

# 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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# 3rd Sunday of Lent (B)

3rd to 10th March 2024

Readings: I Ex 17:3-7 Ps 94:1-2, 6-7, 8-9.  $\cancel{R}$  8 II Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 G Jn 4:5-42 Next Sunday: I 1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a Ps 22:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6.  $\cancel{R}$  1 II Eph 5:8-14 G Jn 9:1-41

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

### Cathedral

Sunday 3: 3rd Sunday of Lent

8.00am Anthony Gallagher (recently deceased)

10.30am People of the Parishes

12.30pm Vania Ferreira (in thanksgiving)

6.30pm Rev Mgr James O'Brien (intentions)

Monday 4: Monday in Week 3 of Lent

8.00am Joey Brett (recently deceased)

12.30pm Rev Fr Antony Hayne (recently deceased)

5.30pm November Memorial List

Tuesday 5: Tuesday in Week 3 of Lent

8.00am November Memorial List

12.30pm Special intention (B.A. & family) 5.30pm Frantisek Vranovic (anniversary)

Wednesday 6: Wednesday in Week 3 of Lent

8.00am Maria Cedola (birthday anniversary)
12.30pm Judy Dineen (recently deceased)
5.30pm Rev Fr John Delaney (anniversary)

Thursday 7: Thursday in Week 3 of Lent

8.00am Rev Fr Antony Hayne (recently deceased)
12.30pm Rev Mgr Stephen Sullivan (anniversary)

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

Friday 8: Friday in Week 3 of Lent

8.00am Paul Hazell (sick)

12.30pm Mai, Tom & Anne O'Connor (anniversary)

5.30pm November Memorial List

Saturday 9: Saturday in Week 3 of Lent

8.00am Rev Fr Walter Burke (anniversary)

12.30pm Paddy Murray (R.I.P.)

#### Next Weekend – Cathedral

Sunday 10: 4th Sunday of Lent

8.00am The Wood family (intentions)10.30am For All Mothers in the Parish12.30pm Gerald Miles (recently deceased)

6.30pm People of the Parishes

# Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

**Sunday 3: 3rd Sunday of Lent** 9.15am People of the Parish

Friday 8: Friday in Week 3 of Lent

9.45am Funeral Mass (Joan Perrozzi)

Sunday 10: 4th Sunday of Lent

9.15am Parish Intentions

## **Holy Family**

Sunday 3: 3rd Sunday of Lent

10.30am Parish Intentions

Sunday 10: 4th Sunday of Lent

10.30am Parish Intentions

<u>Svätá Omša v slovenčine</u> (Slovak Mass) – **St Charles Borromeo** 

Sunday 3: 3. pôstna nedeľa

3.00pm Pater Ivan Barus & streaming team (intentions)

**Sunday 10: 4. pôstna nedeľa** 3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sacrament of Confession	Monday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm
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Rosary	Friday & Saturday: after the 12.30pm Mass
	Tuesdays during Lent, after the 12.30pm MassFridays during Lent, after the 5.30pm Mass
Adoration and Prayer Group	2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 6.00pm (next one 14th March)
Lord's Prayer Faith Sharing Group	Tuesdays during Lent, after the 5.30pm Mass

**We pray** for Rev Fr Fr Antony Hayne, Joan Perrozzi, Colette Swain, Anthony John Kent, 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:** 3 Mar – Rev Fr Andrew Daly; 4 Mar – Rik Prowse; 5 Mar – Frantisek Vranovic; 6 Mar – Rev Fr John Delaney; 7 Mar – Rev Mgr Stephen Sullivan; 9 Mar – Angela Linfitt, Myrtle Middleton, Rev Fr Walter Burke.

**Health & Safety Matters:** If you wish to raise any issues regarding health and safety at St Marie's, please e-mail 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 <a href="mailto:finance1889@gmail.com">finance1889@gmail.com</a> and Margaret Helliwell will arrange to get it to you.

**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!

**Women's Group at St Marie's, each Thursday—welcoming new members:** The Women's Group meets every Thursday, and offers friendship and laughter, discussion and loving support – always over cups of tea and delicious cake and biscuits! Women of all ages are most welcome. If you would like to join us, please come along at 11.00am on Thursdays and we will meet you in the Cathedral by the piano.

**"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!

**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 <a href="PPC@stmariecathedral.org">PPC@stmariecathedral.org</a>. Thank you.

**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 <a href="mailto:GoodShepherd@hallam-diocese.com">GoodShepherd@hallam-diocese.com</a>.

"Awakening": Tuesday 5th March: "Awakening" is a Eucharistic Adoration initiative organised by Jesus Youth UK. As part of this, there will be Adoration from after the 8.00am Mass until the 5.30pm Mass (with a break for the 12.30pm Mass) all day on Tuesday 5th March here at St Marie's Cathedral. All are welcome to come and spend some time before Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament!

**During the season of Lent, it is traditional not to have flowers** either on the Sanctuary or at the shrines. Please save your money for the magnificent feast of Easter. As ever, the Flower Team will be grateful for donations of cash and flowers during Holy Week. Thanks to those who have already given donations.

**Guided Tours of St Marie's:** Our experienced guides are able to offer interesting and lively tours, describing both our beautiful building and Catholic Faith. Groups are welcome and tours usually take place on Wednesdays at 2.00pm. To book a tour, contact the Cathedral office (e-mail office@stmariecathedral.org, tel. 0114 272 2522).

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.

**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.

**New to St Marie's Cathedral? Here's how you can connect:** Welcome to St Marie's! In addition to the weekly newsletter we produce, we also encourage community and connection through our WhatsApp group, our Facebook page and through our parish groups. If you would like to find out more details of how to do this, please contact us on <a href="PPC@stmariecathedral.org">PPC@stmariecathedral.org</a>.

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 <a href="PPC@stmariecathedral.org">PPC@stmariecathedral.org</a>. 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 <a href="PPC@stmariecathedral.org">PPC@stmariecathedral.org</a>. Thank you.

Your Special Invitation—please join in with our citywide mission and prayer movement, Arise:March! Since 2021, over 1,000 believers from over 100 churches across Sheffield have been arising together each March to prayer-walk every street in our city, using the special Arise:March Prayer app. The aim is to cover our city in prayer, discover prayer needs, and recover the Good News of Easter for Sheffield. If you haven't tried it before, prayer-walking is a really powerful way to walk more closely with Jesus, and to join in with God's work in Sheffield. All you need to do to turn a walk into a prayer-walk is to talk to God as you walk along, and be receptive to what God might be saying to you in reply. Try walking with Jesus in a new way this month, by joining in with Arise:March. It's really easy to get involved: just sign up on the website by going to www.arisesheffield.org/join and you'll receive your link to the app, as well as invitations to prayer events and a guide to help you make the most of the month. You can also watch the official launch video here: https://youtu.be/df800sxmPjU?si=eLkZA1MkEAJQDcBW

Saint of the Week—St Frances of Rome: On Saturday 9th March, we remember St Frances - a wife, mother and mystic who lived in the 1400s, and whose calling had her staying firmly 'in the world', even though she had initially longed to be a nun. Frances was born into an aristocratic family, and was married against her wishes at the age of 13 years; fortunately, it ended up being a happy one. Once she had accepted that it was God's will she should be there, and she had found a supportive spiritual friend in her sister-in-law, the pair set about leading a life full of love and charity – despite the challenges of difficult family relationships, personal tragedy, and general disapproval given to them by society at that time. Frances had a strong sympathy for the sufferings of others, and during epidemics of plagues and civil war, she tended to the poor and the sick. The more acts of charity she performed, the more value she saw in a life of self-denial and service to the community. Miracles of provision were experienced, and further members of her family were converted. Together with other women in Rome, she set up a society in 1425 in aid of the poor and distressed, and later founded a community known as the Oblates of Mary. Frances was also one of the greatest mystics of the fifteenth century, and received visions of archangels sent by God to protect and counsel her. After her first vision, she could always see and talk to her guardian angel. She also had the supernatural gift of discernment of spirits, and the ability to perceive the thoughts of others - particularly their evil intent. St Frances of Rome, please help us to see the difference between what we want to do and what God wants us to do, and help us to take our place in serving our community. Amen.

#### Security

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