

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

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Office Hours: closed until further notice.

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6th Sunday of Easter (A)

17th May to 24th May 2020

Mass Intentions for the Week at St Marie's

Sunday 17: 6th Sunday of Easter

11.00am: Mavis & Jim Thompson (R.I.P.)

3.00pm (Slovak): People of the Parishes

Monday 18: Eastertide Weekday

8.00am: Mario Uliano (recently deceased)

Tuesday 19: Eastertide Weekday

8.00am: Mary J. Bouillon

Wednesday 20: Eastertide Weekday

8.00am: November Memorial List

Thursday 21: THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

8.00am: People of the Parishes

Friday 22: Eastertide Weekday

8.00am: For Michael

Saturday 23: Eastertide Weekday

8.00am: November Memorial List

Sunday 24: 7th Sunday of Easter

11.00am: People of the Parishes

3.00pm (Slovak): Rev Mr Neil Bailey (recently deceased)

Please note that the Cathedral is closed until further notice.

However, the Cathedral clergy will continue to celebrate Masses, which will be **live-streamed on both the Cathedral website (stmariecathedral.org) and the Diocese of Hallam website (hallam-diocese.com)**. Masses are at 8.00am on weekdays, and 11.00am (English) and 3.00pm (Slovak) on Sundays. Please see the schedule above.

Parishioners are encouraged to participate in the prayer of the Church through these live-streams, especially on Sundays, and to join in spiritually with these celebrations. Any Mass intentions can be communicated to the Cathedral Office via e-mail or telephone, or posted to Cathedral House at the address above.

A Message from the Parish Finance Committee

Now more than ever the parish needs our financial support. The main source of income for the upkeep of the Cathedral and the support of the clergy has disappeared, since it is no longer getting money from the weekly collections during this time when the church is closed for public worship. However, the majority of the expenses remain the same. We recently explained that £2,000 a week is needed to run the parish, keep the Cathedral in a good state of repair and support the clergy.

There are many ways to continue to financially support the parish during this difficult time.

Setting up a standing order is a very good way to ensure that weekly contributions are made regularly. They are easy to set up and forms are available from office@stmariecathedral.org to complete and return if you would like to do this.

If you are confident with online banking, it is possible to set up a standing order from your bank account yourself. The parish bank details, if you wish to do this, are:

Name of Bank Account: St Marie's Restoration Fund

Sort code: 40-41-07

Account number: 01094289

It is also possible to make a direct payment to the parish from your bank account, using your online banking platform and the above bank details. Doing this means 100% of your donation goes to the parish and the funds are immediately available.

To make a donation via debit or credit card, please go to stmariecathedral.mydona.com or use the "Dona" button on the Cathedral website. Donations made this way can be Gift Aided. (Please note there is a charge for this service, which is deducted from donations before they are paid to the parish).

If you are doing more of your shopping online during this period please consider using "Easy Fundraising". Whatever transactions you do online—shopping, arranging insurance, etc.—using this website allows charities to receive donations from the companies you use. Sign into Easy fundraising, select "Cathedral Church of St Marie – Sheffield" as the charity, and then choose the retailer you want to buy from. The retailer will pay a percentage of the value of your shop to St Marie's. It is really that simple and that worthwhile. 3,700 retailers are accessible through this website if you shop on line with Amazon, Argos, Debenhams, John Lewis, Not on the High Street, Dunelm, etc. St Marie's could benefit if you shopped through the Easy Fundraising website.

Thank you very much for your continued generosity and support.

The Parish Finance Committee

We pray for all those who have died recently.

Please remember in your prayers our sick: Pauline West, Phyllis Caesar, Dominic, Jackie Davison, Mavis Hamilton, Marie Casey, Ann Harvey, Trevor Harvey, Nora Kenny, Maura Hallam, Rev Fr Colum Kelly, John Carroll, Robert Stocks, Gloria Welsh, Anthony Gallagher, Christopher Browne, Clifford Browne, Stella McAssey, Ted Harrison, Ruth Bleakley, Cyril Morewood, Helen Carroll, Mary Pridgeon, Kath Atherton, Jack Hilton, Pat O'Connor (Lintott), Carl Cole, Jonathan Dempsey, 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: 17 May – Ken Pridgeon; 22 May – József Karch; 24 May – Austin Helliwell.

Cathedral Outreach Groups (COGs): In order to help us all stay connected during this difficult time, the PPC have set up a friendly chat service called “Cathedral Outreach Groups” (COGs). The aim is to link senior parishioners, or others who live alone and have no family support and who do not use e-mail, WhatsApp, Facebook etc., with a friendly member of the Parish for a chat! So, if you know anyone who might welcome a COGs chat, get them to ring Cathedral House (0114 272 2522) or email ppc@stmariecathedral.org. Keep talking to each other, keep praying, and keep well! For further information contact Eileen Maher, COGs co-ordinator (ea.maher@btinternet.com).

CAFOD has recently launched its coronavirus emergency appeal. The effects of coronavirus on developing countries where CAFOD works are likely to be devastating. Families without enough to eat and without access to clean water and healthcare are particularly vulnerable to coronavirus. The poorest and most marginalised communities will be pushed further into poverty. Your prayers and gifts are needed now more than ever to help protect the lives of those in poor communities. While we are not able to hold physical collections in our church, you can donate at <https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Coronavirus-appeal>. Thank you.

Keep in touch with what is going on at St Marie's Cathedral: If you would like to receive regular communications from the PPC and an electronic copy of the bulletin, please register for our once-a-week e-mails. Simply send us a quick email saying “I do” to PPC@stmariecathedral.org, and we will put you on our mailing list.

"Alive!" is now online, and you are invited to join: "Alive!" is a prayer group, which will now be meeting online weekly via Zoom conferencing on Wednesdays at 6.00pm. It will be a time of prayer and reflective on the coming Sunday's Gospel. Everyone is welcome! If you wish to join the meeting, please email the PPC on PPC@stmariecathedral.org, and we will send you the meeting reference and password.

Tea and coffee is now available after Mass on Sundays: Following last week's successful social via Zoom video conferencing, we invite you to join us for tea / coffee and a chat. This event will take place each week, immediately after Sunday Mass is live-streamed. Don't forget to bring your own tea / coffee and biscuits! This week we are setting up 2 different 'coffee tables' (virtual meeting rooms), so that the numbers stay small enough to continue being enjoyable. We will continue to expand this over time, based on demand. Parishioners are welcome to pop into either / both 'rooms' we will have set up for this week. For security reasons, the meeting details are not published here; please request them from the PPC on PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

Children's resources available on the Cathedral's website: Children's Liturgy is now online each week! Candida and Molly would like to invite you to join them spiritually at 10.00am on Sunday mornings to celebrate Children's Liturgy before Mass. There is also an Illustrated Gospel reading available for older children (and anyone else who is interested); it is designed to help us think more deeply about the Gospel, and what it means for us. These resources, along with access to a hymn, can be found under "What's On" or use the link here: <https://bit.ly/3cAPB86>. This week's activity sheet, based on the Gospel, can be found at <https://bit.ly/3cz56xb>.

Parish socials via Zoom—do you have any ideas? We would like to invite parishioners to come forwards with ideas for online parish socials, to beat the boredom and isolation of this new era of 'social distancing'. The ideas must be something you are prepared to help organise—with the support of the PPC. What about a quiz night, or 'guess this tune'? A little concert would be possible, as would an evening of 'Desert Island Disks'. Please contact the PPC on PPC@stmariecathedral.org with any suggestions you can help us turn into a reality. Thank you!

Teaching Job Vacancy (Immaculate Conception, Spinkhill): There is a vacancy for a full-time Primary School Class Teacher at Immaculate Conception Primary School, Spinkhill (S21 3YB). Application forms are available from the school website (www.immaculate-derbyshire.co.uk), and more information can be requested from Lisa Hartley, the School Business Manager (e-mail: lisa.hartley@immaculate-derbyshire.co.uk).

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