



**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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25th Sunday per annum (B)

22nd to 29th September 2024

Readings: *I Wis 2:12, 17-20 Ps 53:3-4, 5, 6+8. R^x 6b II Jas 3:16–4:3 G Mk 9:30-37*

Next Sunday: *I Num 11:25-29 Ps 18:8, 10, 12-13, 14. R^x 9a II Jas 5:1-6 G Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48*

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

Cathedral

Sunday 22: 25th Sunday per annum

8.00am Sr Eileen Keating, P.B.V.M. (recently deceased)
10.30am Anton Macko (recently deceased)
12.30pm November Memorial List
6.30pm Annie O'Connor (R.I.P.)

Monday 23: St Pius of Pietrelcina

8.00am R.I.I. (special intention & God's mercy)
12.30pm Keith Smith (recently deceased)
5.30pm Iwa & family (intentions)

Tuesday 24: OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

8.00am Maria Farrugia (née Cedola) (anniversary)
12.30pm R.I.I. (special intention & God's mercy)
5.30pm **NO MASS**

Wednesday 25: Wednesday in Week 25 per annum

8.00am R.I.I. (special intention & God's mercy)
12.30pm November Memorial List
5.30pm Annie D'Aquila (recently deceased)

Thursday 26: Thursday in Week 25 per annum

8.00am Sr Eileen Keating, P.B.V.M. (recently deceased)
12.30pm Terry (special intention)
5.30pm R.I.I. (special intention & God's mercy)

Friday 27: St Vincent de Paul

8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm Eileen Maher (in thanksgiving)
5.30pm R.I.I. (special intention & God's mercy)

Saturday 28: Saturday in Week 25 per annum

8.00am R.I.I. (special intention & God's mercy)
12.30pm Nora Kenny (birthday anniversary)

Next Weekend – Cathedral

Sunday 29: 26th Sunday per annum

8.00am R.I.I. (special intention & God's mercy)
10.30am Dr Frank Neal (R.I.P.)
12.30pm People of the Parishes
6.30pm Francis & Jane (intentions)

Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

Sunday 22: 25th Sunday per annum

9.15am Katie, Danny & Owen McKernan (R.I.P.)

Sunday 29: 26th Sunday per annum

9.15am November Memorial List

Holy Family

Sunday 22: 25th Sunday per annum

10.30am Parish Intentions

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10.30am Parish Intentions

Svätá Omša v slovenčine

(Slovak Mass) – St Charles Borromeo

Sunday 22: 25. nedeľa v Cezročnom období

3.00pm People of the Parishes

Sunday 29: 26. nedeľa v Cezročnom období

3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sacrament of Confession	Monday & Wednesday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Monday & Wednesday–Friday: 11.30am–12.15pm
.....	Saturday: after 8.00am Mass (with Benediction)
Rosary	Friday and Saturday: after the 12.30pm Mass
Adoration and Prayer Group	2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 6.00pm (next one 25th September)

We pray for Annie D’Aquila, Sr Eileen Keating, P.B.V.M., 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, Gabriel Ofodile Okafor, Margaret Brennan, Diana, Karen Parry, Sarah Betts, Ben Lipman, 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: 22 Sep – Rev Fr Bernard O’Brien, Winifred Smith; 25 Sep – Kathleen Finnigan; 29 Sep – Frank Neal.

Health & Safety Matters: If you wish to raise any issues regarding health and safety at St Marie’s, please e-mail healthandsafety@stmariecathedral.org.

Next Sunday there will be a second collection for Survive-MIVA, a charity that helps provide essential transport for missionaries and healthcare workers in isolated rural areas. Please be as generous as you are able in support of this vital work.

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—all children welcome! Children’s Liturgy exists to nurture the hearts and minds of our youngest parishioners in the Truth and the Light that is Jesus. Each week, we share and discuss the Gospel, and celebrate with an appropriate faith and worship song. 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.

Would you like to teach children more about Jesus? The Children’s Liturgy team are looking to expand and develop new leaders for this ministry – which exists to support the faith development of the children in our parish. Does this sound of interest to you? Training will be slow and gradual to suit the needs of each potential leader. If you would like to find out more, please speak to Candida in person, or send her an email to PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

Women’s Group every Thursday, 11.00am: The Women’s Group meets every Thursday, and welcomes women of all ages to come and join their little community. We offer friendship and laughter, interesting faith discussions and loving support – always over cups of tea and delicious cake and biscuits. Please meet Candida by the piano at 11.00am, or speak to the steward on duty who can show you to the Parish Room. Alternatively, contact Candida on PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

Changes to weekday schedule: Please note that there will be no Confessions, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, or 5.30pm Mass at St Marie's on Tuesday this week (24th September).

'Little Fishes', a free playgroup for the 0-3yrs—Wednesday mornings, 10.30am–12.00pm:

We offer a warm welcome to our 'Little Fishes' and their parents / carers: join us in Houlden Hall for play, snacks and singing! Houlden Hall is directly above the Nottingham Building Society; please ring the bell for St Marie's Norfolk Chambers (right next to the Cathedral's main entrance) and you will be let in.

Wednesday Adoration, Prayer and Praise, 6.00pm: This Holy Hour takes place directly after the 5.30pm Mass, on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, at 6.00pm. It is a wonderful opportunity for us to spend some time with our Lord Jesus – present in the Eucharist – in adoration, prayer and praise! If you have yet to experience it, please do come along. The next opportunities will be on the 25th September and 9th October. Everyone is welcome!

Feel a call to teach young people about our faith? We're looking for additional catechists to help out with this year's Confirmation Preparation Programme for young people (ages 12-17). Training and support will be provided. If you are interested, please let a member of the clergy know and one of the current catechists will be in touch shortly.

New St Marie's Bible Group: A group of parishioners are setting up a group to simply read the Bible together on Wednesday evenings (7.30pm) from 2nd October onwards. The group is designed for people with no prior expertise whatsoever but feel God's call to get to know him better in his word. We'd love to have you come along and we'll start by reading the Gospel of John together. Please send questions or expressions of interest to ppc@stmariecathedral.org.

Have you just got married during 2024 or are you celebrating a significant wedding anniversary (1, 10, 25, 50, 60 yrs or more)? If so, Bishop Ralph cordially invites you to join him at a diocesan celebration Mass in thanksgiving for the sacrament of Marriage on Saturday 28th September at St Peter-in-Chains (Chequer Rd, Doncaster, DN1 2AA) at 12.00pm, followed by refreshments. If you would like to attend then please add your details to the Google form at <https://tinyurl.com/mummawse>. More information is available from marriagepreparation@hallam-diocese.com.

Volunteering Vacancies with the Diocese: The Diocese is seeking new volunteers for three very different roles. Would you consider being the Diocesan Environmental Lead? Or do you have an interest in Archives? Do you have the experience to contribute to the Diocesan Buildings Committee? If any of these roles sound interesting, please see <https://hallam-diocese.com/job/volunteering-opportunities-in-the-diocese/> for more info.

St Mary's (High Green) Bible Study Talk on Zoom—Wednesday 25th September, 6.00pm:

St Mary's Bible Study group (High Green) have kindly invited us to join their next session, which will be a talk given by Fr Nicholas of Mount St Bernard's. The talk is on the "Four Last Things: Death, Judgement, Heaven and Hell". If you would like to 'attend' this talk from the comfort of your own home, via Zoom, please send an email to Candida on PPC@stmariecathedral.org, and she will send you the link.

Next Good Shepherd Youth will be on Saturday 28th September, 4.00-7.00pm: Good Shepherd Youth meets on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month, and is open to all secondary aged young people (whether they come to Church or not). Each session always involves Jesus, socialising, games and homecooked pizza! We will have live worship music at this session, so it promises to be a good one. If your teenager hasn't come before, please contact Candida on PPC@stmariecathedral.org to get the online registration form. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

West Riding Ensemble Launch Concert (Saturday 28th September, 6.30pm): This concert marks the official launch of Sheffield's new professional ensemble, led by performer-scholar Dr David Milsom, bringing together a collective of today's and tomorrow's professional musicians in a performance of Shostakovich's *Piano Quintet* (1940) and Tchaikovsky's string sextet, *Souvenir de Florence* (1892). The ensemble is innovative, providing not only high-quality musical outcomes inspired by David's scholar-performance activities, but also creating mentoring opportunities for gifted students. The ensemble is honoured to be connected to St Marie's, able to support the cathedral's music and worship on occasion and playing in several other concerts here this season. It is extremely grateful for the support and hospitality of this beautiful church and hopes to forge a number of future musical collaborations. Tickets are £20, Unwaged £15, U16s £10, and will be available on the door.

We are all called to have a personal relationship with our God – so let us seek Him in Holy Scripture: Our faith is not a tick-box exercise; we are all called to have a personal relationship with the living God. And who He is can be found within the many pages of the Holy Bible. St Thérèse of Lisieux has some words of encouragement for us: "Above all, the Gospels sustain me during my hours of prayer; in them I find everything that my poor little soul needs. I constantly discover in them new insights, hidden, mysterious meanings". So let try to spend a bit of time each day with the Lord through Holy Scripture. And let us invite Him to reveal – through those words – what He would like to speak to us about today.

Devotion of the Month – to Our Lady of Sorrows: Since the 16th century, the month of September has traditionally been set aside to honour Our Lady of Sorrows. If you would like to find out more about the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady, please have a look at the display at the back of the Cathedral.

Saint of the Week – the Virgin Mary, as Our Lady of Walsingham: On Tuesday, we celebrate Our Lady of Walsingham, the occasion of which has recently been elevated to a Feast Day in England. The Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham is in the county of North Norfolk, East Anglia, and was established around the year 1061, in response to Lady Richeldis de Faverches prayers that she might somehow undertake some special work in honour of Our Lady. According to the text of the Pynson Ballad (c 1485), this is how Our Lady responded: "Our Lady led Richeldis in spirit to Nazareth and showed her the house where the angel had greeted her. 'Look, daughter' said Our Lady. 'Take the measurements of this house and erect another one like it in Walsingham, dedicated to praising and honouring me. All who come there shall find help in their need'. Although the Lady Richeldis was not a visionary (like the children in Lourdes and Fatima), she was a holy woman with a great faith and love for the Mother of God. As she pondered, meditated and prayed, the Virgin Mary responded by asked her to build a replica of the house of Nazareth in Walsingham, as a perpetual memorial of the Annunciation. This Holy House was built, and a religious community took charge of the foundation; Walsingham became one of the greatest Shrines in Medieval Christendom. In 1538 however, the Reformation meant the whole site had to be handed over to the King's Commissioners, and the entire shrine was destroyed. Walsingham ceased to be a public place of pilgrimage, and devotion was (necessarily) kept in secret until 1829, when public expressions of the Catholic Faith were allowed once more. It was the Guild of Our Lady of Ransom that brought the first public pilgrimage to Walsingham on 20th August 1897; 37 years later, the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales led 10,000 people on pilgrimage, and declared the site to be the National Shrine of Our Lady for Catholics in England. It has been developed over the years, and now attracts over 150,000 pilgrims during the pilgrimage season. In 2015, Pope Francis conferred the title of 'Minor Basilica' upon the Shrine precinct, being only 1 of 3 sites with that title in England. (The other two are St Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham, and Downside Abbey Church). So, as we celebrate this Feast Day, let us joyfully say our 'yes' to the Lord, and open up our hearts so as to conceive Him there. *Our Lady of Walsingham – pray for us!*

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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