



**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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## **4th Sunday of Easter (B)**

*21st to 28th April 2024*

**Readings:** *I Acts 4:8-12 Ps 117:1+8+9, 21-23, 26+28cd+29. R 22 II 1 Jn 3:1-2 G Jn 10:11-18*

**Next Sunday:** *I Acts 9:26-31 Ps 21:26b-27, 28+30, 31-32. R 26a II 1 Jn 3:18-24 G Jn 15:1-8*

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

### Cathedral

**Sunday 21: 4th Sunday of Easter**

8.00am November Memorial List  
10.30am George N. Mbukanma (anniversary)  
12.30pm The Calvert family (intentions)  
6.30pm Vocations to the Priesthood

**Monday 22: Monday in Week 4 of Easter**

8.00am Rik Andrew Prowse (birthday anniversary)  
12.30pm November Memorial List

**Monday 23: ST GEORGE, PATRON OF ENGLAND (Vigil)**

5.30pm George Cardinal Pell (R.I.P.)

**Tuesday 23: ST GEORGE, PATRON OF ENGLAND**

8.00am November Memorial List  
12.30pm Rev Fr John Callanan (anniversary)  
5.30pm Samuel & Dominic Burrell (R.I.P.)

**Wednesday 24: Wednesday in Week 4 of Easter**

8.00am Paul Hazell (sick)  
12.30pm Mr Kuruvilla (R.I.P.)  
5.30pm November Memorial List

**Thursday 25: Thursday in Week 4 of Easter**

8.00am Mr & Mrs O'Callaghan  
12.30pm Rev Fr Mark McManus (intentions)  
5.30pm Helio Simoes (anniversary)

**Friday 26: Friday in Week 4 of Easter**

8.00am Rev Mgr Peter Kirkham (R.I.P.)  
12.30pm Patrick & Katherine Keating (anniversary)  
5.30pm November Memorial List

**Saturday 27: Saturday in Week 4 of Easter**

8.00am Vladimir Korbar Jr (R.I.P.)  
12.30pm Elizabeth Varghese (anniversary)

### Next Weekend – Cathedral

**Sunday 28: 5th Sunday of Easter**

8.00am People of the Parishes  
10.30am Mary & Joan O'Riordan (anniversary)  
12.30pm November Memorial List  
6.30pm Pope Benedict XVI (R.I.P.)

### Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

**Sunday 21: 4th Sunday of Easter**

9.15am Tim Bennett (R.I.P.)

**Sunday 28: 5th Sunday of Easter**

9.15am November Memorial List

### Holy Family

**Sunday 21: 4th Sunday of Easter**

10.30am Parish Intentions

**Sunday 28: 5th Sunday of Easter**

10.30am Parish Intentions

### Svätá Omša v slovenčine

(Slovak Mass) – St Charles Borromeo

**Sunday 21: 4. VEĽKONOČNÁ NEDEĽA**

3.00pm Juliana Holubová (R.I.P.)

**Sunday 28: 5. VEĽKONOČNÁ NEDEĽA**

3.00pm Special intention (M.K. 50th birthday)

<b>Sacrament of Confession</b> .....	<i>Monday–Tuesday &amp; Thursday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm</i>
<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b> .....	<i>Mon–Tue &amp; Thu–Sat: 11.30am–12.15pm</i>
.....	<i>Saturday: after 8.00am Mass (with Benediction)</i>
<b>Rosary</b> .....	<i>Friday &amp; Saturday: after the 12.30pm Mass</i>
<b>Adoration and Prayer Group</b> .....	<i>2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 6.00pm (next one 24th April)</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, Charles Teti, Liam Blayney, Yvonne O’Donovan, Gabriel Ofodile Okafor, Margaret Brennan, Diana, Karen Parry, Sarah Betts, 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:** 23 April – Rev Fr John Callanan; 24 April – Bridget Leech; 27 April – Rev Fr Martin O’Meara, S.M.A.

**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).

**During Eastertide, the *Regina Caeli* is said in place of the *Angelus*:**

Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia!  
The Son whom you merited to bear, alleluia!  
Has risen, as he said, alleluia!  
Pray for us to God, alleluia!

V. Rejoice and be glad, O virgin Mary, alleluia!  
R. For the Lord is truly risen, alleluia!

Let us pray. O God, who gave joy to the world through the Resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant, we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life, through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

**Children’s Liturgy at the 10.30am Mass:** During termtime 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.

**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!

**Legion of Mary:** If you are interested in joining the Legion of Mary, or finding out more about it, please contact Franklin via 07587 480738.

## **Annual Mission Appeal for the Missionary Society of St Paul (M.S.P.)**

Rev Fr Mark Odion, M.S.P. and Rev Fr Charles Egbon, M.S.P. of the Missionary Society of St Paul (MSP) will make a Mission Appeal at all Masses this weekend. The Missionary Society of St Paul is a religious congregation working in many different parts of the world, committed to spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ and the salvific work of God the Father in the Holy Spirit. The M.S.P. invites you to support their mission appeal. **There will be a retiring collection at all the Masses**, or you can use your smartphone to donate using the QR code on the right.



Donations can also be made directly to the Missionary Society of St Paul using the following bank details: **Account Name:** "The Missionary Society of St Paul"; **Sort code:** 20-29-63; **Account No:** 73306224.

**"Little Fishes" free playgroup in Houlden Hall, Wednesdays 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 Job Seekers Group—next meeting Wednesday 1st May, 1.00pm:** Please meet Candida by the Baptismal Font after the 12.30pm Mass, or ring the bell for St Marie's Houlden Hall, situated directly above the Nottingham Building Society. For more information, email Candida on [PPC@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:PPC@stmariecathedral.org).

**Good Shepherd Youth restarts on Saturday 27th April, 4.00-7.00pm:** Good Shepherd Youth is open to all secondary aged young people, whether they come to Church or not. We walk with Jesus in friendship, and each session involves plenty of time for socialising, playing games and eating homecooked pizza. We will continue the theme of 'Transformations', and we look forward to welcoming back our young people! If you haven't come before, please let Candida know who to expect by emailing [GoodShepherd@hallam-diocese.com](mailto:GoodShepherd@hallam-diocese.com). A registration form will need to be completed at the first session attended.

**The next Talk and Social of St Marie's Christian Village** will be on Saturday 18th May, 6.00pm in Houlden Hall. "Who are the Sons of God?" will be the theme of the event. Afterwards, there will be a shared supper and a chance to socialise with each other. CVSM exists for all Christian: young and old, those who live as families and those who live alone. Please bring a food or drink contribution. For more information, please speak to Rafid or Valeria (10.30am Mass), or send them a message to [rafiduk@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rafiduk@yahoo.co.uk).

**Day of Prayer for Survivors of Abuse—Tuesday 30th April:** There will be a Service of Support for Survivors of Abuse on Tuesday 30th April, at 7.00pm at St Michael and All Angels, Wombwell (23 Park Street, S73 0HQ); all are welcome. Please offer up your own prayers of support on this day.

**School Job Vacancy:** Director of Religious Education (All Saints)—Required for September 2024. Salary: L5-7 (£52,074 to £54,816). If you would like to discuss the role further, please contact Mrs R Hobkirk (Assistant Headteacher) via [r.hobkirk@allsaints.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:r.hobkirk@allsaints.sheffield.sch.uk) or by calling the school on 0114 2724851. Please visit [www.allsaints.sheffield.sch.uk/vacancies](http://www.allsaints.sheffield.sch.uk/vacancies) for an application form.

**Bell Ringing at St Marie's:** St Marie's bell ringers ring regularly on Sundays from the end of the 10.30am Mass to the start of the 12.30pm Mass, and hold practice and introductory sessions from 7.00–9.00pm on Mondays. St Marie's bell tower is also home to the Sheffield University Guild of Change Ringers, who ring before the 6.30pm Mass and practice on Fridays. If you would like to find out more about the bells and what is involved in ringing them, please contact Bob Rae (tel. 07710 116701; e-mail: [ringing@bobrae.force9.co.uk](mailto:ringing@bobrae.force9.co.uk)).

**Appeal for baby equipment for a new mum-to-be:** We have an expectant mother who has recently moved to the Parish, and who is in need of support as she and her husband prepare for the arrival of their first child. If you have some equipment suitable for new born babies, please get in touch with Candida on [PPC@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:PPC@stmariecathedral.org). Thank you!

**Free Wellbeing Course for Parents – online, Wednesdays 6.30-7.30pm:** Are you a parent, wanting to find a happier and more relaxed version of ‘you’? This free six-week course focuses on how to take care of yourself as a parent, and how to improve your well-being. It looks at emotional self-care, how to meet your own needs, how to build resilience, how to be more assertive and set boundaries, as well as teaching you some stress and relaxation techniques, and giving you support to recover from trauma. For more information and to book your place, please contact Janet Kent (Caritas Hallam) on 07927657462 or email [jkent@hallam-diocese.com](mailto:jkent@hallam-diocese.com).

**Historic ‘Blue Plaque’ proposal for St Marie’s:** A local charity, Sheffield Home of Football, wants to mark the contributions of John Charles Shaw and Michael Joseph Ellison to Sheffield’s sporting heritage, and is seeking permission to put up two Blue Heritage Plaques in the environs of the Cathedral. Shaw founded Hallam FC—the world’s second oldest football club—and was the captain of the team which won the world’s first football tournament. He was also President of the Sheffield Football Association when the Sheffield rules for the game became part of the national FA rules, in 1877. Ellison—a leading Catholic whose family donations to St Marie’s Cathedral included the window in the North Transept—played a key role in the creation of Sheffield United and Yorkshire County Cricket Club. In particular, he negotiated the use of land at Bramall Lane as a new cricket pitch and, later, football ground, making it the world’s first multi-purpose sports ground. In terms of the plaques, the charity is seeking permission to put a plaque commemorating Shaw’s life on the exterior of the Priest’s Sacristy, towards the bottom of Norfolk Row, where Shaw had a legal office before the extensions to the Cathedral complex were built. The plaque commemorating Ellison’s life would be above the Nottingham Building Society offices, where the Cathedral’s Houlden Hall now is. Neither plaque would be on the Cathedral building itself. If you would like to comment on the proposals, please email Eileen Maher (Chair of the Parish Pastoral Council) on [PPC@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:PPC@stmariecathedral.org), or write to her (care of Cathedral House). Thank you.

**Saint of the Week – St George, Patron Saint and Martyr:** On Tuesday 23rd April, we remember St George—the Patron Saint of England (and Catalonia)—who died on this day in the year 303AD. Interestingly, he is known and revered by both Muslims and Christians. George was born to Christian nobility and was both a Roman officer and a Greek native of Lydda (modern-day Lod in Israel). He served as an imperial guard for the Emperor, Diocletian, at Nicomedia. There are several stories about George fighting dragons, but in the Western version, a dragon (or large crocodile) made its nest at a spring that provided water to the city of Selem in Libya. To appease the dragon, the inhabitants offered him 2 sheep a day, and later a sheep and a child drawn by lot. One day, the king’s own daughter was chosen, and as she headed to the spring, George passed by and pierced the dragon with his spear – a gesture that became a symbol of faith triumphing over evil. In 303 AD, Diocletian, who hated Christians, announced that every Christian the army passed would be arrested, and every other soldier should offer a sacrifice to the Roman gods. George refused. In an effort to save George, Diocletian attempted to convert him to believe in the Roman gods, offering him land, money and salves in exchange for offering a sacrifice to the Roman gods; but George continued to refuse, and publicly professed his faith in Christ. For this he suffered terrible torture, and was eventually beheaded. Shortly after his death, a basilica was erected over the place of his burial in Lydda, and his relics are still visible there today. But it was the crusaders who transformed the figure of St George-the-martyr into a ‘holy warrior’, invoking him as the protector of all soldiers, and it was with through the Normans that the cult of St George became firmly rooted in England.

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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