



**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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2nd Sunday of Lent (A)

1st to 8th March 2026

Readings: *I Gen 12:1-4a Ps 33(32):4-5, 18-19, 20+22. R 5b II 2 Tim 1:8b-10 G Mt 17:1-9*

Next Sunday: *I Ex 17:3-7 Ps 95(94):1-2, 6-7b, 7c-9. R 7c+8a II Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 G Jn 4:5-42*

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

Cathedral

Sunday 1 March: 2nd Sunday of Lent

8.00am Barbara Davies (intentions)
10.30am Teresa Pavey (anniversary)
12.30pm Parish Sick List
6.30pm Annie O'Connor (R.I.P.)

Monday 2: Monday in Week 2 of Lent

8.00am Jan Stanislaw Piasecki (anniversary)
12.30pm Lilani Seneviratne (intentions)
5.30pm Chrissie Conway (recently deceased)

Tuesday 3: Tuesday in Week 2 of Lent

8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm Clergy of St Marie's (intentions)
5.30pm Anna

Wednesday 4: Wednesday in Week 2 of Lent

8.00am Barbara Flavien (special intention)
12.30pm The Forde family (intentions)
5.30pm November Memorial List

Thursday 5: Thursday in Week 2 of Lent

8.00am Yorkshire Brethren
12.30pm Mr & Mrs Benoit and Michael Jean (R.I.P.)
5.30pm Joseph Paulos (birthday)

Friday 6: Friday in Week 2 of Lent

8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm Dinusha Boteju (intentions)
5.30pm Anna & Caroline Morfitt (safe travel)

Saturday 7: Saturday in Week 2 of Lent

8.00am Rev Fr Christopher Ainslie (intentions)
12.30pm **Funeral Mass** (Angela Danquah)

Next Weekend – Cathedral

Sunday 8: 3rd Sunday of Lent

8.00am Edgar Platt (anniversary)
10.30am The Calvert family (intentions)
12.30pm People of the Parishes
6.30pm Donie (birthday)

Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

Sunday 1: 2nd Sunday of Lent

9.15am November Memorial List

Sunday 8: 3rd Sunday of Lent

9.15am November Memorial List

Holy Family

Sunday 1: 2nd Sunday of Lent

10.30am Parish Intentions

Sunday 8: 3rd Sunday of Lent

10.30am Parish Intentions

Svätá Omša v slovenčine

(Slovak Mass) – St Charles Borromeo

Sunday 1: 2. pôstna nedeľa

3.00pm People of the Parishes

Sunday 8: 3. pôstna nedeľa

3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sacrament of Confession	<i>Monday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm</i>
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	<i>Monday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm</i> <i>.....Saturday: after 8.00am Mass (with Benediction)</i>
Rosary	<i>Friday and Saturday: after the 12.30pm Mass</i>
Stations of the Cross	<i>Tuesdays during Lent: after the 12.30pm Mass</i> <i>.....Fridays during Lent: after the 5.30pm Mass</i>
Divine Mercy Devotions	<i>3.00pm, Monday–Friday</i>
Legion of Mary	<i>Sundays, after 12.30pm Mass (in Parish Room)</i>
Bible Study Group	<i>Wednesdays, 7.30-8.30pm (in Cathedral House)</i>
Young Adults (18-35) Faith Group	<i>2nd & 4th Saturdays, 11.00am (next: 28th Feb), Parish Room</i>
Let Us Pray (Prayer Formation Group)	<i>Saturdays, 2.00-4.00pm, Parish Room</i>

We pray for Philip Finnigan, Angela Danquah, Anne-Marie Fletcher, Henrietta Omozele Otoibhi, and all those who have died recently.

Please remember in your prayers our sick: Elizabeth Sandy, Jean Hegarty, Rima Lattash, Margaret 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 Blayne, Gabriel Ofodile Okafor, Margaret Brennan, Diana, Karen Parry, Sarah Betts, Liam Bambury, Jean Nowak, Sean Nagle, Margaret Smith, Lucy Hazell, Oscar Almeida, Liam 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: 2 Mar – Jan Stanisław Piasecki; 4 Mar – Anyawu Joseph Ajiwe; 5 Mar – Zofia Wolarek; 6 Mar – Michalina Kwiatkowska; 8 Mar – Jose Chachan, Toom Mintiens, Edgar Platt.

Support your Church and Clergy: The Cathedral's bank details (for direct debit/standing order/internet banking) are as follows:

Name of Bank Account: St Marie's Restoration Fund

Sort code: 40-41-07

Account number: 01094289

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 on Sunday, at the 10.30am Mass: Each Sunday (during termtime), we share and discuss the Gospel, and nurture the hearts and minds of our youngest parishioners in the Truth and the Light that is Jesus. 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.

The Flower Team would like to thank everyone who donates towards the cost of fresh flowers. However, during Lent there are no flowers in church. Nearer Easter, we would like to invite contributions of small plants to be placed in the Easter Garden.

St Marie's Bible Group: The St Marie's Bible group will be meeting this Wednesday for a 7.30pm start in Cathedral House. All welcome!

More volunteers needed as Welcomers/Stewards our Masses on Sundays: We are looking to expand our team of stewards at all our Sunday Masses. If you are able to get to Mass at least 20 minutes before the start, please offer your services! Jobs include handing out the music sheets and Newsletters, giving people a warm welcome, answering queries, and generally serving our church community. If you think you can help, please speak to a member of the stewarding team to find out more, and contact Candida and Ana by email to: PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

The annual diocesan collection and appeal for Life will take place on Sunday 15th March: Life is a nationwide charity offering, counselling and support for crisis pregnancy and those suffering following an abortion (<https://lifecharity.org.uk/>).

Ecumenical City Centre Cross: From Palm Sunday onwards, a large cross is placed outside the Town Hall. Volunteers from the City Centre churches, including St Marie's, are asked to volunteer to stand by the Cross, help passers-by to place a memorial, and answer questions. We have been asked to cover Good Friday from 11.00am–2.00pm. Can you help? An hour? A couple of hours? A sign-up sheet will be available next week. Please e-mail eileen.maher@stmariecathedral.org for more information.

Let Us Pray – New Parish Prayer Formation Group: St Marie's has established a new prayer formation group, *Let Us Pray*, offering parishioners a regular space to gather, slow down, and pray together. Through guided communal prayer and reading group sessions, we will explore and practise different forms of Catholic prayer in a gentle and welcoming way. The group meets every Saturday, 2.00-4.00pm in the Parish Room. All parishioners are warmly invited.

Hallam Diocese Justice and Peace Commission: The diocese is looking to restart a Justice and Peace Commission in the coming weeks. This group will seek to be a visible and proactive sign of Justice and Peace across the diocese and the wider community. It works to identify areas (locally, nationally and internationally) where support and awareness are needed, acting based on Gospel values. Work can be based around action on poverty, climate change, racism and highlighting the needs of minority communities. If working in this field is something you have experience in, or something you are passionate about, the diocese would love to hear from you. Please register interest to Niall Corroon (member of the Diocesan Pastoral Council) at ppc@stmariecathedral.org.

Concert for Strings and Organ—Saturday 7th March: *The West Riding Ensemble* will be joining our organist, Robert Webb for a concert celebrating music for Strings and Organ on Saturday 7th March. The programme includes a new commission for the ensemble and to celebrate the 150th anniversary of our wonderful Lewis Organ, Robert will be playing the exciting and thrilling *Organ Concerto* by the French composer, Francis Poulenc. This challenging piece will show off the organ at its finest, an occasion not to be missed. The concert is at 7.30pm and tickets are available on-line via a link on the cathedral website

Online Lent Resources from the Catholic Truth Society: The CTS have put together some online video resources for Lent. First, there is an online Lent Retreat with St John Henry Newman, guided by Fr George Bowen, designed to help Catholics to go deeper into the Gospels of Lent through his preaching. There is also a podcast called "Good Habits", exploring questions of meaning through the wisdom of the virtues, hosted by Fr John Church O.P. and Fr Toby Lees O.P. Both of these can be found on the CTS YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@CatholicTruthSociety>.

Arise:March Prayer Walk – Wednesday 3rd March, 1.00pm: Do you want to learn more about how to prayer-walk the streets of our city? Join Candida, after the 12.30pm lunchtime Mass on Wednesday, for an hour of prayer-walking in the city centre. Everyone welcome!

The next talk and social of St Marie's Christian Village will be on Saturday 7th March, 6.00pm in Houlden Hall. The theme is *Sanctity of Life*, presented by Fr Paddy Walsh. After the talk, we will share supper together and enjoy time to socialise as a community. CVSM is open to all Christian-young and old, families and individuals. Please bring a contribution of food to share. For more information, please speak to Raf or Valeria (after 10.30am Sunday Mass), or email rafiduk@yahoo.co.uk.

Please help us prayer-walk every street in this city! Do you ever walk the streets of Sheffield? If so, could you turn your everyday walk into a prayer-walk, helping us to call in God's love and favour onto the city of Sheffield? During the month of March, we Catholics are invited to join all other Christians living here to pray on every street of Sheffield for the people who live here, and it's working... A quiet revival is underway. The more we pray for this, the stronger this revival will become! So please join in with the Arise:March challenge – and register the streets you have walked using their easy-to-use App, which can be found here: <https://www.arisesheffield.org/arisemarch>

What is God up to in Sheffield? For lots of encouraging stories about how God is working in Sheffield (and in Rotherham, and the Peaks and Dales), please read the free digital version of the Arise Magazine, which can be found here: <https://www.arisesheffield.org/arise-magazine-1/spring-2026>

Hallam Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026: Bookings are now being taken for the Hallam Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 26th June–2nd July. The cost is £1,010, to include flights from Leeds Bradford to Lourdes, 6 nights' accommodation, full board and insurance. There will be a full religious programme led by Bishop Ralph. The theme this year is *Hail, full of grace*. For bookings see <https://www.tangney-tours.com/diocese-pilgrimages/diocese-hallam/> or call 01732 886666. Paper booking forms are also available. For further information, please call 01302 247910 / 07724 650066 or email lourdesoffice@hallam-diocese.com.

Diocesan Lenten Day of Recollection—Everything is connected: how do we care for our common home? The diocesan Lenten day of recollection will take place this year at St Vincent's, Crookes (40 Pickmere Rd, S10 1GY) on Saturday 21 March, from 11.00am–3.00pm (tea/coffee from 10.30am). Rt Rev John Arnold, the Bishop of Salford and environmental spokesperson for the CBCEW, and Dr Maria Exall, of the Department of Theology and Religion at Durham University, will be speaking. The event is free. Please bring your own packed lunch. Booking and more information can be found at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/hallam-formation-and-mission-46212155433>.

Devotion of the Month – to St Joseph: During the month of March, we are all encouraged to focus on St Joseph – the spouse of Mary, foster-father of Jesus, and head of the Holy Family. He is the noble offspring of David, and is the only other person, besides Jesus, to ever be called the 'Son of David' in the New Testament: "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 1:20). The angel had come to remind St Joseph of his royal ancestry at a very crucial moment in salvation history, and to let him know what role he had been given by God in the coming of the Messiah. All saints are heroes of the faith, but St Joseph is unique: he is honoured and loved as the man closest to Christ Jesus, and his virtues and holiness are extraordinary – which is why he has been the delight of so many saints throughout the ages. His love, guidance, protection and intercession are available to you too, to take this opportunity to get to know St Joseph better this month! Reflecting on the Litany to St Joseph is a good place to start; copies can be found at the back of Church.

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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