



**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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## 4th Sunday of Easter (A)

*26th April to 3rd May 2026*

**Readings:** *I Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Ps 23(22):1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6. R<sup>x</sup>1 II 1 Pet 2:20b-25 G Jn 10:1-10*

**Next Sunday:** *I Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33(32):1-2, 4-5, 18-19. R<sup>x</sup>22 II 1 Pet 2:4-9 G Jn 14:1-12*

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

### Cathedral

#### **Sunday 26 April: 4th Sunday of Easter**

8.00am Vocations to the Priesthood  
10.30am Balthasar Martins (in thanksgiving)  
12.30pm Andy Sadowski (recently deceased)  
6.30pm People of the Parishes

#### **Monday 27: Monday in Week 4 of Easter**

8.00am B.J. and Marcheline (intentions)  
12.30pm Robert Harris (R.I.P.)  
5.30pm November Memorial List

#### **Tuesday 28: Tuesday in Week 4 of Easter**

8.00am Gina Bristol (intentions)  
12.30pm Sean Nagle (R.I.P.)  
5.30pm Maria Ligresti (anniversary)

#### **Wednesday 29: ST CATHERINE OF SIENA**

8.00am November Memorial List  
12.30pm Kuriakose & Chinnamma (healing)  
5.30pm Tiji Mathew & Shalom Mariam

#### **Thursday 30: Thursday in Week 4 of Easter**

8.00am Special intention (anon.)  
12.30pm Sheila Parden (intentions)  
5.30pm Collette (intentions)

#### **Friday 1 May: Friday in Week 4 of Easter**

8.00am Rt Rev Ralph Heskett, C.S.S.R. (intentions)  
12.30pm Ian Campbell (recently deceased)  
5.30pm Jill Sporell (recently deceased)

#### **Saturday 2: St Athanasius**

8.00am November Memorial List  
12.30pm Odette Martins (in thanksgiving)

### Next Weekend – Cathedral

#### **Sunday 3: 5th Sunday of Easter**

8.00am People of the Parishes  
10.30am John O'Malley (anniversary)  
12.30pm Andrew Sadowski (recently deceased)  
6.30pm Virgilio del Rosario (anniversary)

### Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

#### **Sunday 26 April: 4th Sunday of Easter**

9.15am Tim Bennett (R.I.P.)

#### **Sunday 3 May: 5th Sunday of Easter**

9.15am Parish Intentions

### Holy Family

#### **Sunday 26 April: 4th Sunday of Easter**

10.30am Parish Intentions

#### **Sunday 3 May: 5th Sunday of Easter**

10.30am Parish Intentions

### Svätá Omša v slovenčine

(Slovak Mass) – St Charles Borromeo

#### **Sunday 26 April: 4. Veľkonočná nedeľa**

3.00pm Zuzana Ščuková (sick)

#### **Sunday 3 May: 5. Veľkonočná nedeľa**

3.00pm Parish Intentions

<b>Sacrament of Confession</b> .....	<i>Monday–Wednesday and Friday: 11.30am–12.15pm</i>
<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b> .....	<i>Monday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm</i>
<b>Rosary</b> .....	<i>Friday and Saturday: after the 12.30pm Mass</i>
<b>Divine Mercy Devotions</b> .....	<i>3.00pm, Monday–Friday</i>
<b>Legion of Mary</b> .....	<i>Sundays, after 12.30pm Mass (in Parish Room)</i>
<b>Bible Study Group</b> .....	<i>Next meeting: <u>Wednesday 6th May</u>, 7.30pm (in Cathedral House)</i>
<b>Let Us Pray (Prayer Formation Group)</b> .....	<i>Saturdays, 2.00-4.00pm, Parish Room</i>
<b>Young Adults (18-35) Faith Group</b> .....	<i>2nd &amp; 4th Saturdays, 11.00am (next: 9th May), Parish Room</i>

**We pray** for Mary Burns, Robert Goodinson, Irene Scales, Margaret Conway, 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, Balthazar Martins, 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:** 27 Apr – Anna Gabzdył; 28 Apr – Krystian Nogły; 30 Apr – Winifred Whiteley; 1 May – Arthur Hopkin, Brenda Reynolds; 3 May – John O’Malley.

**St Marie’s Bible Group:** The next meeting of the St Marie’s Bible group will on Wednesday 6th May, for a 7.30pm start in Cathedral House, when the group will begin looking at Galatians (1:1–2:14). All welcome!

**‘Little Fishes’, our 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 situated 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.

**St Marie’s Women’s Group, 11.00am–12.15pm on Thursdays in Houlden Hall:** The Women’s Group meets 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. We are now meeting in Houlden Hall; please ring the bell for St Marie’s Norfolk Chambers (right next to next to the Cathedral’s main entrance) and you will be let in.

**Children’s Liturgy on Sunday, at the 10.30am Mass:** Each Sunday (during term time), 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.

**Good Shepherd Youth – next session on Saturday 9th May:** Good Shepherd Youth is open to all secondary-aged young people, whether they come to Church or not. To find out more, please email Candida on [Candida.Calvert@stmariecathedral.org](mailto:Candida.Calvert@stmariecathedral.org).

## **Leeds, Middlesbrough and Hallam Diocesan Consultation 2026**

Pope Leo has invited Bishop Marcus to explore with all the faithful in the dioceses of Hallam, Leeds and Middlesbrough how our three dioceses can work together in close collaboration, with a view to a possible future union as one diocesan family. As part of this, St Marie's and the other parishes are hosting parish forums on **Sunday 10th May**, to which all are welcome and encouraged to attend:

- **St Marie's:** 2.00pm, in Houlden Hall;
- **St Oswald's:** after the 9.15am Mass;
- **Holy Family:** after the 10.30am Mass;
- **Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows (Slovaks):** after the 3.00pm Mass

A letter from Bishop Marcus, with more information about the consultation as well as an online questionnaire, can be found at <https://hallam-diocese.com/leeds-middlesborough-hallam-consultation-2026/>.

**There is a Holy Hour for Life (Adoration)** at Mother of God Church (Abbeydale Rd, S7 1DX) on the last Saturday of the month, after the 10.00am Mass.

**The Let Us Pray Prayer formation group's April focus will be on the Ignatian *Examen* Prayer**, a reflective prayer method that invites us to review our life in the light of God's presence. Fr Peter Scally SJ, a Jesuit priest and creator of the *Pray-as-you-go* podcast/app, online journal *Thinking Faith*, and prayer website *Sacred Space*, will be leading us in prayer. He will introduce a variety of approaches to the *Examen*, offering step-by-step guidance. Come and discover the richness of the *Examen*, and deepen your practice of this simple yet powerful prayer at the heart of St Ignatius' spirituality, helping us to "find God in all things."

**Sharing the Gospel with others – taking the next step:** At the end of every Mass, we are encouraged to share the message of the Gospel. But how do we do that? How do we share the good news of Jesus with our troubled world? We've already talked about the first step: simply finding opportunities to mention to others that we go to Church, and sharing the Gospel truth that God loves you, and He has an amazing plan for your life! The next step involves two key messages: (1) That unfortunately, sin has disrupted that plan, leaving us separated from God, but that (2) God loved us so much that He sent His Only Son to die for our sins, so that we have a bridge back to God – and a chance for Eternal Life. Because we all come from God, and (despite not usually remembering this) we are all trying to find our way back to God. So, step out in faith this week! Keep your eyes and ears open for the little opportunities God may be sending your way, to be brave and to share a little of your faith this Eastertime!

**Visit of the Relic of Our Lady of Guadalupe at Mother of God Parish—Saturday 6th June:** The visit will begin at 10.00am with Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop emeritus Ralph. This Relic has been declared as an Authorised Relic that extends the graces of evangelisation, conversion and truth to those who receive it. For more information, please contact Rachel Wood ([40dforsheffield@gmail.com](mailto:40dforsheffield@gmail.com)).

**Please pray for our students:** Let us all join together to pray for all students within our parish (and beyond) who are carrying the cross of exams or assessments at the moment. In particular, let us pray for those who are doing their GCSEs and A'levels, as well as for all our University students. May they seek the presence of the Lord more earnestly at this time, and may they individually, and personally, experience His divine love, help, peace and joy. In Jesus' mighty name we pray, Amen.

**Devotion of the Month of May – to the Blessed Virgin Mary:** Following on from the Visitation of the Centenary Statue of Our Lady, we are encouraged – during the month of May - to increase our devotion to Mary, who is our spiritual mother and powerful intercessor in Heaven. The Blessed Virgin Mary was exquisitely created to be Daughter to The Father, Mother to The Son, and Spouse of The Holy Spirit. Her unique, God-given mission was intrinsically tied up with her Son's work of salvation – and still is, putting her above all the angels and saints in Heaven. We have two Marian Feasts this month: Our Lady of Fatima, on the 13th of May, and the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the 31st May. During this month, we are encouraged not only to pray to her often, but to make a pilgrimage if possible, visit churches dedicated to her, make little sacrifices in her honour, offer up to her a period of study or a well-finished piece of work, and a more attentive recitation of the rosary. You may also enjoy crowning her in some way this month, as Mother of God and Queen of Heaven!

**Saint of the Week – St Catherine of Siena, mystic and Doctor of the Church:** On Wednesday 29th April, we remember St Catherine of Siena, an Italian mystic who lived in the 14th Century. She was the youngest of 25 children born to loving parents in the thriving city of Siena, who had a deep devotion to God from an early age, and who had many supernatural experiences which drew her more deeply into a life of prayer, penance and devotion. She had her first vision aged just 6 years. In 1363, aged 16 years, she joined the Third Order of Saint Dominic, which was made up of lay people who wore a religious habit but lived at home, and worked in the world rather than in a cloister. They served the poor and sick and performed charitable works. When she was 21 years old, she entered into what would later be described as a 'mystical marriage' with our Lord; she then began a more active ministry of the poor, sick and imprisoned of Siena. Catherine also began to get involved in controversies that were plaguing the Church and State. She wrote hundreds of letters to kings, queens, nobility, religious, priests and even to the pope himself. When divisions in the Church became so profound, Catherine engaged in severe penance and prayer, living only on the Holy Eucharist which she received every day. In 1375, she received the gift of an invisible stigmata, which appeared physically on her body only after her death. She is credited with persuading the papacy to return to Rome in 1377, having previously moved to Avignon, France. She continued to rally people, and gained many followers, addressing political, cultural and moral abuses. But her last, and perhaps greatest gift to the Church, was her book entitled The Dialogue of Divine Providence. Catherine is seen as one of the greatest and most influential saints in the history of the Church, and was declared a Doctor of the Church in 1970

**During Eastertide, the *Regina Caeli* is said in place of the *Angelus*:**

Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia!  
The Son whom you merited to bear, alleluia!  
Has risen, as he said, alleluia!  
Pray for us to God, alleluia!

V. Rejoice and be glad, O virgin Mary, alleluia!  
R. For the Lord is truly risen, alleluia!

Let us pray. O God, who gave joy to the world through the Resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant, we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life, through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

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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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