



THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST MARIE
with the Churches of Holy Family
and Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

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Office Hours: Monday–Friday, 9.00am–12.30pm & 1.30–4.30pm

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28th Sunday per annum (B)

10th to 17th October 2021

Readings: *I Wis 7:7-11 Ps 89:12-13, 14-15, 16-17. R^x 14 II Heb 4:12-13 G Mk 10:17-30*

Next Sunday: *I Isa 53:10-11 Ps 32:4-5, 18-19, 20+22. R^x 22 II Heb 4:14-16 G Mk 10:35-45*

Cathedral

Saturday 9: 28th Sunday per annum (Vigil)

5.30pm Dennis & Olga Gerrard (R.I.P.)

Sunday 10: 28th Sunday per annum

8.30am November Memorial List

10.30am Katy O'Malley (anniversary)

12.30pm Charlie Currier (intentions)

6.30pm Benefactors of the Parish

Monday 11: Weekday

8.00am November Memorial List

12.30pm Maria Platts (recently deceased)

5.30pm Canon Michael O'Sullivan (anniversary)

Tuesday 12: Weekday

8.00am Lucy Hazell (intentions)

12.30pm November Memorial List

5.30pm Michael & Lucie (intentions)

Wednesday 13: Weekday

8.00am Linda & family intentions)

12.30pm Charles, Wilna & Gamini Seneviratne (R.I.P.)

5.30pm November Memorial List

Thursday 14: Weekday

8.00am Felixina & Selywin (sick)

12.30pm David Smith (in thanksgiving)

5.30pm **NO MASS**

Friday 15: St Teresa of Ávila

8.00am November Memorial List

12.30pm Rijin Joseph & Antony Abin (discernment)

5.30pm **NO MASS**

Saturday 16: Weekday

8.00am Betty Robinson (anniversary)

12.30pm Parish Sick List

Next Weekend – Cathedral

Saturday 16: 29th Sunday per annum (Vigil)

5.30pm Mary & family (in thanksgiving)

Sunday 17: 29th Sunday per annum

8.30am James Donnellan (anniversary)

10.30am People of the Parishes

12.30pm Special intention

6.30pm November Memorial List

Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

Sunday 10: 28th Sunday per annum

9.45am Christine O'Malley (R.I.P.)

Sunday 17: 29th Sunday per annum

9.45am James Quinn (R.I.P.) & deceased members of the Quinn family

Holy Family

Sunday 10: 28th Sunday per annum

11.00am People of the Parishes

Sunday 17: 29th Sunday per annum

11.00am Godfrey Mahaso (intentions)

Svätá Omša v slovenčine (Slovak Mass) – Cathedral

Sunday 10: 28. nedeľa v Cezročnom období

3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sunday 17: 29. nedeľa v Cezročnom období

3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sacrament of Confession Monday to Saturday, 11.30am–12.15pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Monday to Saturday, 11.30am–12.15pm

Rosary Friday and Saturday, after the 12.30pm Mass

We pray for Sile Burns, David Luscombe, and 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, Ruth Bleakley, Helen Carroll, Mary Pridgeon, Kath Atherton, Pat O'Connor (Lintott), Jonathan Dempsey, Elizabeth Dillop, Kay Worsnop, Vladimir Korbar Jr, Jean Hegarty, Sheena Clarke, Rima Lattash, Margaret & John Whitehead, Catherine, Kath Jarman, Angela Eddy, Mary Parkinson, 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: 10 Oct – Kate O'Malley; 11 Oct – Maria Zora, Canon Michael O'Sullivan; 14 Oct – Michael John Madden; 15 Oct – Erlinda Golingan, Daida Cautiga, Anna Staszek; 16 Oct – Betty Robinson; 17 Oct – James Donnellan.

Children's Liturgy returns next Sunday (17th October), at the 10.30am Mass, and then weekly after that. All children are welcome! If you have any questions or queries, please speak to Candida, or email her on PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

Women's Group on Thursday mornings: St Marie's has a parish group that is run by women, for women, and we meet at 11.00am on Thursdays mornings. The group is a great source of friendship, interesting discussion and support—with teas and coffees also available. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Candida in person, or on PPC@stmariecathedral.org. All ages welcome!

Teas & Coffees available after the 10.30am Mass: There is a chance to enjoy a chat over a cup of tea or coffee in Houlden Hall each Sunday, after the 10:30am Mass. Houlden Hall is on the floor immediately above the Nottingham Building Society; you will find the entrance immediately next to the Cathedral's main entrance. Please come and join us when you feel ready to—it's always good to talk! If you would like the opportunity to have a similar social after one of the other Sunday Masses, and you are prepared to help to make that happen, please contact Candida on PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

The Monday Over 60s Lunch Club has returned to the Parish Room! The group meets after the 12.30pm Mass on Mondays—if you are over 60 and would like to meet up with others, you are very welcome to come along!

Rosary Groups Restarting in the Parish—everyone welcome: The Holy Rosary is a very powerful form of prayer that teaches us to reflect deeply on 20 Mysteries surrounding Jesus. We are all urged to say it as often as possible: as a form of protection; to create peace in our families, societies and nations; and for the conversion of sinners. There is a group meeting in the Cathedral after the lunchtime Mass on Fridays, and another after the lunchtime Mass on Saturdays. Everyone is welcome to join in!

Opening of the Synodal Process in the Diocese of Hallam

Sunday 17th October, 4.30pm



Pope Francis has asked all the members of the Church throughout the whole world to get involved in the next Synod. In the Diocese of Hallam we plan to begin our journeying in prayer. Bishop Ralph would like to invite you to join people from all over the diocese in a special liturgy at St Marie's Cathedral at 4.30pm on Sunday 17th October. This will also be live-streamed on the [Cathedral's YouTube channel](#). Even if you cannot be there in person, please remember to pray that all of us may be open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

For further information about the Synod, please e-mail synod@hallam-diocese.com

The next Baptism Preparation course will be on Monday 1st November, starting at 6.00pm (after the 5.30pm Mass) in the Cathedral. Registration forms are available after one of the Masses, from a steward or the Priest, or from the Cathedral office. Please note that this will be the last preparation course before Christmas, so if you wish your child to be baptised at St Marie's, please do fill in and return the registration form.

World Mission Sunday—24th October 2021: World Mission Sunday is when the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for Missio, the Holy See's charity to help missionaries throughout the world. This year, it is on Sunday 24th October. There will be a second collection taken at the Masses of that weekend, so please give whatever you can to support this work! Gift aid envelopes are available at the back of church, or you can visit <https://missio.org.uk/donate/> to give online. For our diocese, a live-streamed Mass will be celebrated at 12 noon at St Peter in Chains, Doncaster, on Saturday 16th October. If you would like to have a red mission box, to keep your small change donations in throughout the year, please contact the Cathedral office, leaving your name and contact details, which will then be passed to Maureen Finnigan, the parish representative for Missio.

The St Cecilia Schola (ladies' Gregorian chant group) will begin meeting again from this Monday (11th October). Rehearsals are at 6.00pm on Mondays. If you are interested, please contact Lucy Hazell via email (scholacantorumsanctamariaeshef@gmail.com) or telephone (07816 930666).

Cathedral Choir—New Members Welcome! Happily, as Covid restrictions ease, we are able to safely accommodate more people and are looking to expand the Cathedral Choir. The Choir is an important and enjoyable ministry, giving opportunities to enhance the liturgy for others and to deepen one's own faith and spirituality. All voices are welcome, though we would be delighted to increase our male section. We have a varied repertoire encompassing both traditional and modern church music. The Choir rehearses on Thursday evenings (7.30-9.00pm) and sings at the 10.30am Mass every Sunday, as well as at the major liturgical events of the Church's year. If you are interested, please see Robert Webb after Sunday Mass, or contact him by e-mail (robertwebb1968@gmail.com).

SPUC Coffee Morning: on Saturday 16th October at Mother of God Church (260 Abbeydale Road, S7 1FL) there will be a coffee morning to raise funds for SPUC (Society for the Protection of Unborn Children). It will start after the 10.00am morning Mass. For further information, please contact Celia on 07815 820052.

Changes to Mass schedule this week: Please note that there will be no 5.30pm Masses on Thursday 14th or Friday 15th October this week.

Opposing the Assisted Dying Bill

In the next weeks, we face an unprecedented attack on the sanctity of life, as the “Assisted Dying Bill 2021” is due its second reading in the House of Lords with full debate on Friday 22nd October. If legalised, this Bill would allow a terminally ill adult with less than 6 months to live to be assisted in committing suicide. Catholic teaching opposes assisting suicide, since life is a gift to be cared for and preserved until its natural death. As Pope Francis has said, “Physician-assisted suicide is part of a ‘throwaway culture’ that offers a ‘false compassion’ and treats a human person as a problem... True compassion does not marginalise anyone, nor does it humiliate and exclude—much less considers the disappearance of a person as a good thing.”

Importantly, at this stage we need to argue the dangers of the introduction of assisted suicide, which include the safety of people who are vulnerable due to external pressures, and the later liberalisation of the law which is evidenced by other countries which have introduced assisted suicide. Many voices from the world of disability-rights and other allies are also very fearful and fighting this bill. Whilst there are clear arguments to support Catholic teachings, it is important to remember that this position is not only a matter of faith but also human reason. There are three important actions in the next weeks—praying, writing and sharing:

First: I ask you to pray that the Bill will be defeated.

Second: I ask you to write to the Peers (<https://www.parliament.uk/business/lords/whos-in-the-house-of-lords/get-in-touch-with-members/>) from your personal experience, and share stories which will argue the reasons for opposing the Bill as well as narrate the importance of precious time during the final stages of life.

Third: I ask you to engage and share stories and reasons against the Bill on social media.

Briefing papers will be available on the Bishops’ Conference website (<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/>) to help with this. Be assured of my prayers.

Rt Rev John Sherrington
Lead Bishop for Life Issues, CBCEW