



**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: Mon & Tue, 9.30am–12.30pm & 1.30–4.30pm (**closed** Wed–Fri)

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29th Sunday per annum (A)

18th to 25th October 2026

Readings: *I* Isa 45:1, 4-6 *Ps* 96(95):1+3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10ac. *R* 7b *II* 1 Thess 1:1-5b *G* Mt 22:15-21

Next Sunday: *I* Ex 22:21-27 *Ps* 18(17):2-3a, 3b-4, 47+51ab. *R* 2 *II* 1 Thess 1:5c-10 *G* Mt 22:34-40

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

Cathedral

Sunday 18: 29th Sunday per annum

8.00am Molly Dempsey (R.I.P.)
10.30am Pope Leo XIV (recovery)
12.30pm Dermot Treanor (R.I.P.)
6.30pm For God's protection (anon.)

Monday 19: Monday in Week 29 per annum

8.00am Pope Leo XIV (recovery)
12.30pm In thanksgiving (N.C.)
5.30pm November Memorial List

Tuesday 20: Tuesday in Week 29 per annum

8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm Amian & Frebo families (protection)
5.30pm Pope Leo XIV (recovery)

Wednesday 21: Wednesday in Week 29 per annum

8.00am Pope Leo XIV (recovery)
12.30pm Mary & Les Mansell (R.I.P.)
5.30pm November Memorial List

Thursday 22: Thursday in Week 29 per annum

8.00am Pope Leo XIV (recovery)
12.30pm Deceased members of the Nagle family
5.30pm Napoleon Golingán (anniversary)

Friday 23: Friday in Week 29 per annum

8.00am Gene Mary Mockford (anniversary)
12.30pm Toby Joseph Wood (birthday)
5.30pm Pope Leo XIV (recovery)

Saturday 24: Saturday in Week 29 per annum

8.00am Pope Leo XIV (recovery)
12.30pm Liangzhi Yu (R.I.P.)

Next Weekend – Cathedral

Sunday 25: 30th Sunday per annum

8.00am Pope Leo XIV (recovery)
10.30am People of the Parishes
12.30pm Józef Szczepanski, Jadwiga Szustkiewicz, Roman Przybyszewski (R.I.P.) and deceased family members
6.30pm Myrtle & Mervyn Middleton (R.I.P.)

Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

Sunday 18: 29th Sunday per annum

9.15am James Quinn & the Quinn Family,
and Jim & Mavis Thompson (R.I.P.)

Sunday 25: 30th Sunday per annum

9.15am Elias Mangiza Zulu
and Theresa & Paul Smart (R.I.P.)

Holy Family

Sunday 18: 29th Sunday per annum

10.30am People of the Parishes

Sunday 25: 30th Sunday per annum

10.30am Parish Intentions

Svätá Omša v slovenčine

(Slovak Mass) – St Charles Borromeo

Sunday 18: 29. nedeľa v Cezročnom období

3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sunday 25: 30. nedeľa v Cezročnom období

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Sacrament of Confession	Monday & Wednesday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Monday & Wednesday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm
Rosary	Friday and Saturday: after the 12.30pm Mass
Divine Mercy Devotions	3.00pm, Monday–Friday
Legion of Mary	Sundays, after 12.30pm Mass (in Parish Room)
Bible Study Group	Wednesdays, 7.30pm (in Cathedral House)
Let Us Pray (Prayer Formation Group)	Saturdays, 2.00–4.00pm, Parish Room
Young Adults (18-35) Faith Group	2nd & 4th Saturdays, 11.00am (next: 24th Oct), Parish Room

We pray for 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, Charlene Bennett, Michael Jackson, 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: 19 Oct – Barnabas Ojinnaka; 22 Oct – Joseph & Maria Christi, Peven Geelan, Varkey Mandapathil; 25 Oct – Toumani Yvonne.

Hospital Chaplaincy: When a Catholic is admitted to hospital, it is essential that they are recorded as Catholic on their medical records **and** that the Catholic Chaplain, Fr Andrew, Sr Anne or Sr Helen are notified via the Chaplaincy (tel. 0114 271 5485; e-mail sth.chaplaincy@nhs.net).

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!

'Little Fishes', a free playgroup for the 0-3yrs, on Wednesdays, 10.30am–12.00pm: Join us in Houlden Hall for play, snacks and singing! Houlden Hall is 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.

The month of October is specially dedicated to Mary, to whom St Marie's is dedicated. Copies of *Mary, Reflections and Readings about the Mother of Our Lord Jesus Christ*, based on the decorations of St Marie's, are available at the back of church for £8.

This Sunday is World Mission Sunday, and there will be a second collection in support of Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission. Missio helps missionaries to work alongside communities throughout the world that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief, to further the Church's mission to share God's love with all people. You can also donate online (<https://missio.org.uk/wmsdonate/>).

Receiving St Marie's Newsletter by e-mail: The PPC is no longer able to e-mail out the weekly newsletter, but this service is still available via the Cathedral Office. If you would like to receive the weekly newsletter by email, please register your interest with Matthew, who will be happy to add you to his mailing list: office@stmariecathedral.org.

You are invited to join Fr Christian on Saturday 14th November for Holy Mass at 12.30pm, with refreshments and a presentation in Houlden Hall in thanksgiving for his ministry here.

The Cathedral Office will be closed on Wednesday 21st, Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd October (open as normal on Monday and Tuesday this week).

Cushions and kneeling pads are now available for those who have difficulty sitting or kneeling for any length of time. Please ask a steward.

Children's Liturgy on Sundays, at the 10.30am Mass – all children welcome! Children's Liturgy exists to nurture the hearts and minds of our youngest parishioners in the Truth and the Light that is Jesus. Each week, we share and discuss the Gospel, and celebrate with an appropriate faith and worship song. Please meet Candida and the team at the baptismal font at the start of Mass. If your child is under five years old, please come along to help and support them. We look forward to seeing you there!

The report of Bishop Marcus Stock on the proposed unification of the dioceses of Leeds, Middlesbrough and Hallam, which was sent to the Holy Father at the end of August, has now been published for the benefit of all the faithful, and can be read at <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/publication-of-the-bishops-consultation-report-to-the-holy-father/>.

A Night of Lights for all the family—Saturday 31st October, 4.30-8.00pm: We are holding our fourth Night of Lights at St Marie's – a Catholic alternative to Halloween! We will be lighting up our beautiful Cathedral with Christian-themed carved pumpkins and candles from 4.30pm, and there will be a treasure hunt (with prizes) for families arriving early. A special Children's Liturgy will begin at 5pm, and will be followed by a family social in Houlden Hall at 6pm. If you can, please bring a Christian-themed carved pumpkin, and / or a food or drink contribution for the social. This Night of Lights event is suitable for all the family, whatever your age, so please put it in your diary - and invite family and friends to also come along!

Next Talk and Social of St Marie's Christian Village—Saturday 7th November, 6.00pm in Houlden Hall: The theme will be *Christian Film*. After the talk, we will share supper together and enjoy time to socialise as a community. CVSM is open to all Christians—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 Raf at rafiduk@yahoo.co.uk.

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. For bookings and further info please contact hailfulofgrace2026@gmail.com.

The Let Us Pray prayer formation group's October program will be a reflection on Ignatian Discernment of Spirits, in the spirituality of St Ignatius of Loyola, a way of becoming more attentive to the movements within our hearts, recognising what draws us towards God and what leads us away from him. Through prayerful attention to our thoughts, feelings, desires and responses, we can grow in freedom and learn to recognise how God is guiding us. Fr Peter Scally S.J., a Jesuit priest and creator of *Pray-as-you-go*, *Thinking Faith* and *Sacred Space*, will be leading us in prayer. Come and discover the wisdom of Ignatian discernment and how it can help us to recognise God's presence and guidance in our everyday lives.

Bell Ringing at St Marie's: St Marie's needs more bell ringers. There are more than 7,000 churches around the world equipped for what's known as 'full circle bell ringing.' Only 50 of these are Catholic churches and St Marie's is one of them. St Marie's resurrected its band a few years ago after a gap of more than 70 years. The band rings regularly on Sundays from the end of the 10.30am Sunday Mass to the start of the 12.30pm Sunday Mass, and holds practice and introductory sessions from 7.00-9.00pm on Mondays. Our bell tower is also home to Sheffield Universities Guild of Change Ringers, who Ring before the 6.30pm Sunday Mass and practice on Fridays. If we are to keep St Marie's bells ringing, we desperately need new volunteers. If you would like to find out more about the bells and what is involved in ringing them, please contact Bob Rae (tel. 07710 116701; e-mail ringing@bobrae.force9.co.uk).

Devotion of the Month – The Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary: In her appearances to people, the Virgin Mary, our Blessed Mother, has frequently delivered messages urging people to pray – and keep praying – the Holy Rosary. (For instance, Fatima in Portugal, 1917; Betania in Venezuela in 1976; Cuapa in Nicaragua, 1980; Medjugorje, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 1980 to the present day – to name but a few). Sometimes she has pleaded with us to pray the Rosary with tears in her eyes! There are twenty Mysteries to reflect on when praying the Holy Rosary; together, they make up the life of Jesus. The Mysteries are re-arranged into four groups of five: the Joyful Mysteries, the Luminous Mysteries, the Sorrowful Mysteries and the Glorious Mysteries. How to Pray the Rosary' sheets are available at the back of church.

Saint of the Week – St John Paul II, Pope: On Thursday 22nd October, we remember Pope John Paul II, born Karol Józef Wojtyła in 1920, in Wadowice, Poland, and the youngest of 3 children. Although he was born into a loving family, his early life was marked by suffering and loss; by the time he was 12 years old, only he and his father had survived. Under the loving guidance of his father, a deeply religious man, he grew into a vibrant youth: athletic, studious, and a gifted theatrical performer. In 1938, he met his spiritual advisor who introduced him to the Carmelite mysticism of St John the Cross, and after Nazi Germany invaded Poland a year later, Karol began to experience the maturing formation of his priestly identity. He went to an underground seminary, and was ordained a priest on the Feast of All Saints in 1946. After he became auxiliary bishop of Kraków in 1958, he began to encourage a spiritual and cultural resistance to the Communist occupation of Poland, giving his countrymen much hope in the face of grave oppression. His contribution to Vatican II, led to his elevation to the College of Cardinals in 1967, in recognition of his insights and gifts, and on 16th October 1978, he was elected Pope, taking on the name John Paul II. He was the 263rd successor to Peter, the first non-Italian pope for 455 years, and he went on to have one of the longest pontificates in the history of the Church. During almost 27 years as Pope, he promoted ecumenical and interfaith initiatives, began World Youth Day, established Divine Mercy Sunday for the entire Church, recognised the universal call to holiness by canonising 482 saints and beatifying 1,338 others, survived an assassination attempt on his life, suffered with Parkinson's, and was a prolific writer. He is well-known for the love he poured out on all humankind. He died in 2005 on the Vigil of Divine Mercy Sunday, aged 84 years. He was beatified in 2011, and canonised in 2014 – the fastest canonisation in the history of the Church. So, as we reflect on our own universal call to holiness, St John Paul II – please pray for us!

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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