



**THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST MARIE
with the Churches of Holy Family
and Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald**

Cathedral House, Norfolk Street, Sheffield, S1 2JB



Office Hours: Monday–Friday, 9.30am–12.30pm & 1.30–4.30pm

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THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
16th to 23rd August 2026

Readings: *I* Rev 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab **Ps** 45(44):10, 11, 12, 16. *R* 10b *II* 1 Cor 15:20-27 **G** Lk 1:39-56

Next Sunday: *I* Isa 22:15, 19-23 **Ps** 138(137):1-2a, 2bc+3, 6+8bc. *R* 8bc *II* Rom 11:33-36 **G** Mt 16:13-20

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

Cathedral

Sunday 16: THE ASSUMPTION OF THE B.V.M.

8.00am Anastasie (recently deceased)
10.30am People of the Parishes
12.30pm The Calvert family (intentions)
6.30pm Ikehukwu Nwabueze (R.I.P.)

Monday 17: Monday in Week 20 *per annum*

8.00am Marie Alice & Charles (R.I.P.)
12.30pm M.F. & A.F. (in thanksgiving)
5.30pm November Memorial List

Tuesday 18: Tuesday in Week 20 *per annum*

8.00am Andrea Emilia Bernabey (intentions)
12.30pm For conversion (H.W.)
5.30pm Amian & Frebo families (protection)

Wednesday 19: Wednesday in Week 20 *per annum*

8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm S.A.F. (special intention)
5.30pm Veronique Akossibié Adje (R.I.P.)

Thursday 20: St Bernard

8.00am S.A.F. (special intention)
12.30pm In thanksgiving (H.W.)
5.30pm Mary (intentions)

Friday 21: St Pius X

8.00am Cáceres family (intentions)
12.30pm Aglee family (intentions)
5.30pm S.A.F. (special intention)

Saturday 22: Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8.00am Matthew & Lucy Hazell (intentions)
12.30pm Sile Burns (anniversary)

Next Weekend – Cathedral

Sunday 23: 21st Sunday *per annum*

8.00am M.C. & husband (intentions)
10.30am Deceased Members of Cáceres & Rios families
12.30pm The Holy Souls
6.30pm Gustavo Bardana (intentions)

Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

Sunday 16: THE ASSUMPTION OF THE B.V.M.

9.15am Anon. (special intention)

Sunday 23: 21st Sunday *per annum*

9.15am For the wellbeing of Rita Bennett

Holy Family

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10.30am November Memorial List

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10.30am People of the Parishes

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

Sun 16: NANEBOVZATIE PREBLAHOSLAVENEJ PANNY MÁRIE

3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sunday 23: 21. nedeľa v Cezročnom období

3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sacrament of Confession	<i>Monday–Tuesday & Thursday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm</i>
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	<i>Mon–Tue & Thu–Sat: 11.30am–12.15pm</i>
Rosary	<i>Friday and Saturday: after the 12.30pm 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, 7.30pm (in Cathedral House)</i>
Let Us Pray (Prayer Formation Group)	<i>Saturdays, 2.00-4.00pm, Parish Room</i>
Young Adults (18-35) Faith Group	<i>2nd & 4th Saturdays, 11.00am (next: 22nd Aug), Parish Room</i>

We pray for Rev Fr Brendan McKeefry, 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 Blayney, 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, Lynn Hyland, Philip Gardiner, 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 Aug – Loui Fodor; 19 Aug – Mariamma Kuriako; 23 Aug – Dennis Ashton.

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!

The “Little Fishes” toddler group, Children’s Liturgy and Good Shepherd Youth are all having a break over the summer: We wish all our families a wonderful summer holiday, and really look forward to seeing everyone again at the start of the new school term!

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 candida.calvert@stmariecathedral.org.

The Let Us Pray Prayer formation group's August program is a reading group on *The Practice of the Presence of God* by Brother Lawrence. This spiritual classic offers a simple yet profound vision of the Christian life: learning to remain attentive to God's presence in the midst of ordinary daily tasks. Through humility, simplicity, and love, it shows that deep prayer is accessible to all, not just in set times, but in every moment. August, dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, provides a fitting spiritual context for this journey. Our reading group will centre on exploring how we can grow in recollection, attentiveness, and loving awareness of God in all things. Clarissa Mswaka will be leading the reading group sessions. All are very welcome.

Job Vacancy—Diocesan Choral Director: The Diocese of Hallam is seeking to recruit an enthusiastic and appropriately qualified Choral Director who, working closely with the Lead Diocesan Choral Director, will be responsible for working within local Catholic schools to implement and develop the National Schools Singing Programme (NSSP). The Choral Director will work within schools Catholic primary schools and will be responsible for the development of choral singing in those schools, nurturing potential in the diverse communities those schools are located in. The core work of the Choral Director takes place during the school day in the diocesan primary schools, although children in the NSSP with a particular interest in singing will be encouraged to take part in after-school choirs and Sunday Masses and services. For more detail about the role and an application form, please email Mr Chris Edge at cedge@hallam-diocese.com. Closing Date for Applications: 28th September 2026 at 9.00am.

Join March for Life UK on Saturday 5th September in London for the annual march for life, the "Pro-Life Summit" and "Youth Summit". Unite with thousands of others at this family-friendly event, where we recognise the value of life from conception and help all people understand why abortion is a tragedy in itself and one that harms the family to the very core. Find out more at marchforlife.co.uk or email info@marchforlife.co.uk. To book a seat from Sheffield, email 40dforsheffield@gmail.com.

Leeds Walsingham Way is a new Joint Diocesan Camino for the Year of St Francis of Assisi! Full information and links for Day Pilgrims to sign up for any of the days walking through Leeds or Hallam Dioceses can be found at <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/day-pilgrims-invited-to-join-new-diocesan-walking-pilgrimage/>. All are welcome to join for Mass: the Camino begins Saturday 12th September with 8.00am Pilgrims' Mass at Leeds Cathedral, followed by walk to Wakefield; 8.00am Sunday Mass at St Austin's, Wakefield, followed by walk into Hallam; 8.00am Mass at St Marie's Cathedral, Sheffield, on Tuesday 15th September, followed by a walk to Padley Martyrs' Chapel.

Love God and your neighbour by please turning your mobile to silent when you are in the Cathedral: As human beings, 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.

St Peter-in-Chains (Doncaster) will be hosting a special Day of Prayer on Saturday 24th October, promoting the Shrine of Our Lady of Doncaster. The day will begin with Adoration and Benediction at 10.00am during which confessions will be available and is followed by the celebration of Holy Mass. Reflections will be given during the afternoon and the day ends with the rosary led by the Irish singer Dana, finishing around 3.00pm. A nine-week novena in preparation for the day begins on Saturday 22nd August, asking Our Lady of Doncaster and the four beatified martyrs of the Diocese of Hallam (Bb Nicolas Garlick, Robert Ludlum, John Anne, and William Richardson) to intercede for us. For bookings and further information please contact hailfulofgrace2026@gmail.com.

Changes to Cathedral schedule this week: Please note that there will be no Confessions or Exposition on Wednesday 19th August.

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.

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. Saint Anthony Mary Claret, a 19th century Spanish missionary, was influential in promoting the devotion of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. He composed the following short prayer to Mary: *O heart of Mary, furnace and instrument of love, enkindle me with love of God and my neighbour. Amen.*

Saint of the Week – St Bernard of Clairvaux: On Thursday 20th August, we remember Saint Bernard – a great saint known as reformer, theologian, mystic, unifier and Doctor of the Church. He was born into a high-nobility family in Fontaines, France, and was the third of seven children. His devout parents instilled in him a deep faith, and right from the beginning he held a profound devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, continually seeking her intercession. When he entered the newly formed Cistercian Abbey of Notre Dame aged 22, his virtue, clarity of purpose and evident holiness inspired 30 other young noblemen to join him, including all but one of his brothers! (The youngest brother, along with his father, would join him later, and his sister would become a Benedictine nun). The Cistercian order, established in 1098, sought to return to the ideals of the Rule of Saint Benedict. Under Bernard's abbot, Abbot Stephen (also recognised as a Saint), the newly founded Cistercian order experienced rapid growth. One of the monasteries founded was Clairvaux, meaning 'Clear Valley'. Abbot Stephen appointed Bernard as its founding abbot – a role he held for 38 years, during which time he earned high respect for his holiness and leadership in monastic reform. Bernard was also a prolific writer, seeking to teach not only the mind but also to draw the heart to conversion and love. He regularly emphasised the personal nature of God, our call to mystical union with Him, and the central role that the Blessed Virgin Mary must play in our lives. Many miracles were attributed to him: he healed the sick, cast out demons, multiplied food, calmed storms, and raised the dead. By the time he died, his monastery in Clairvaux numbered about 700 monks, and he had founded at least 68 monasteries. St Bernard of Clairvaux, please pray that we too may come to know God through love, and for the development of our prayer lives and discipline so as to transform that physical love into a profound spiritual love. Please pray that we may also come to know and love our Blessed Mother too, just like you did, who's intercession and support is so vital for negotiating through the darkness we encounter and finding her Son, Jesus. In Jesus' mighty name we pray, Amen.

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