



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

Cathedral House, Norfolk Street, Sheffield, S1 2JB



Office Hours: Mon–Fri, 9.00am–12.30pm & 1.30–4.30pm (*closed Fri afternoon*)

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4th Sunday of Advent (C)

19th to 26th December 2021

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 Tit 2:11-14 G Lk 2:1-14 Dawn I Isa 62:11-12 Ps 96:1+6, 11-12
II Tit 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*

MASSES AT ST MARIE'S CATHEDRAL

Saturday 18: 4th Sunday of Advent (Vigil)

5.30pm Agnieszka Bugajska (recently deceased)

Sunday 19: 4th Sunday of Advent

8.30am Matthew & Lucy Hazell (intentions)

10.30am People of the Parishes

12.30pm Patrick Morrissette (R.I.P.)

6.30pm November Memorial List

Monday 20: 20 December

8.00am Thomas Wing (sick)

12.30pm **Funeral Mass** (Maria Bajowski)

5.30pm Murray family (special intention)

Tuesday 21: 21 December

8.00am Martin Bearn (R.I.P.)

12.30pm Lizy Raju (birthday)

5.30pm Ann (recently deceased)

Wednesday 22: 22 December

8.00am Thomas Bowers (sick)

12.30pm Bernard Dunn (R.I.P.)

5.30pm Jessie Durham (R.I.P.)

Thursday 23: 23 December

8.00am Pauline West (recently deceased)

12.30pm Marilyn Devereux (recently deceased)

5.30pm John Menezes (R.I.P.)

Friday 24: 24 December (Morning)

8.00am In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

12.30pm Lisha (intentions)

✠ Friday 24: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (VIGIL) ✠

5.30pm People of the Parishes

✠ Saturday 25: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD ✠

Midnight For the Preservation of Peace and Justice

8.30am Rodin (birthday)

10.30am James & Margaret Courtney (R.I.P.)

12.30pm Manuel Josol (anniversary)

6.30pm Private intention

Sunday 26: HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

8.30am Alekuty Philipose (anniversary)

10.30am Harry & Teresa Pavey (R.I.P.)

12.30pm Zosima Apat (R.I.P.)

6.30pm People of the Parishes

MASSES AT OUR LADY & ST OSWALD'S

Sunday 19: 4th Sunday of Advent

9.45am John, Molly & Peter Brett (R.I.P.)

✠ Friday 24: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (VIGIL)

6.00pm Arnold Congreves

Sunday 26: HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

9.45am Family & Friends of Norma & Graham
Thickett

MASSES AT HOLY FAMILY

Sunday 19: 4th Sunday of Advent

11.00am Parish Intentions

✠ Friday 24: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (VIGIL)

7.30pm People of the Parish

Sunday 26: HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

11.00am Parish Intentions

SVÄTÁ OMŠA V SLOVENČINE (SLOVAK MASS) – CATHEDRAL

Nedeľa 19: 4. adventná nedeľa

3.00pm Parish Intentions

✠ Piatok 24: NARODENIE PÁNA (VIGÍLIA)

3.00pm Parish Intentions

Nedeľa 26: SVÄTEJ RODINY JEŽIŠA, MÁRIE A JOZEFA

3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sacrament of Confession *Monday–Friday, 11.30am–12.15pm*

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament *Monday–Friday, 11.30am–12.15pm*

Rosary *Friday, after the 12.30pm Mass*

We pray for Rev Mr Derek Wynne, Mary Donlon, Marylou Jennings-Taylor, Rose Parkinson, Pauline West, 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), Elizabeth Dillop, Kay Worsnop, Vladimir Korbar Jr, Jean Hegarty, Sheena Clarke, Rima Lattash, Margaret & John Whitehead, Catherine, Angela Eddy, Mary Parkinson, Kevin Worsnop, Thomas Wing, Thomas Bowers 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: 19 Dec – Alan Richard Baker; 21 Dec – John Lloyd; 22 Dec – Canon David Ryan; 23 Dec – Roman Jezierski; 25 Dec – Manuel Josol.

Are You a Good Listener? Our synodal journey is all about becoming a 'Listening Church'. We want to listen to the contributions of as many people as possible, and with this in mind, we would like to recruit as many different Parish Listeners as possible. Not everybody who attends St Marie's feels comfortable speaking in English, so if you speak other languages, please let us know; we need you! Please contact Candida on PPC@stmariecathedral.org with your offer of help—thank you.

Important Notice—Changes to Mass Times

Fr Patrick has been appointed by the Bishop to the Parishes of St Joseph's, Wath and St Joseph's, Rawmarsh. In order to ensure that Masses are able to continue in each of the three parishes under Fr Chris's care, there will need to be some minimal changes to weekend Masses at each church for the foreseeable future:

- **At Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald's**, the Sunday morning Mass will be moved to 9.15am.
- **At Holy Family**, the Sunday morning Mass will be replaced by a Saturday Vigil Mass.
- **At the Cathedral**, there will no longer be a Saturday Vigil Mass and the 8.30am Sunday morning Mass will move to 8.00am. This Mass will be a quiet Mass for those wanting to ensure social distancing.

These changes to the Mass times allow Fr Chris, when necessary, to cover all the Masses himself, though the Bishop will help whenever possible, covering up to two of the weekend Masses when he is available. Weekday Masses will continue at the normal times for now, again with the help of the Bishop and other supply priests. However, in spite of everyone's best efforts, there may be a couple of missing weekday Masses some weeks, so please make sure to check the bulletin.

These arrangements will be effective from 1st/2nd January 2022 and will be kept under review. We are very grateful Fr Chris feels able to manage these arrangements, which do represent a challenging workload. Please keep him and all the parish communities in your prayers.

The Advent Prayer Group will be on Tuesday 21st December, from 7.00-8.00pm in the Cathedral. Everyone is welcome!

Last Children's Liturgy for the year—this Sunday, at the 10.30 Mass: This will be our last Children's Liturgy before having a 2 week Christmas break; all children are welcome to join us! Please meet Candida at the baptismal font at the start of Mass (or ring the bell for Houlden Hall if you arrive a little late). Every week, including the holidays, you will find family friendly scripture resources available on our website, including a Gospel-based activity sheet, some wonderful sing-along worship songs and a suitable Liturgy of the Word video for children. Wishing all our children, and their families, a wonderful and blessed Christmas!
<https://stmariecathedral.org/mass-worship/childrens-ministry/>

Office opening times: The Cathedral office is open as normal this week, but will close at 12.30pm on Friday 24th December until Tuesday 4th January.

Next Parish Pastoral Council Meeting—Wednesday 5th January: We would like to thank those of you who bring their observations, questions and concerns to our attention. It is much appreciated! Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 5th January. If you wish to contribute something, or indeed, come along as a guest, please get in touch with Niall, the PPC Secretary, on PPC@stmariecathedral.org. Thank you.

What blessings do you want to give thanks to God for, this Advent? It's been another difficult year for almost everyone, and many are living with concerns and fears about what the future may hold. Yet in amongst the challenges we have faced, there have been so many wonderful blessings too! As Christmas approaches, we now invite you to spend a few moments to reflect on your blessings, and to post a little note or prayer to God on our Blessings Noticeboard at the back of Church. The children have made a start to show us how it is done (they are always so full of joy!), so please take a look and add your contribution too. The PPC wish you all a very Happy Christmas, as we celebrate the birth of Jesus—God's gift of Love, Light and Peace to us!

Christmas flowers: If you would like to contribute towards the flowers for Christmas, please bring your donations of either fresh flowers or money in this week for the flower team. Many thanks in anticipation.

Ever thought about becoming an Altar Server at St Marie's? Here's your chance! We will be putting on some Server training early in the New Year, and now invite you to register your interest. There are opportunities to serve at both the weekday, and the weekend Masses, so this invitation is open to children who have made their First Holy Communion all the way through to adults of retirement age. For the chance to be included on this training, please send your name and contact details to Candida on PPC@stmariecathedral.org to register. Thank you.

Practice Tuning into the Holy Spirit: As we journey together to become a Listening Church, we invite you to practice tuning into what the Holy Spirit has to say to you, personally. Scripture is the best place to start! As we prepare our hearts for the coming of our Saviour this Advent, create a little space to read the Word of God daily. Read it slowly. After a period of silence, read it again. Identify any words or phrases that stick out for you. Then quietly ask the Holy Spirit to help you understand the message he has for you today, giving him a few moments of silence and stillness to allow him to respond. You can find the readings for each day on our website (<https://stmariecathedral.org/mass-worship/todays-readings/>) or pick up a copy of *My Day by Day* for the month from the Cathedral's shop for just £1.

Weekday Stewards Needed to Offer a Warm Welcome: We currently have a few vacancies in our Weekday Stewarding Team, and would also welcome offers to help cover Mondays and Wednesdays. As well as being on hand to answer any questions people may have, there is scope to develop this role in a number of different directions to reflect your own personal interests. These opportunities could include light Sacristan duties, or learning more about the heritage of the Cathedral, or being a Parish Listener. To find out more, please speak to Candida—or contact her on PPC@stmariecathedral.org.



**Why should I be honoured
with a visit from the mother of my Lord?
For the moment your greeting reached my ears,
the child in my womb leapt for joy.**

Luke 1:43-44