



**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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33rd Sunday per annum (B)

17th to 24th November 2024

Readings: *I Dan 12:1-3 Ps 15:5+8, 9-10, 11. R^x 1 II Heb 10:11-14, 18 G Mk 13:24-32*

Next Sunday: *I Dan 7:13-14 Ps 92:1ab, 1c-2, 5. R^x 1a II Rev 1:5-8 G Jn 18:33b-37*

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

Cathedral

Sunday 17: 33rd Sunday per annum

8.00am People of the Parishes
10.30am Deceased Clergy of the Diocese of Hallam
12.30pm Eileen White (anniversary)
6.30pm Annie O'Connor (R.I.P.)

Monday 18: Monday in Week 33 per annum

8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm Cecile & mother (intentions)
5.30pm Jean Nowak (sick)

Tuesday 19: Tuesday in Week 33 per annum

8.00am Rev Fr Antony Hayne (R.I.P.)
12.30pm Ana Beatriz Pardo Perez (R.I.P.)
5.30pm Jamie (R.I.P.)

Wednesday 20: Wednesday in Week 33 per annum

8.00am Lucy Hazell (intentions)
12.30pm Patricia McGuone (intentions)
5.30pm For Persecuted Christians

Thursday 21: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8.00am Rev Fr John Kelly (R.I.P.)
12.30pm Owen Jenkinson (sick)
5.30pm November Memorial List

Friday 22: St Cecilia

8.00am Parish Sick List
12.30pm Madeleine (intentions)
5.30pm Rev Fr Gerry Thornton (R.I.P.)

Saturday 23: DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL

8.00am Peter Wright (anniversary)
12.30pm Benefactors of the Parish

Next Weekend – Cathedral

**Sat 23: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE
(VIGIL)**

3.00pm For the Polish World War II Dead

Sun 24: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

8.00am Kathleen Wilson (anniversary)
10.30am Erika Krajcovicova (in thanksgiving)
12.30pm Helen Carroll (R.I.P.)
6.30pm November Memorial List

Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

Sunday 17: 33rd Sunday per annum

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

Sun 24: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

9.15am Elizabeth Lofars (anniversary)

Holy Family

Sunday 17: 33rd Sunday per annum

10.30am Parish Intentions

Sun 24: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

10.30am People of the Parishes

Svätá Omša v slovenčine

(Slovak Mass) – St Charles Borromeo

Sunday 17: 33. nedeľa v Cezročnom období

3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sun 24: NÁŠHO PÁNA JEŽIŠA KRISTA, KRÁĽA NEBA I ZEME

3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sacrament of Confession	Monday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Monday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm
.....	Saturday: after 8.00am Mass (with Benediction)
Rosary	Friday and Saturday: after the 12.30pm Mass
Adoration and Prayer Group	<u>Wednesday 27th November, 6.00pm</u>
Bible Study Group	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), Phyllis Caesar, Monica Varney, and all those who have died recently.

Please remember in your prayers our sick: Gloria Welsh, Elizabeth Sandy, 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, Jean Nowak, Rev Fr David Barnes, Liam Bambury, Owen Jenkinson, 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: 17 Nov – Eileen White; 23 Nov – Peter Wright; 24 Nov – Kathleen Wilson.

Children’s First Holy Communion Programme (2025): The next First Holy Communion programme for children will begin in January 2025. For First Communions, all children who are in Year 3 and above are eligible to join the course. Further details will be announced in the newsletter closer to the time.

Children’s Confirmation Programme (2025): This year’s Confirmation preparation programme for those of secondary school age (Year 8 upwards) will run from January to June 2025. The Confirmations will be celebrated at Pentecost (8th June 2025). The sessions to prepare will be held on Monday evenings in term time. If you would like your child to be confirmed, you and they will need to meet briefly with a member of the catechetical team one Monday evening in December. There is a sign up form in the sacristy/at the back of church for you to pick a time to meet us. Please bring your child’s baptismal certificate to this meeting. The deadline to sign up is Sunday 24th November.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion needed for the 12.30pm Sunday Mass: The Cathedral is looking to reintroduce Holy Communion under both kinds at the 12.30pm Mass, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHCs) will be needed to make this happen. If you are a baptised, practicing Catholic with a devotion to the Most Holy Eucharist, and are interested in finding out more about being an EMHC, please speak to Fr Posluszny or one of the other priests. There will be preparation and training sessions later this month.

Polish Commemoration Day—Saturday 23rd November, 3.00pm Mass: On the 80th anniversary of battles during World War II in which the Poles took part and the 40th anniversary of the commemorative plaque in the Cathedral’s Lady Chapel, there is a Polish Commemoration Day. From 1.00pm on Saturday 23rd November there will be displays of the Polish Community in Houlden Hall. A solemn Vigil Mass of Christ the King (in English with Polish hymns) will be held at 3.00pm, followed by tea, coffee and cake served by the Polish Girl Scouts in Houlden Hall. The Deputy Lieutenant and the Polish Consul General in Manchester will be attending, as well as representatives of ex-servicemen’s associations. This commemorative event is being organised by a group of second-generation Poles in Sheffield and all are welcome.

Journey in Faith: The first session of the Journey in Faith programme begins this week. If you are an adult who wishes to become Catholic, or have not received First Holy Communion or Confirmation, and have not yet registered, please come along on either Thursday (7.30pm) or Saturday (2.00pm) this week at Cathedral House.

There will be a presentation to Fr Clement after the 12.30pm Mass on Saturday 30th November, which he will celebrate, in thanksgiving for his ministry at St Marie's. Refreshments and the presentation will be in the Houlden Hall. If you would like to contribute to his gift, there are envelopes at the back of church which can be placed in the pedestals or through the door at Cathedral House.

The Big Thank You 2024—to all our church Volunteers: On Sunday the 24th November, when we celebrate Our Lord Jesus Christ as King of the Universe, we will also be celebrating our wonderful volunteers and all the blessings they bring our community! There will be refreshments after the 10.30am and 12.30pm Masses, so please join us if you can.

In Memoriam: In the Mortuary Chapel, which is in the left of the church, and where the bodies of the faithful departed rested prior to their funerals the following day, there is an opportunity to pray for your loved ones. Fill in a card with names of your loved one and place on the Altar with an LED candle on top. The clergy who served at St Marie's are remembered in the wall tiles. *Requiescat in pace.*

New Sunday Missals (ESV-CE/Abbey Psalms): Sunday Missals with the new translation of the readings and psalms for Mass, which comes into force on the 1st Sunday of Advent (1st December), are now available in the bookshop for £19.95. Advent items and Christmas cards will also be available soon.

Next Parish Pastoral Council Meeting—Tuesday 3rd December, 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 PPC@stmariecathedral.org. Thank you.

Mass for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing—Sunday 15th December, 3.00pm: A fully BSL signed Mass has been arranged by Caritas at St Marie's Cathedral for the 3rd Sunday of Advent (15th December) at 3.00pm. Prior to Covid, there was a well-attended Mass for this group of people, and in the future Caritas are hoping to schedule a number of such Masses throughout the Diocese. All welcome.

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!

Women's Group at St Marie's, each Thursday—welcoming new members: The Women's Group continues to meet every Thursday, offering friendship and laughter, faith 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.

The Legion of Mary meets after the 12.30pm Sunday Mass in the parish room. If you are interested in joining the Legion of Mary, or finding out more about it, please come along to the meetings, or contact Franklin via 07587 480738.

St Marie's Bible Group: St Marie's Bible group will be meeting this Wednesday for a 7.30pm start in Cathedral House. This week, we'll be looking at the eighth chapter of John's Gospel. All welcome!

Children's Liturgy at the 10.30am Mass – all children welcome! 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.

Volunteers needed as Welcomers and Stewards at the 8.00am Mass on Sundays: Please speak to a Steward to find out more, and contact Candida by email to PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

Statement on Assisted Suicide by the Bishops of England, Wales and Scotland: Our Bishops have issued a statement on the Assisted Suicide Bill, which will have its second reading in Parliament on 29th November. Copies of the statement are available at the back of the Cathedral, along with postcards from Lord Alton of Liverpool on behalf of *Not Dead Yet UK*, to assist in contacting your MP to vote against this legislation.

As the new Lectionary comes into force at the beginning of Advent, the “Guide to Reading at St Marie’s Cathedral” has been updated and reprinted. Please can all Readers collect their copy from the basket on the bookshelf under the bell tower. A WhatsApp group is also available for Readers, where vital information can be passed on, as well as last minute changes to the Reading rota. If you are not already in this group, please contact Bob Rae (bob.rae@stmariecathedral.org).

Next Good Shepherd Youth—Saturday 30th November, 4.00-7.00pm: Good Shepherd Youth 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! To find out more, please contact Candida on PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

Student bell ringers converge on Sheffield: Students from as far afield as Durham in the North East, Birmingham in the Midlands and Bangor in Wales will be ringing the St Marie’s bells this weekend. Members of the Northern Universities Association (NUA) Change Ringers are visiting the city for a bell-ringing competition at St Mary’s Anglican Church in Walkley. They will also be ringing at St Marie’s, the Anglican Cathedral, Rotherham Minster and St John’s, Ranmoor. The Universities ringers were due to join the Sheffield Universities Guild of Change Ringers practice on Friday evening and have also been invited to ring before the 6.30pm Mass on Sunday. If any member of the congregation is interested in finding out about or ringing the St Marie’s bells, please contact Bob Rae (ringing@bobrae.force9.co.uk; 07710 116701; 0114 266 2652).

November Memorial List 2024/25

November is the month in which we pray especially for the dead, and these prayers are collected together in the November Memorial List Masses celebrated throughout the coming year.

Forms are available on which you can list the names of individual family and friends, or make a family request (e.g. “Deceased members of the N. family”). Please place the form in the envelope provided, together with your donation, and hand it to one of the priests or stewards, put it in one of the donation pillars in the Cathedral, or post it through the letterbox at Cathedral House.

Devotion of the Month – Novena for the Holy Souls in Purgatory: During the month of November, we are all called to pray for those souls in Purgatory. Purgatory is an extension of God’s grace beyond our earthly lives, and this final purification is needed to attain the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. Please join us in praying a Novena for the Holy Souls, which you can find on our Facebook page, and on the Homepage of our website (<https://stmariecathedral.org>).

Saint of the Week – St Cecilia: On Wednesday 22nd November, we remember a third century saint, Cecilia, whose devotion to God was legendary. As an heiress of Rome, she challenged the ancient custom of arranged marriage. Although deferring to her father’s wishes by going ahead with the bond to a fellow noble, she confirmed her vows to God on her wedding day and determined to maintain her virginity. Her bridegroom was so impressed with her devotion that he converted to the faith too, and respected her maidenhood. It is said that while musicians played out her nuptials, she sung in her heart a pledge of faith to Heaven, making Cecilia the patroness saint of musicians. Cecilia, her husband and her husband’s brother were all eventually martyred for their faith – although, in Cecilia’s case, it took more than the one attempt to succeed.

Security

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

PLEASE SWITCH OFF YOUR MOBILE PHONE WHILST IN THE CATHEDRAL