



**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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**26th Sunday per annum (B)**

*29th September to 6th October 2024*

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

**Next Sunday:** *I Gen 2:18-24 Ps 127:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6. R cf. 5 II Heb 2:9-11 G Mk 10:2-16*

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

**Cathedral**

**Sunday 29 September: 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)

**Monday 30: St Jerome**

8.00am November Memorial List  
12.30pm Michel (birthday)  
5.30pm R.I.I. (special intention & God's mercy)

**Tuesday 1 October: St Thérèse of the Child Jesus**

8.00am R.I.I. (special intention & God's mercy)  
12.30pm November Memorial List  
5.30pm Lily Moon (anniversary)

**Wednesday 2: Holy Guardian Angels**

8.00am November Memorial List  
12.30pm Mary (in thanksgiving)  
5.30pm Annie D'Aquila (R.I.P.)

**Thursday 3: Thursday in Week 26 per annum**

8.00am Yorkshire Brethren  
12.30pm Francourt & Mousime (R.I.P.)  
5.30pm November Memorial List

**Friday 4: St Francis of Assisi**

8.00am Rev Fr Clement Abah (intentions)  
12.30pm Helen Carroll (recently deceased)  
5.30pm November Memorial List

**Saturday 5: Saturday in Week 26 per annum**

8.00am Sr Eileen Keating, P.B.V.M. (R.I.P.)  
12.30pm November Memorial List

**Next Weekend – Cathedral**

**Sunday 6: 27th Sunday per annum**

8.00am People of the Parishes  
10.30am Lubomira Elmaur (sick)  
12.30pm Nadia (intentions)  
6.30pm Francis Smith (anniversary)

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

**Sunday 29 September: 26th Sunday per annum**

9.15am Annie Marion D'Aquila (R.I.P.)

**Sunday 6 October: 27th Sunday per annum**

9.15am Parish Intentions

**Holy Family**

**Sunday 29 September: 26th Sunday per annum**

10.30am Parish Intentions

**Sunday 6 October: 27th Sunday per annum**

10.30am Sr Eileen Keating, P.B.V.M. (recently deceased)

**Svätá Omša v slovenčine**

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

**Sunday 29 September: 26. nedeľa v Cezročnom období**

3.00pm Parish Intentions

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3.00pm Parish Intentions

<b>Sacrament of Confession</b> .....	Monday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm
<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b> .....	Monday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm
.....	Saturday: after 8.00am Mass (with Benediction)
<b>Rosary</b> .....	Friday and Saturday: after the 12.30pm Mass
<b>Adoration and Prayer Group</b> .....	Wednesday 2nd October, 6.00pm
<b>Bible Study Group</b> .....	Wednesdays, 7.30-8.30pm (in Cathedral House)

**We pray** for Sr Eileen Keating, P.B.V.M., Helen Carroll, Frank Prince (ex-Lord Mayor), and all those who have died recently.

**Please remember in your prayers our sick:** 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:** 29 Sep – Frank Neal; 30 Sep – Joan Hayes; 1 Oct – Lily Moon, Rev Fr Ezekiel Owoeye; 5 Oct - Noel Golingan; 6 Oct – Francis Smith.

**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).

**This 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.

**'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.

**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](mailto:PPC@stmariecathedral.org).

**CAFOD Family Fast Day (Friday 4th October) and Appeal (Sunday 6th October):** Envelopes for the CAFOD Harvest Fast Day on Friday 4th October are available from the back of the Cathedral, or you can donate online via <https://www.cafod.org.uk/envelope>. Any donation envelopes can be put in with the Sunday collection. **Volunteers will also be speaking at the end of Masses next Sunday (6th October)** about CAFOD's work fighting poverty and injustice and helping all people to fulfil their God-given potential.

**Wednesday Adoration, Prayer and Praise, 6.00pm:** The next Wednesday evening Holy Hour and Adoration will be on Wednesday 2nd October. 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.

**Diocese of Hallam Marian Youth Group—3.30-5.00pm, Saturday 6th October, St Marie's Cathedral:** This term, the Marian Youth Group of the Diocese will be meeting at St Marie's to learn more about the Rosary and how to pray it, and then to pray it together in the Lady's Chapel. This event is for all secondary school-aged children, and as usual, there will be a chance to socialise afterwards. Please let Candida know you are coming by text or on [PPC@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:PPC@stmariecathedral.org), so that we know who to expect. All teenagers are most 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—Wednesdays, 7.30-8.30pm:** A group of parishioners have set up a group to simply read the Bible together on Wednesday evenings (7.30-8.30pm) **from this week onwards, meeting in Cathedral House**. 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, starting on Wednesday 2nd October. For more information, please e-mail [ppc@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:ppc@stmariecathedral.org).

**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.

**Youth 2000 Sheffield Retreat for 16- to 35-year-olds—Saturday 9th November, 9.00am–9.00pm:** This year's Youth 2000 Retreat at St Vincent's Mission Hub will be a chance for people in and around the Sheffield area (and beyond) to seek and find the warmth and life of a thriving, loving community, rooted in Jesus Christ and living out the joy of the Gospel message. If you are aged 16-35 years old, you are invited to join them for a jam-packed, one-day retreat of prayer, teaching, friendship and fun, while exploring how to BUILD your life on Christ, the solid rock. If you are under 18, you will need to be accompanied by someone who is over 18. The retreat includes lunch and dinner, and tickets cost £15 (unless you need help with this). To find out more, please see the event's webpage: <https://bit.ly/3zvEIVl>.

**The next Talk and Social of St Marie's Christian Village** will be on Saturday 5th October, at 6.00pm in Houlden Hall. "A reflection on Mathew 18" 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 a message to [rafiduk@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rafiduk@yahoo.co.uk).

**We are all called to have a personal relationship with our God – so let us seek Him and connect through Adoration!** Our faith is not a tick-box exercise; we are all called to have a personal relationship with the living God. As Catholics, we have the unique opportunity amongst Christians to come and spend time with Jesus, made physically present in the most Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist. And when we understand who we truly are in relation to Him – simply one of God's amazing creatures – we can more humbly recognise how great God is and how little we really are! And our love, praise and adoration for Him come from that place. So here is a challenge for us all: to find an opportunity to come before Jesus-in-the-Eucharist. Let us kneel before Him, and tell Him how much we love Him, and how grateful we are for all the blessings we have in our life. And then let us also be honest with Him about all our difficulties and challenges. Let us invite Him more fully into our lives and not shy away from asking for His help, because He will gladly give it!

**Devotion of the Month – The Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary:** Throughout the month of October, we are encouraged to engage with the power of the Holy Rosary – a meditative prayer, firmly rooted in Scripture and built on the rock that is Jesus. When we pray the Rosary, we are (in essence) asking our Mother Mary to intercede for us as we seek to draw closer to her Son, Jesus, by meditating on His life, death and Resurrection. The Rosary's significance in the Church is vital, and always has been. As Catholics, we are encouraged to pray the Rosary as a form of protection for ourselves and our families. We are asked to pray it to create peace in our families, societies and nations, and we are also asked to pray it for the conversion of sinners. So, if you have never engaged with the Rosary before, or would like some encouragement to get started properly with it, now's your chance! There are regular rosary groups to join, and please also look out for the 'How to Pray the Rosary' sheets at the back of church.

**Saint of the Week – St Thérèse of Lisieux:** On Tuesday 1st October, we remember Saint Thérèse of Lisieux, who was born in 1873, to a middle-class French family, and was the fourth of 5 children. When their mother died (Thérèse was just 4 years old), their father moved the family to Lisieux to be closer to their aunt, and two of her sisters became Carmelite nuns at the convent there. At 15 years old, Thérèse was also accepted. As a child, Thérèse loved to just sit down and think about God, life and eternity in heaven. She always wanted to be a saint, and had a simple, child-like relationship with God that she called 'The Little Way': doing little things, but always with great love. Aged 20 years, when she discovered she had tuberculosis, her eldest sister encouraged her to write everything down in a book. Her resulting spiritual autobiography, 'The Story of a Soul', was published shortly after her death. Although Thérèse was only 24 years old when she died, and had outwardly lived a very unremarkable life, she longed not to be idle in heaven but to labour hard there for the Church and souls. The first miracle happened immediately afterward her death, and Pope Pius X prophetically called her 'the greatest saint of modern times' before she had even been beatified. Pope John Paul II made her a Doctor of the Church in 1997. You can find out more about how to live The Little Way here: <https://youtu.be/GD3ksvsw6QE?si=yDNKUbfFSIvNciUby>

#### 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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