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

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4th Sunday of Lent (C)

27th March to 3rd April 2022

Readings: Cathedral: ***I*** *1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a* ***Ps*** *22:1-3a, 3b-4, 5-6.* ℟ *1* ***II*** *Eph 5:8-14* ***G*** *Jn 9:1-41*
Other Parishes: ***I*** *Josh 5:9a, 10-12* ***Ps*** *33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7.* ℟ *9a* ***II*** *2 Cor 5:17-21* ***G*** *Lk 15:1-3, 11-32*
Next Sunday: Cathedral: ***I*** *Ezk 37:12-14* ***Ps*** *129:1-2, 3-4ab, 4c-6, 7-8.* ℟ *7* ***II*** *Rom 8:8-11* ***G*** *Jn 11:1-45*
Other Parishes: ***I*** *Isa 43:16-21* ***Ps*** *125:1-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6.* ℟ *3* ***II*** *Phil 3:8-14* ***G*** *Jn 8:1-11*

Cathedral

Sunday 27 March: 4th Sunday of Lent
8.00am November Memorial List
10.30am Margaret Brooks (anniversary)
12.30pm Tadeusz Skrzypczak (anniversary)
6.30pm For Peace in the Ukraine

Monday 28: Monday in Week 4 of Lent
8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm Special intention
5.30pm The Wood family (intentions)

Tuesday 29: Tuesday in Week 4 of Lent
8.00am For Peace in the Ukraine
12.30pm Rev Fr Mark McManus (birthday intentions)
5.30pm November Memorial List

Wednesday 30: Wednesday in Week 4 of Lent
8.00am Pulikunnu & Thattamthara families
12.30pm Joel (anniversary)
5.30pm For Peace in the Ukraine

Thursday 31: Thursday in Week 4 of Lent
8.00am Thanickal Maani
12.30pm November Memorial List
5.30pm **NO MASS**

Friday 1 April: Friday in Week 4 of Lent
8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm George Pinder (sick)
5.30pm For the Diocesan Phase of the Synod

Saturday 2: Saturday in Week 4 of Lent
8.00am Matthew & Lucy Hazell (intentions)
12.30pm For Peace in the Ukraine

Next Weekend – Cathedral

Sunday 3: 5th Sunday of Lent
8.00am November Memorial List
10.30am People of the Parishes
12.30pm George Pinder (sick)
6.30pm The Calvert family (intentions)

Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

Sunday 27 March: 4th Sunday of Lent
9.15am Kazimierz Kulpa (R.I.P.)

Sunday 3 April: 5th Sunday of Lent
9.15am Danny, Katy & Owen McKernan (R.I.P)

Holy Family

Saturday 26 March: 4th Sunday of Lent (Vigil)
6.00pm People of the Parishes

Saturday 2 April: 5th Sunday of Lent (Vigil)
6.00pm November Memorial List

Svätá Omša v slovenčine (*Slovak Mass*) – Cathedral

Sunday 27 March: 4. pôstna nedeľa
3.00pm Patricia Horvathova (special intention)

Sunday 3 April: 5. pôstna nedeľa
3.00pm Bruna Gabčová (R.I.P.)

Sacrament of Confession ..... *Monday–Saturday, 11.30am–12.15pm*
..... *(Please note that **Confessions are now being heard in the confessionals again**)*

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament ..... *Mon & Tue, Thu–Sat, 11.30am–12.15pm*
..... *Saturday, after 8.00am Mass (with Benediction)*

Rosary ..... *Friday and Saturday, after 12.30pm Mass*

We pray for Ronald Hepplewhite, and all those who have died recently.

Please remember in your prayers our sick: 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, Rima Lattash, Margaret & John Whitehead, Catherine, Angela Eddy, Mary Parkinson, Kevin Worsnop, Liam, Dee Wright, Emma Green, Damian Osako, 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.

Children's Liturgy this Sunday, at the 10.30 Mass: All children are welcome to join Candida for their own special Liturgy of the Word during the 10.30am Mass; please meet her at the baptismal font at the start of Mass (or ring the bell for Houlden Hall if you arrive a little late). Alternatively, we have family friendly scripture resources available on our website each week, including a Gospel-based activity sheet, sing-along worship songs and the latest video instalment of the Mark 10 Mission for Children: https://stmariecathedral.org/mass-worship/childrens-ministry/

An Appeal for Assistants to Help with Children's Liturgy: We are delighted to see so many children now attending Children's Liturgy! In order to help with the numbers now coming, we need to expand our current team of assistants. Duties will be mostly around helping to safely move children to and from Houlden Hall, but can be expanded over time. If you would like to formally join the team, please speak to Candida. In the meantime, we will require a few more parents to attend with their child or children from time to time; please check with Candida on the day. Thank you.

Stations of the Cross—every Tuesday during Lent: Joseph Durham and Michael Jackson have volunteered to lead a Stations of the Cross event after Mass on Tuesdays during the Lenten period; everyone is welcome to join them! To find out more about the Stations of the Cross as a Catholic devotion, please check out our website here: https://stmariecathedral.org/mass-worship/stations-of-the-cross/

Journey in Faith 2021-22: This week's Journey in Faith session will be on Friday 1st April, from 7.00-8.30pm, in Houlden Hall.

Lenten Prayer Hour—every Tuesday evening: There will be a weekly Prayer Hour at St Marie's Cathedral during Lent every Tuesday, from 7.00-8.00pm.

Activities of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) during 2021: The PPC have now issued their annual statement, summarising what they did in the Parish in 2021. Copies of this are available at the back of Church - please take a copy and have a good read of it! We are all the People of God, and there is much work to do; if you would like to get more involved in the Parish, we would love to hear from you! Please get in touch with the PPC on PPC@stmariecathedral.org, or by talking to one of our PPC members.

Lenten Talks at St Marie's: 4th–6th April 2022: We are delighted to announce that our Lenten Talks will be back in the Cathedral this year, and that they will also be live-streamed. Liam Riley (from Youth 2000) will speak about God's Forgiveness on Monday 4th April, Deacon Henry Woodhouse will speak about Jesus in the Eucharist on Tuesday 5th April, and our very own Deacon Paul Green will give the talk on Wednesday 6th April. All talks are 30 minutes long and will begin at 7.00pm, after which there will be 15 minutes of Adoration. Lenten Talks offer us all a wonderful opportunity to nurture our spiritual lives during this important season, so please engage with them either in person, or by watching the livestream.

Holy Week Witness (Cross) at the Town Hall—Returns This Year: After an absence of two years due to Covid, there will once again be a Prayer Station around the Cross during Holy Week, with the Sheffield City Centre churches all participating. The Cross will be staffed from 11.00am–3.00pm during Holy Week (Monday 11th–Saturday 16th April), and there is a sign-up sheet at the back of the Cathedral for those who wish to volunteer to spend an hour collecting prayers and witnessing to the love of God. For further details, please contact Stephen Ramshaw (stephen.ramshaw@churcharmy.org).

Next week, there will be a second collection for the Diocesan Appeal for LIFE. Please be as generous as you are able to be in support of the vital work LIFE carries out for pregnancy and maternity support (www.lifecharity.org.uk).

Friendly Weekday Stewards needed for Monday and Thursday lunchtimes! Our wonderful Weekday Stewarding team provide a much valued service to both parishioners and visitors to St Marie's. They volunteer their time to give that all-important friendly smile and warm welcome, as well as to help with queries, purchases and any problems that may arise. At present, we currently have vacancies on Monday and Thursday lunchtimes, and would like to appeal for more volunteers to join the team. Full training will be given. If you think you can help, please contact Candida on: PPC@stmariecathedral.org. Thank you!

Introducing—the Christian Village of St Marie's: A wonderful group of 30+ parishioners have got together to begin an exciting, new initiative, called the Christian Village of St Marie's (CVSM for short). CVSM has now met twice, and will continue to meet once a month; they are now warmly inviting us all to join them! The purpose of the Village is to share the Word of God, get to know each other better, and to give friendship, help and support to one another. And it has been set up for all of us - young and old, those who live as families and those who live alone. The next meeting will take place on Saturday 2nd April at 6pm, in St Marie's Houlden Hall. It includes a shared supper, so please bring a food contribution if you can. For more information, please speak to Rafid or Valeria (10.30am Mass), or send them a message via Candida on PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

Act of Consecration of Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary: We give thanks and praise to God for all those who were able to pray the Rosary with us at the War Memorial on Friday, and who supported the Bishop with prayers and the formal the Act of Consecration at the Cathedral afterwards. Prayer is powerful, so please continue to pray for Russia and Ukraine! In particular, we ask God to forgive all humanity for the brutality of war, and to grant Ukraine and Russia peace.

2022 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Friday 24th June–Thursday 30th June (6 nights), £765.00 Full Board, flying from Doncaster Airport. Insurance is £33. No tests or forms are required for travel—pilgrims just need to be fully vaccinated and have the NHS Covid Travel Pass. The Booking Form can be downloaded from www.hallam-lourdes.com, or you can email hallamlourdespilgrimage@gmail.com or telephone 01302 247910 / 07724 650066 for a form. Places are still available, but booking forms need to be submitted ASAP, as the charter flight is filling up quickly. A small group from the diocese went to Lourdes in February to make the arrangements and it felt very safe. The only thing missing in our plans are the remaining pilgrims, volunteer helpers (no experience required), doctors and nurses—so if you are interested, please apply now!

New Youth Group starting: Candida will be starting a New Youth Group in April, thanks to funding provided by Caritas Hallam. If you would like to find out more, please contact her on PPC@stmariecathedral.org to find out more.

Lenten items are now available in the bookshop—please take a look! Coming soon: Mother's Day and Easter cards. We are also now selling pre-loved books, including some in Polish. If you have any religious reading that you have finished with, that is in good condition and that you think others will enjoy, please bring them in and leave them for the attention of Margaret (please do not put them out on the shelves). Please continue to fill in a slip with any requests/suggestions for the bookshop if there is anything particular you would like us to try and get for you.

A Notice from the Parish Finance Subcommittee

The summary accounts for last year are now available. Please take time to consider them. We rely on your continued financial support for the upkeep of the Cathedral and clergy.

There are many ways to continue to make your financial contribution to support the parish:

- We have introduced card reader machines for those who prefer electronic payments – these are available at the end of each Sunday Mass.
- You can also make a debit or credit card payment online: go to https://stmariecathedral.mydona.com/ or use the "Dona" button on the Cathedral website. (Please note there is a charge for this service which is deducted from donations before they are paid to the parish). Donations made this way can be gift aided.
- 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.
- If you are doing more of your shopping online, please consider using "Easy Fundraising" (https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/). Whatever transactions you do online, 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. They will then pay a percentage of the value of your shop to St Marie's. It is really that simple and that worthwhile.

Thank you very much for your continued generosity and support!