-mail Candida at PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

Sunday Teas & Coffees after 10.30am Mass: Everyone attending the 10.30am Mass is warmly invited to join us for tea / coffee, biscuits and a bit of a chat. It's a great regular social, so please do come along. We look forward to seeing you there!

Cathedral Office Opening Hours over Christmas & New Year: please note that, on Monday 24th December (Christmas Eve) and Monday 31st December (New Year's Eve) the Cathedral office will only be open in the morning, from 9.00am-12.30pm. The office will be closed on Tuesday 25th December (Christmas Day), Wednesday 26th December (St Stephen's Day) and Tuesday 1st January (New Year's Day). On all other days, it will be open as normal.

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass (5.30pm): At this Mass, children are invited to come along dressed in their nativity costumes! They will be invited to help prepare the stable, ready for Baby Jesus' arrival at Midnight, and to lead the rest of the congregation in *Away In A Manger*.

The next Baptism Preparation Programme will be held over two sessions on Saturday 19th and Saturday 26th January, 9.30-11.00am in Houlden Hall. If you are planning to have your child baptised in the near future, please pick up a registration form at the end of Sunday Mass, fill it out and drop it off at Cathedral House or after Mass.

Journey in Faith: the next session will be after the Christmas and New Year break, and is on Tuesday 8th January from 7.30–9.00pm in Houlden Hall. The topic will be "Understanding the Sacraments". For those who have not been baptised, the Rite of Entry into the Catechumenate will be at the normal Sunday Masses on the 6th January.

First Holy Communions: there will be a break for Christmas and New Year, and the next session will be on Sunday 13th January, from 3.30-5.00pm in Houlden Hall.

Confirmation Programme: after the Christmas and New Year break, the next session will be on Sunday 20th January, 3.30-5.00pm in Houlden Hall.

St Marie's Cathedral Christmas Draw 2018: the draw takes place this Sunday in Houlden Hall after the 10.30am Mass. All winners will be notified!

Sheffield Catholic Men's Group: On the second Wednesday of every month we meet in the Parish room at 7.30pm. We begin with ten minutes of sharing in pairs about our faith or how the last month has been. Then we read the following Sunday's gospel, reflect, share and pray about it, using St Benedict's *Lectio Divina* method. After that we have a drink in a nearby pub. All men of any age are most welcome. Next meeting is Wednesday 9th January at 7.30pm.

Confessions this week at St Marie's Cathedral: the last scheduled Confessions before Christmas will be on Monday 24th December, 12.00-12.30pm, with two Priests available. After this, normal times will resume on Thursday 27th December.

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Vigil of Prayer followed by Mass at Midnight (Mon 31 Dec/Tue 1 Jan)

Starting at **9.00pm** on Monday 31st December, there will be a vigil of prayer in the Cathedral, followed by Mass at midnight to usher in the New Year. Everyone is welcome!

2019 Diocesan Yearbooks: after a slight publication delay, the *2019 Hallam Diocesan Yearbook and Ordo* is now available from the repository at the back of the Cathedral. Copies are £3.75 each—please put your money in the pillar marked "Papers".

Current Vacancies: Details can be found on the notice-board and on the Hallam Diocesan Website.



**Bishop Ralph, Fr Chris, Fr Stephen,
Sr Anne, Sr Maureen and the Cathedral Staff
would like to wish all our Parishioners & Visitors
a very Happy, Holy and Peaceful Christmas**

“And so at the birth of our Lord the angels sing in joy: Glory to God in the highest, and they proclaim peace to men of good will as they see the heavenly Jerusalem being built from all the nations of the world. When the angels on high are so exultant at this marvellous work of God’s goodness, what joy should it not bring to the lowly hearts of men?”

*Pope St Leo the Great, Sermon on the Nativity, 1.2
(Office of Readings, Christmas Day, 2nd reading)*

Security

Be aware that thieves operate in the city centre so keep handbags & valuables with you at all times when in Church

PLEASE SWITCH OFF YOUR MOBILE PHONE WHILST IN THE CATHEDRAL