



**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, 9.30am–12.30pm & 1.30–4.30pm

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**2nd Sunday of Lent (B)**  
*25th February to 3rd March 2024*

**Readings:** *I Gen 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Ps 115:10+15, 16-17, 18-19. R 114:9 II Rom 8:31b-34 G Mk 9:2-10*

**Next Sunday:** *I Ex 17:3-7 Ps 94:1-2, 6-7, 8-9. R 8 II Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 G Jn 4:5-42*

*Readings can also be found at <http://universalis.com/Europe.England.Hallam/mass.htm> or on the Universalis app*

**Cathedral**

**Sunday 25 February: 2nd Sunday of Lent**

8.00am Simon & Dominic Burrell (R.I.P.)  
10.30am Cynthia Waters (intentions)  
12.30pm Maureen Ijeoma Nwakamma (recently deceased)  
6.30pm People of the Parishes

**Monday 26: Monday in Week 2 of Lent**

8.00am Radeline & family (intentions)  
12.30pm Family & Friends of Gerry Fitzgerald  
5.30pm November Memorial List

**Tuesday 27: Tuesday in Week 2 of Lent**

8.00am Ronny, Mike, David & Angela (intentions)  
12.30pm Edi & Tiji (special intention)  
5.30pm Joey Brett (recently deceased)

**Wednesday 28: Wednesday in Week 2 of Lent**

8.00am November Memorial List  
12.30pm **Funeral Mass** (Anthony John Kent)  
5.30pm Ann Dempsey (anniversary)

**Thursday 29: Thursday in Week 2 of Lent**

8.00am Paul Hazell (sick)  
12.30pm Special intention (B.A. & family)  
5.30pm Ellen Helliwell (anniversary)

**Friday 1 March: ST DAVID**

8.00am November Memorial List  
12.30pm Jerry & Denis Daly (anniversary)  
5.30pm Teresa Pavey (anniversary)

**Saturday 2: Saturday in Week 2 of Lent**

8.00am Joey Brett (recently deceased)  
12.30pm Justin, Joshua & Neige (R.I.P.)

**Next Weekend – Cathedral**

**Sunday 3: 3rd Sunday of Lent**

8.00am November Memorial List  
10.30am People of the Parishes  
12.30pm Anthony Gallagher (recently deceased)  
6.30pm Rev Mgr James O'Brien (intentions)

**Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald**

**Sunday 25 February: 2nd Sunday of Lent**

9.15am Stephanie Kuzakwawo (birthday intentions)

**Sunday 3 March: 3rd Sunday of Lent**

9.15am People of the Parish

**Holy Family**

**Sunday 25 February: 2nd Sunday of Lent**

10.30am Parish Intentions

**Sunday 3 March: 3rd Sunday of Lent**

10.30am Parish Intentions

**Svätá Omša v slovenčine**

**(Slovak Mass) – St Charles Borromeo**

**Sunday 25 February: 2. pôstna nedeľa**

3.00pm Parish Intentions

**Sunday 3 March: 3. pôstna nedeľa**

3.00pm Pater Ivan Barus & streaming team (intentions)

<b>Sacrament of Confession</b> .....	<i>Tuesday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm (No Confessions on Monday 26 February)</i>
<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b> .....	<i>Tuesday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm Saturday: after 8.00am Mass (with Benediction)</i>
<b>Rosary</b> .....	<i>Friday &amp; Saturday: after the 12.30pm Mass</i>
<b>Stations of the Cross</b> .....	<i>Tuesdays during Lent, after the 12.30pm Mass Fridays during Lent, after the 5.30pm Mass</i>
<b>Adoration and Prayer Group</b> .....	<i>2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 6.00pm (next one 28th February)</i>
<b>Lord's Prayer Faith Sharing Group</b> .....	<i>Tuesdays during Lent, after the 5.30pm Mass</i>

**We pray** for Colette Swain, Anthony John Kent, Jim O'Kane, Pat O'Connor (Lintott), and all those who have died recently.

**Please remember in your prayers our sick:** Helen Carroll, Gloria Welsh, Elizabeth Dillop, Jean Hegarty, Rima Lattash, Margaret & John Whitehead, Angela Eddy, Mary Parkinson, Kevin Worsnop, Emma Green, Damian Osako, Patricia Allen, Mary Worsnop, Jean Rogers, Kingsley Owomero, Margaret Smith, Anthony Gallagher, Charles Teti, Liam Blayney, Yvonne O'Donovan, Gabriel Ofodile Okafor, Margaret Brennan, Diana, Karen Parry, 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:** 25 Feb – Rev Fr Hubert Bamber; 28 Feb – Derek Fodor, Ann Dempsey; 29 Feb – Ellen Helliwell; 1 Mar – Canon Leonard Rout, Rev Fr Thomas Keegan.

**Health & Safety Matters:** If you wish to raise any issues regarding health and safety at St Marie's, please e-mail [healthandsafety@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:healthandsafety@stmariecathedral.org).

**Each Sunday after the 10.30am Mass there is an opportunity to get together with other parishioners over a cup of coffee or tea.** Please join us, whether you are a regular member of the congregation or a visitor. Refreshments are served in the Houlden Hall (1st floor of the building next door to the church), and we look forward to getting to know you better – all welcome!

**Children's Liturgy at the 10:30am Mass:** During term-time each week, we share and discuss the Gospel, and nurture the hearts and minds of our youngest parishioners in the Truth and the Light that is Jesus. Please meet Candida and the team at the baptismal font at the start of Mass, or ring the bell for Houlden Hall if you are running late. If your child is under five years old, please come along to help and support them.

**Bookshop:** A small selection of general Mass intention cards and sympathy Mass intention cards will be available during office hours from the Cathedral office (front door opposite Crucible). If there is anything you particularly need, please e-mail [finance1889@gmail.com](mailto:finance1889@gmail.com) and Margaret Helliwell will arrange to get it to you.

**Weekday Welcomers and Readers – more volunteers needed:** We are currently looking for more volunteers to join our weekday Welcoming and Reading Ministries. Both ministries are a wonderful way to work for the Lord, and to serve our local community. To find out more, please speak to Candida or Joseph Durham, or send an email to [PPC@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:PPC@stmariecathedral.org).

**Next Parish Pastoral Council Meeting—Tuesday 5th March, 7.30pm:** If you wish to bring something to the PPC's attention, or come along as a guest, please get in touch with Niall, the PPC Secretary, on [PPC@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:PPC@stmariecathedral.org). Thank you.

**“We Dare to Say”—A Lenten Faith Sharing and Fellowship Group (Tuesdays, after 5.30pm Mass):** As part of the preparation for the upcoming Jubilee Year, during Lent, there will be a faith sharing group and fellowship after the 5.30pm Mass on Tuesdays, focussed on The Lord’s Prayer. The next meeting is on Tuesday 27th February. All are welcome to come and pray together, share and reflect on the Scriptures together, and mutually support each other during our Lenten preparations for Easter!

**Wednesday Adoration & Prayer Group, 6.00pm:** The Adoration and Prayer Group that currently meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, with the next one on Wednesday 28th February at 6.00pm. This Holy Hour takes place directly after the 5.30pm Mass, and is a wonderful opportunity for us to spend some time with our Lord Jesus—present in the Eucharist—in adoration, prayer and praise! Everyone is welcome!

**Stations of the Cross During Lent – Tuesdays at 1.00pm, and Fridays at 6.00pm:** There will be two opportunities to get involved with praying the Stations of the Cross as a parish community during Lent: immediately after the 12.30pm Mass on Tuesdays, and immediately after the 5.30pm Mass on Fridays. Booklets will be provided. Thank you to all the volunteers who are stepping up and enabling this to happen!

**Little Fishes free playgroup in Houlden Hall, Wednesdays (term-time), 10.30am–12.00pm:** Parents and carers are invited to bring their 0 to 3-year-olds to Houlden Hall on Wednesday mornings for play, snacks and singing! Please ring the bell for St Marie’s Norfolk Chambers (right next to the Cathedral’s main entrance) and you will be let in.

**St Marie’s School coming to help us at the 12.30pm Mass on Sunday 25th February:** Next Sunday, children from St Marie’s School will help lead our 12.30pm Mass. We would especially like to encourage all families with a connection to St Marie’s School to join us at this time! For further information, please speak to Candida or email her on [PPC@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:PPC@stmariecathedral.org).

**Good Shepherd Youth – next session Saturday 9th March, 4.00-7.00pm:** Good Shepherd Youth is open to all secondary aged young people, whether they come to Church or not, and always involves Jesus, pizza and games. For more information, please contact Candida on [GoodShepherd@hallam-diocese.com](mailto:GoodShepherd@hallam-diocese.com).

**Little Fishes—request for Ride-on Toys & Dressing Up Clothes:** We would love to have some more ride-on toys for our ‘Little Fishes’ toddler group, and any dressing up clothes that your children/grandchildren may no longer need. Donations can be brought into church and given to a Steward; alternatively, please send an email to Candida to arrange a suitable time for collection: [PPC@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:PPC@stmariecathedral.org).

**Let’s pray together for Sheffield with Arise:March:** Since 2021, over 100 churches from across Sheffield have been arising together each March to prayer-walk every street in our city, using a special Arise prayer-walking app. Join the Arise community to receive your invitation to the Arise:March Launch event, your link to the prayer-walking app, and additional tools to help you make the most of the month of March. Sign up now at [www.AriseSheffield.org](http://www.AriseSheffield.org).

**St Marie’s Job Seekers Group—next meeting Wednesday 6th March, 1.00pm:** We are One Church, One Family. This group offers practical help, encouragement and coaching support to anyone trying to find new or better employment, or seeking sponsorship in the UK. If you would like to join us, please meet Candida by the Baptismal Font after Mass, or ring the bell for St Marie’s Houlden Hall. (Houlden Hall is in Norfolk Chambers, directly above the Nottingham Building Society; you will find the bell is between the cashpoint and the main entrance to the Cathedral). We look forward to seeing you there! You can also email Candida on [PPC@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:PPC@stmariecathedral.org).

**Christ has no body now on earth but yours, no hands but yours, no feet by yours... What is He calling you to do?** “Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good”. (1 Corinthians 12:47).

**Team of people needed to help cover up the statues in St Marie’s—Saturday 16th March:** Traditionally, all the statues in Catholic churches are covered up for the final 2 weeks of Lent. At St Marie’s, this is quite a big task, and this year, we are asking for volunteers to help us: could that be you? If so, please speak to either Candida or Eileen, or email the PPC on [PPC@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:PPC@stmariecathedral.org). Thank you.

**More Welcomers / Stewards needed to join the Sunday 10.30pm Mass Team:** Our existing Stewarding team would welcome having some additional help on Sunday mornings. If you are able to get to Mass at least 20 minutes beforehand, please consider volunteering once or twice a month. Jobs include handing out the music sheets and newsletters, giving people a warm welcome, and supporting the Lead Steward with their other duties. Please speak to one of the stewarding team, or email Candida on [PPC@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:PPC@stmariecathedral.org).

**St Marie’s Social Media Ministry – looking for a team of volunteers:** At our last PPC meeting, Mark Linfitt shared with us that he will be stepping down from the PPC at the end of Lent – and from his role managing the Cathedral’s Facebook page. We are sincerely grateful for his help over the many years he has served our community, and ask that God bless his next chapter of life abundantly. We are now looking for some volunteers to help us manage and further develop our Facebook and Instagram offerings, both of which are important channels of communication in this day and age. To offer your help – even in a small way – please speak to Candida or email the PPC on [PPC@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:PPC@stmariecathedral.org). Thank you.

**Weekday Welcomers needed for Tuesdays and Wednesdays:** Our welcoming Ministry is an important expression of God’s love for the people who come into our church, and when we put ourselves in God’s hands, amazing things can happen! To explore more about this ministry, and whether or not you can help in some capacity (it doesn’t have to be every week), please speak to Candida – or email her on [PPC@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:PPC@stmariecathedral.org). Thank you.

**Listen to the Whole Gospel according to St Mark:** If you were not quite ready to embark of the whole ‘Bible in a Year’ journey in 2024, how about listening to the whole of the Gospel of St Mark for Lent? On Day 154 to Day 161 of the Bible in a Year podcast, Fr Mike Schmitz reads and explains this entire Gospel, in accessible 25 minute episodes. The podcast is available on all the major Apps, and on YouTube (with subtitles): just search ‘Bible in a Year Fr Mike’. There is also a useful overview to the Gospel of St Mark: just search: ‘Messianic Checkpoint: The Gospel of Mark (with Jeff Cavins) – 2022’.

**Saint of the Week – St Oswald, Christian warrior king of Northumbria:** On the 28th February, we remember St Oswald, an Anglo Saxon king of Northumbria who was exiled to Scotland by a rival king. Whilst in exile, he learned the Christian faith from Celtic monks and was baptised on the island of Iona – still a place of pilgrimage today. On the death of his rival in the year 633, Oswald returned to Northumbria to try and claim back his father’s kingdom. St Bede writes about him 100 years later, and tells us how Oswald set a large wooden cross in the ground, and kneeling down, prayed to God that He would send them heavenly aid. Summoning his army with a loud cry, he asked them all to kneel and to ask the true and living God Almighty for His protection. Battle then commenced, and Oswald regained his kingdom. He then sent for missionaries from Iona to help convert his mostly pagan army and kingdom, even interpreting the word of God into the local language so his nobles and leaders could understand. He died in a later battle, aged 35 years, praying for his bodyguard who were killed as they tried to protect him.

#### Security

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

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