



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: Monday–Friday, 9.30am–12.30pm & 1.30–4.30pm

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20th Sunday per annum (B)

18th to 25th August 2024

Readings: *I* Prov 9:1-6 **Ps** 33:2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15. *R* 9a *II* Eph 5:15-20 **G** Jn 6:51-58

Next Sunday: *I* Josh 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b **Ps** 33:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23. *R* 9a *II* Eph 5:21-32 **G** Jn 6:60-69

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

Cathedral

Sunday 18: 20th Sunday per annum

8.00am Robert Stock (recently deceased)
10.30am People of the Parishes
12.30pm Eileen Maher (recovery)
6.30pm Annie O'Connor (R.I.P.)

Monday 19: Monday in Week 20 per annum

8.00am **NO MASS**
12.30pm **NO MASS**
5.30pm Elizabeth Ramos (R.I.P.)

Tuesday 20: St Bernard

8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm Helen Neal (sick)
5.30pm Clemence Dodo (R.I.P.)

Wednesday 21: St Pius X

8.00am Lucy Hazell (intentions)
12.30pm In thanksgiving (F. family)
5.30pm **NO MASS**

Thursday 22: Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8.00am Sile Burns (anniversary)
12.30pm Caroline Middleton (anniversary)
5.30pm **NO MASS**

Friday 23: Friday in Week 20 per annum

8.00am Justin Mousmie (R.I.P.)
12.30pm Krystina Johnson (intentions)
5.30pm November Memorial List

Saturday 24: ST BARTHOLOMEW

8.00am Shirley Madeleine (intentions)
12.30pm Joan Lee (R.I.P.)

Next Weekend – Cathedral

Sunday 25: 21st Sunday per annum

8.00am R.C.U.O. (special intention)
10.30am Adrian Thomas (intentions)
12.30pm S. Milne (special intention)
6.30pm Vipin & Nupur (in thanksgiving)

Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

Sunday 18: 20th Sunday per annum

9.15am People of the Parish

Sunday 25: 21st Sunday per annum

9.15am November Memorial List

Holy Family

Sunday 18: 20th Sunday per annum

10.30am Parish Intentions

Sunday 25: 21st Sunday per annum

10.30am Parish Intentions

Svätá Omša v slovenčine

(Slovak Mass) – St Charles Borromeo

Sunday 18: 20. nedeľa v Cezročnom období

3.00pm Elemir Kaleja (special intention)

Sunday 25: 21. nedeľa v Cezročnom období

3.00pm **NO MASS**

Sacrament of Confession	Tuesday–Thursday & Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Tuesday–Thursday & Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm
.....	Saturday: after 8.00am Mass (with Benediction)
Rosary	Friday & Saturday: after the 12.30pm Mass
Adoration and Prayer Group	2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 6.00pm (next one 28th August)

We pray for Ronan Egan, Robert Stock, Rev Mr Chris Kime, 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 (*flowers*), Kingsley Owomero, Margaret Smith, Charles Teti, Jean Rodgers (*ex-sacristan*), Liam Blayney, Yvonne O'Donovan, Gabriel Ofodile Okafor, Margaret Brennan, Diana, Karen Parry, Sarah Betts, Ben Lipman, Eileen Maher, 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: 18 Aug – Rev Fr Joseph Quigley; 19 Aug – Rev Fr Oliver Wilson; 20 Aug – Rev Fr Gerald O'Brien; 22 Aug – Sile Burns.

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!

Please note that there will be no teas and coffees after the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 1st and Sunday 8th September.

Children's Liturgy is having a break over the summer holidays: The team is having a break over the summer, but will return on Sunday 8th September. We wish all of our families and children a wonderful summer holiday, and really look forward to seeing everyone again at the start of the new school term!

Women's Group returns this Thursday, 22nd August, 11.00am: The Women's Group will be restarting this Thursday, and will be welcoming women of all ages to come and join their little community. We offer friendship and laughter, discussion and loving support – always over cups of tea and delicious cake and biscuits. Please meet Candida by the piano at 11am, or speak to the steward on duty who can show you to the Parish Room. Alternatively, contact Candida on PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

A gardener is sought after by one of our parishioners: If you are interested in helping with some gardening, please contact Immaculate via e-mail (immaculatemukankusi09@gmail.com).

The Heritage Open Days this year run from Friday 6th September to Sunday 15th September. Free guided tours of the Cathedral will be available on Saturday 7th and Saturday 14th September at 2.00pm.

Facing the Future, Walking Together: The Bishop wishes to thank everyone for their participation in and completion of the recent survey about our future together as the Diocese of Hallam. The submissions are being looked at over the summer, with a view to sharing the findings at the end of September and planning the next steps.

Changes to weekday schedule: Please note there will be no 8.00am or 12.30pm Masses on Monday 19th August, and no 5.30pm Masses on Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd August. There will also be no Confessions or Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday 19th and Friday 23rd August.

The next Baptism Preparation course will be on Saturday 7th September, from 9.30-11.00am in Houlden Hall. Registration forms are available after one of the Masses, from a steward or the Priest, or from the Cathedral office. If you wish your child to be baptised at St Marie's, you will need to attend the preparation programme, so please do fill in and return the registration form.

Everyday Evangelising for Everyday Catholics – in our Parish: Everyday Evangelising is everyone's mission. By virtue of our Baptism, we are all called to share our faith. Here are some ways we can all do Everyday Evangelising in our own parish:

- be gracious to people;
- periodically sit in a different place in church and exchange names with those around you;
- send a card to the newly baptised or confirmed;
- pray for parish leaders and each other;
- get involved in events and activities, if only on a small scale;
- invite friends who aren't Catholic to parish events;
- explain in advance to those who are not familiar with the Catholic Faith, what they will hear and see during the liturgies.

Connect with the Story of Our Salvation: The Bible is amazing, but sometimes confusing and hard to read. How can we understand the whole story of our salvation? Ascension Presents now has a new video out that has gone viral on YouTube; it tells the 'mega' story of the entire Bible in just 10 minutes! It's beautifully animated too. You can find it by searching YouTube for 'Fr Mike Bible in 10 Minutes', or by using this link: <https://youtu.be/Jm3b4Q98Vx8?si=PS37HMZT9Fq0auv1>

Devotion of the Month – to the Immaculate Heart of Mary: The month of August is traditionally dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This Marian devotion began in the 1600s, and focuses on the Blessed Mother's interior life, celebrating her joys and sorrow, her virtues, and her love for God. While the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus focuses on how Jesus' heart is full of love for us, the devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary reflects on how Mary's heart is full of love for the Saviour. Therefore, the Immaculate Heart of Mary gives us an example of how we – as Christians – should love.

As Pope Paul VI said: *May the Immaculate Heart of Mary shine before the eyes of all Christians as the model of perfect love toward God and toward our fellow beings; may it lead them toward the Holy Sacraments by virtue of which souls are cleansed from the stains of sin and are preserved from it. May it also stimulate them to make reparation for the innumerable offenses against the Divine Majesty. Lastly, may it shine like a banner of unity and a spur to perfect the bonds of brotherhood among all Christians in the bosom of the one Church of Jesus Christ, which "taught by the Holy Spirit, honours her with filial affection and piety as a most beloved mother."* Amen.

St Marie's Christian Village: The St Marie's Christian Village is organising a "Love Life with Jesus" music event on Saturday 7th September, from 6.00pm in Houlden Hall. We invite anyone who would like to sing or play their musical instruments to come along. If you would like to perform, please contact Rafid or Valeria via rafiduk@yahoo.co.uk. 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 (10.30 am Mass), or email rafiduk@yahoo.co.uk.

St Marie's has a long history of Catholicism in Sheffield: Built in 1850, this neo-Gothic masterpiece was the first Catholic Church to be built after the Reformation. (The original parish church of St Peter and Paul is now the Anglican Cathedral.) If you would like to read more of this fascinating story, then all three volumes of *The History of St Marie's Church and Parish* are available for £8.00 each at the back of the church.

The annual March for Life UK is Saturday 7th September in London: Stand shoulder to shoulder to proclaim that *Abortion Isn't Healthcare*. See the poster in the narthex for more details. If you are interested in travelling on the coach to London, please contact Rachel (07368 297872; e-mail rachel.wood33@outlook.com).

Sr Veronica, a Sister of Mercy (R.S.M.) died on 29th July: She was the former headteacher of St Thomas More School, Sheffield. Her Requiem Mass will be on Friday 23rd August at the Convent of Mercy, Hull. Please remember her in your prayers.

Help! Minibus driver needed! Would you be able to take young adults to Oscott, Birmingham on Sunday 15th September? We have the opportunity to take part in *Invocation at Adoremus*—a day of workshops, Adoration, and Holy Mass for 16- to 35-year-olds being organised by the Bishops' Conference. The diocese has a minibus but no driver—if you can help, please contact smcdonald@hallam-diocese.com as soon as possible. Thank you!

Looking for a late Catholic gap year? Do you know anybody who is Catholic, aged 18-22, and has still not got anything lined up for the year ahead? Castlerigg Manor (the Diocese of Lancaster retreat centre, located in the Lake District) are still looking for young people to join their youth ministry in internship scheme. The scheme provides comprehensive training and experience as well as accommodation and food for the year, and a stipend each week. Anyone who is interested can go to <https://castleriggmanor.com/join-the-team/> or e-mail Jack Regan (director@castleriggmanor.co.uk).

Saint of the Week – St Bernard of Clairvaux: On Tuesday 20th August, we remember Saint Bernard – a great saint known as reformer, theologian, mystic, unifier and Doctor of the Church. He was born into a high-nobility family in Fontaines, France, and was the third of seven children. His devout parents instilled in him a deep faith, and right from the beginning, he held a profound devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, continually seeking her intercession. When he entered the newly formed Cistercian Abbey of Notre Dame aged 22, his virtue, clarity of purpose and evident holiness inspired 30 other young noblemen to join him, including all but one of his brothers! (The youngest brother, along with his father, would join him later, and his sister would become a Benedictine nun). The Cistercian order, established in 1098, sought to return to the ideals of the Rule of Saint Benedict. Under Bernard's abbot, Abbot Stephen (also recognised as a Saint), the newly founded Cistercian order experienced rapid growth. One of the monasteries founded was Clairvaux, meaning 'Clear Valley'. Abbot Stephen appointed Bernard as its founding abbot – a role he held for 38 years, during which time he earned high respect for his holiness and leadership in monastic reform. Bernard was also a prolific writer, seeking to teach not only the mind but also to draw the heart to conversion and love. He regularly emphasised the personal nature of God, our call to mystical union with Him, and the central role that the Blessed Virgin Mary must play in our lives. Many miracles were attributed to him: he healed the sick, cast out demons, multiplied food, calmed storms, and raised the dead. By the time he died, his monastery in Clairvaux numbered about 700 monks, and he had founded at least 68 monasteries. St Bernard of Clairvaux, please pray that we too may learn to love God in the way that He deserves to be loved – immeasurably! And pray that we also create some space to love our Blessed Mother too, and allow her to lead us through the darkness we encounter. In Jesus' mighty name we pray, Amen.

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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