



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: Closed until Tuesday 26th August

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20th and 21st Sundays per annum (C)

17th to 31st August 2025

20th Sunday per annum: I Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 Ps 40(39):2, 3, 4, 18. R 14b II Heb 12:1-4 G Lk 12:49-53

21st Sunday per annum: I Isa 66:18-21 Ps 117(116):1-2. R Mk 16:15 II Heb 12:5-7, 11-13 G Lk 13:22-30

22nd Sun per annum: I Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 Ps 68(67):4-5ac, 6-7b, 10-11. R cf. 11b II Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a G Lk 14:1, 7-14

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

Masses at St Marie's Cathedral

Sunday 17: 20th Sunday per annum

8.00am Veronique Akossibié Adje (R.I.P.)
10.30am Loui Fodor (anniversary)
12.30pm November Memorial List
6.30pm Charlie & Mary (blessings for marriage)

Monday 18: Monday in Week 20 per annum

8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm Charlie & Mary (blessings for marriage)
5.30pm Andy Sidowski (sick)

Tuesday 19: Tuesday in Week 20 per annum

8.00am Matthew Hazell (intentions)
12.30pm Hanna Piasecka-Shaw (intentions)
5.30pm Charlie & Mary (blessings for marriage)

Wednesday 20: St Bernard

8.00am Veronique Akossibié Adje (R.I.P.)
12.30pm Charlie & Mary (blessings for marriage)
5.30pm **NO MASS**

Thursday 21: St Pius X

8.00am Charlie & Mary (blessings for marriage)
12.30pm November Memorial List
5.30pm Amy Robertson (recently deceased)

Friday 22: Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8.00am Charlie & Mary (blessings for marriage)
12.30pm Sile Burns (anniversary)
5.30pm Caroline Middleton (R.I.P.)

Saturday 23: Saturday in Week 20 per annum

8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm Elizabeth McCall (recently deceased)

Sunday 24: 21st Sunday per annum

8.00am Candida Calvert (intentions)
10.30am November Memorial List
12.30pm Deceased Clergy of the Diocese of Hallam
6.30pm Annie O'Connor (R.I.P.)

Monday 25: Monday in Week 21 per annum

8.00am Vipin & Nupur (wedding anniversary)
12.30pm Terence Conneely (recently deceased)
5.30pm November Memorial List

Tuesday 26: Tuesday in Week 21 per annum

8.00am Rev Fr John Cashman (anniversary)
12.30pm November Memorial List
5.30pm Rt Rev Peter Elliott (recently deceased)

Wednesday 27: St Monica

8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm **Funeral Mass** (Terence Conneely)
5.30pm Veronique Akossibié Adje (R.I.P.)

Thursday 28: St Augustine

8.00am Thomas Brady (R.I.P.)
12.30pm Simone Piletto (anniversary)
5.30pm November Memorial List

Friday 29: The Passion of St John the Baptist

8.00am Tapan Kumar Choudhuri (R.I.P.)
12.30pm November Memorial List
5.30pm Rev Mgr James O'Brien (intentions)

Saturday 30: Saturday in Week 21 per annum

8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm Raymond Cardinal Burke (intentions)

Sunday 31: 22nd Sunday per annum

8.00am People of the Parishes
10.30am Rev Fr Kevin Athaide (intentions)
12.30pm Matthew & Lucy Hazell (intentions)
6.30pm Parish Sick List

Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

Sunday 17: 20th Sunday *per annum*

9.15am People of the Parish

Sunday 24: 21st Sunday *per annum*

9.15am November Memorial List

Sunday 31: 22nd Sunday *per annum*

9.15am November Memorial List

Holy Family

Sunday 17: 20th Sunday *per annum*

10.30am Parish Intentions

Sunday 24: 21st Sunday *per annum*

10.30am Parish Intentions

Sunday 31: 22nd Sunday *per annum*

10.30am Parish Intentions

Svätá Omša v slovenčine (Slovak Mass) – St Charles Borromeo

Sunday 17: 20. nedeľa v Cezročnom období

3.00pm **NO MASS**

Sunday 24: 21. nedeľa v Cezročnom období

3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sunday 31: 22. nedeľa v Cezročnom období

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 *2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 6.00pm (next one: 27th August)*

Divine Mercy Devotions *3.00pm, Monday–Friday*

Legion of Mary *Sundays, after 12.30pm Mass (in Parish Room)*

Bible Study Group *Wednesdays, 7.30-8.30pm (in Cathedral House)*

Young Adults (18-35) Faith Group *Last Saturdays, 11.00am (next: 30th August), in Parish Room*

We pray for Christine Naylor, Amy Robertson, Francesca Sobiesinski, Elizabeth McCall, Terence Conneely, and all those who have died recently.

Please remember in your prayers our sick: Elizabeth Sandy, Jean Hegarty, Rima Lattash, Margaret & John Whitehead, Angela Eddy, Mary Parkinson, Kevin Worsnop, Damian Osako, Patricia Allen, Mary Worsnop, Jean Rogers (*flowers*), Kingsley Owomero, Charles Teti, Jean Rodgers (*ex-sacristan*), Liam Blayney, Gabriel Ofodile Okafor, Margaret Brennan, Diana, Karen Parry, Sarah Betts, Jean Nowak, Liam Bambury, Owen Jenkinson, Sean Nagle, Margaret Smith, Andy Sidowski, 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 fortnight: 17 Aug – Loui Fodor; 18 Aug – Rev Fr Joseph Quigley, Rev Fr Nicola Milo, Richard Eze; 19 Aug – Rev Fr Oliver Wilson, Victoria Olayemi Ifeoma; 24 Aug – Stasia Jezierska; 26 Aug – Rev Fr John Cashman; 27 Aug – Graham Johnson; 28 Aug – Simone Piletto.

Are you a job seeker? Help and support still available over the summer: We are One Church, One Family – and this group is for anyone trying to find new or better employment, or seeking sponsorship in the UK. Although we are having a break for the summer, help and support is still available if needed. We also have a WhatsApp group you can join, and there's a welcome pack to help get you started. Please contact Candida on PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

The next Baptism Preparation course will be on Saturday 13th 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.

Journey in Faith 2025/26—Advance Notice: The Cathedral's "Journey in Faith" course is for all who want to become Catholic, for adult Catholics who have not received their First Holy Communion or been Confirmed, and for Catholics who want to learn more about the faith. Registration for this year's programme will take place in the autumn, on Saturday 18th October, 3.30pm.

Pray for your husband and children weekly by using Mothers Prayers: If you would like to pray for your husband and children (and your children's children – if they have any), please consider 'Mothers Prayers.' All you need to find is one other mother to pray with, and contact Candida for the prayer booklets. Mothers Prayers was started in November 1995, and has spread right around the globe. Each group follows the same prayer format, and has been credited with many, many family improvements and reconciliations. (Do not underestimate the power of a mother's prayer!). We have some Mothers Prayers starter packs available; please speak to Candida for more information: PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

Everyday Evangelising for everyday Catholics – in the workplace: Do your colleagues at work know that you are a Christian, and a practicing Catholic? One of the biggest criticisms of Christians in general is that they tend to keep the Good News to themselves! And yet 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 workplaces:

- actively show love and care for the people you work with, and the customers you serve; show an interest in their personal lives, and make time to listen to them
- transact all business dealings honestly; our conduct should be a reflection of our Saviour - Jesus
- respect others, irrespective of their differing religious beliefs or personal preferences; each individual is dearly loved by God, and the right to judge them is His alone. Invite the Lord to speak to you about any discomfort you feel
- pray before making decisions; invite God to speak to you personally about the options, and be ready to listen to His guidance
- offer to pray for (or even better, with!) a co-worker who has shared some personal concerns; begin with something simple like: "I'm a person who likes to pray... Can I pray for you?"
- offer to pray at the start of important business meetings; this is a gift you can share with others
- be ready to talk about the part Jesus plays in your life, and to be open about your Catholic faith; what testimonies can you share with them?
- spend time with co-workers who share your Christian beliefs, and look for opportunities to pray together.

Love God and your neighbour by please turning your mobile to silent when you are in the Cathedral: As humans, we become easily distracted by the things of this world, and our mobiles are often a way for the outside world to intrude on our spiritual lives. Please do yourself and your neighbours some good by turning your mobiles to silent, especially when you are in the Cathedral for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, or for Holy Mass. Our Lord Jesus most definitely deserves our undivided attention! Thank you.

Heritage Open Days (12th–21st September): The Heritage Open Days are a national and local opportunity for the public to visit Heritage sites, some of which are rarely open. St Marie's Cathedral takes part every year, welcoming numerous visitors. The theme this year is *Architecture*, giving St Marie's an ideal opportunity to show off its beautiful Victorian architecture. Heritage displays, heritage books and leaflets will be available.

Young Catholic professional urgently seeking single room to rent: We have an international (Indian) postgraduate student, due to complete his studies this September, urgently seeking new accommodation to move in on 29th August. His preferred budget is £75-80/wk (£300/month), including bills. If you have a spare room to rent out, or you would like to join forces with him (and others) to form a group of 3 or 4 to find a house together, please contact Candida at PPC@stmariecathedral.org for his contact details.

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 focuses on the Blessed Mother's interior life, celebrating her joys and sorrow, her virtues, and her love for God. The Immaculate Heart of Mary gives us an example of how we – as Christians – should love. The Five First Saturdays of the Month is a devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, given to Lucia (one of the children at Fatima) as a much-needed act of reparation of us sinners against her Immaculate Heart – a reparation that will save souls and create peace in our world. You can practice this devotion by – most importantly – having a clear intent of offering reparation for offences made against Our Lady's Immaculate Heart, and wanting to personally grow in holiness. With clarity of this intent, it is then (1) making a good confession during the 8 days prior to each of five consecutive first Saturdays; (2) attending Holy Mass and receiving Holy Communion on First Saturdays, for 5 consecutive Saturdays; (3) following Mass by reciting 5 decades of the Holy Rosary on each First Saturday; (4) spending an additional 15 minutes meditating on one of the mysteries of the Holy Rosary at the end of praying the Holy Rosary; and (5) finishing the devotion by praying a prayer to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

“Northern Pilgrimage of Hope”—English Catholic History Association Pilgrimage: Registration is now open for “The Northern Pilgrimage of Hope – St Mark's Way”, which will start on Saturday 6 September at St Anne's Cathedral (Leeds), calling in at St Marie's Cathedral on the Monday and Padley Chapel on the Tuesday, and finishing at St Barnabas Cathedral (Nottingham) on Saturday 13th September. Walkers are invited to join the whole walk, or just parts of it. For more information, please visit <https://www.pilgrimways.org.uk/national-jubilee-pilgrimage-of-hope>.

Saint of the Fortnight

Saint of the Fortnight – St Monica, a long-suffering wife and mother: On Wednesday 27th August, we remember St Monica, whose strength of faith, perseverance and emotional endurance brought about the eventual conversion of her pagan husband and her wayward son. Born in the 4th century in Algeria, Monica was brought up as a Christian but married a pagan soldier who was debauched, bad-tempered and most probably unfaithful. On top of this, he had a drinking problem and his protective mother lived with them in their house. But Monica's strength of faith in the ultimate goodness of humanity overcame these obstacles, and one by one they subsided. Her husband converted to Christianity the year before he died, leaving her widowed at 40, with their 3 children to raise – the eldest being Augustine. She devoted much of her energy to bringing up her children to be Christian, but the young Augustine was having none of it, and treated her faith and religion with contempt. His relationship with an unknown woman for 14 years brought Monica constant grief, but she held on to the encouraging words of the local bishop who assured her: “It is not possible that the son of so many tears should be lost”. Intent on winning his soul for Christ, Monica relentlessly pursued him from city to city. On the advice of others, she eventually gave up arguing with him and instead turned to prayer and fasting. In Milan, she became a disciple of the great bishop Ambrose, who was instrumental in finally bringing about the conversion of her son. As they waited at the port in Ostia at Rome, they were joined in blissful spiritual union. With great rejoicing, Monica at last felt her mission completed, and she died 5 days later. Her son went on to become St Augustine of Hippo, the most influential theologians of the early Church. St Monica – you know the pain we suffer when our husband and our children do not share faith in the truth and light that is Jesus! Please pray with us as we bring our petitions for conversion of their hearts before the Lord. Amen.