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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30th Sunday per annum (A)

25th October to 1st November 2026

Readings: ***I*** *Ex 22:21-27* ***Ps*** *18(17):2-3a, 3b-4, 47+51ab. ℟ 2* ***II*** *1 Thess 1:5c-10* ***G*** *Mt 22:34-40*
Next Sunday: ***I*** *Rev 7:2-4, 9-14* ***Ps*** *24(23):1-2, 3-4b, 5-6. ℟ cf. 6* ***II*** *1 Jn 3:1-3* ***G*** *Mt 5:1-12a*
Readings can also be found at http://universalis.com/Europe.England.Hallam/mass.htm or on the Universalis app

Cathedral

Sunday 25 October: 30th Sunday *per annum*
8.00am Domenico Manfredi (R.I.P.)
10.30am People of the Parishes
12.30pm Józef Szczepanski, Jadwiga Szustkiewicz & Roman Przybyszewski (R.I.P.) and dec. family members
6.30pm Myrtle & Mervyn Middleton (R.I.P.)

Monday 26: Monday in Week 30 *per annum*
8.00am Pope Leo XIV (recovery)
12.30pm Dominic Burrell (birthday anniversary)
5.30pm Linda (birthday)

Tuesday 27: Tuesday in Week 30 *per annum*
8.00am Madeleine & family (intentions)
12.30pm Dominic (R.I.P.)
5.30pm November Memorial List

Wednesday 28: SS SIMON & JUDE
8.00am Lucy Hazell (intentions)
12.30pm Liangzhi Yu (R.I.P.)
5.30pm Christianne Asba & family (intentions)

Thursday 29: Thursday in Week 30 *per annum*
8.00am Wlodzimierz Staszek (R.I.P.)
12.30pm Rev Fr Henry Woodhouse (intentions)
5.30pm Radline & family (intentions)

Friday 30: Friday in Week 30 *per annum*
8.00am November Memorial List
12.30pm Amian & Frebo families (protection)
5.30pm Shirley & family (intentions)

Saturday 31: Saturday in Week 30 *per annum*
8.00am Justina (intentions)
12.30pm November Memorial List

Next Weekend – Cathedral

Sunday 1 November: ALL SAINTS
8.00am Parish Sick List
10.30am People of the Parishes
12.30pm Samrawit Zerait, Tbrh Deria, Zerait Kelela and Tsegay & Teklebrhan Gilan (R.I.P.)
6.30pm Linda Agricole (intentions)

Our Lady Queen of Heaven & St Oswald

Sunday 25 October: 30th Sunday *per annum*
9.15am Elias Mangiza Zulu and Theresa & Paul Smart (R.I.P.)

Sunday 1 November: ALL SAINTS
9.15am Ezinne Regina Onwukwe & Mack Nwamkpu (R.I.P.)

Holy Family

Sunday 25 October: 30th Sunday *per annum*
10.30am Parish Intentions

Sunday 1 November: ALL SAINTS
10.30am November Memorial List

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

Sunday 25 October: 30. nedeľa v Cezročnom období
3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sunday 1 November: VŠETKÝCH SVÄTÝCH
3.00pm Parish Intentions

Sacrament of Confession ..... *Monday–Saturday: 11.30am–12.15pm*

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament ..... *Monday–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: 14th Nov), 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: 25 Oct – Yvonne Toumani; 29 Oct – Wlodzimierz Staszek; 30 Oct – Helena Murray.

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!

No Children's Liturgy this weekend: Children's Liturgy will be having a little break for half-term, and will return on Sunday 8th November. But do join us for our Children's Liturgy Special – our Night of Lights – on Saturday 31st October, from 4.30pm! Wishing all our children and families an enjoyable rest from the usual school routines.

No Little Fishes this week: The Little Fishes team are having a little break for half-term, but we look forward to seeing everyone again on Wednesday 4th November!

St Marie's Bible Group: The next meeting of the St Marie's Bible group will be this Wednesday, for a 7.30pm start in Cathedral House, when the group will continue looking at Romans. All welcome!

Volunteers needed to help clean the brass in our Church: Could that be you? The PPC is setting up a new team of volunteers to help to keep the Cathedral's brass looking their best for our Eucharistic celebrations. This group will meet on a regular basis, ideally on a Friday (but a Saturday could also be possible) to clean items such as our brass candle sticks. If you would like to volunteer in this capacity, please send an email to Eileen on PPC@stmariecathedral.org.

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.

The Big Thank You 2026 – Saturday 21st November, 12.30pm: On Saturday 21st November, we will be having a special thanksgiving Mass for all the volunteers we have at the Cathedral. This will be followed by a lunch social for our volunteers, up in Houlden Hall. If you volunteer at St Marie's – in any capacity – please put this date in your diary!

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

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!

Are you a job seeker? Next drop-in session for help and advice—Wednesday 4th November (1.00-2.30pm): On Wednesday 4th November, our Job Seekers group will be meeting straight after the lunchtime Mass in Houlden Hall; please meet Candida by the Baptismal font after Mass, or ring the top bell for Houlden Hall (right next to the main entrance of the Cathedral) if you are running late. This session will offer you the chance to connect and share your job seeking challenges, and to get some practical help and advice. To register your interest and to receive a Welcome Pack, please email Candida at candida.calvert@stmariecathedral.org.

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.

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 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.

Join the team bringing the Sheffield Passion Play to the Peace Gardens: Hallam Diocese, together with other local churches, hopes to invite Rise Theatre (www.risetheatre.co.uk; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m1LPCh0gW_w) to bring a public dramatisation of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus to the Peace Gardens during Lent 2027. This special act of public evangelisation is an opportunity to come together and share the Easter story with the wider community—and we need your help to make it happen. You are welcome, whether you have experience in event organisation, stewarding or first aid, or can simply lend a willing pair of hands. Join the planning team by contacting the Formation and Mission Team at formation-mission@hallam-diocese.com no later than 14th November 2026, and help bring the Sheffield Passion Play to life.

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.

Preparing for the Feast of All Saints – Sunday 1st November: All Saints' Day, also known as All Hallows' Day, is in honour of all those who have gone before us and who have reached heaven, whether they are known or unknown. It stems from our Catholic belief that there is a powerful spiritual bond between the saints in heaven (the 'Church triumphant'), us, the living (the 'Church militant'), and the faithful departed who are currently going through the final process of purification in purgatory (the 'Church penitent'). We are all called to holiness – to become saints ourselves, and to receive the fullness of life through Christ. We are all called to answer God's personal call to us, to collaborate with Him through with the promptings of Holy Spirit, and with the help of His grace, to become saints ourselves. As we struggle with the challenges our lives will inevitably bring, let us use this season to call upon the help of our brothers and sisters in Christ who have already succeeded; let us give them honour, and invite them to come and pray with us as we run our own spiritual race to the end!

Saints of the Week – St Simon and St Jude, Apostles: On Wednesday 28th October, we celebrate the feast of two saints together – St Simon and St Jude, both among the twelve men that Jesus chose to lead his Church. Little is really known of them, except that Simon was a zealot (a Jewish militant nationalist of first century Israel), and that Jude may have been one too. St Jude is particularly associated with lost causes and desperate people – quite possibly because of the similarity of his name to Judas Iscariot. (So, when all seems hopelessly lost, a prayer to St Jude for his intercession may well help!). Tradition suggests that after Pentecost, Simon went off to preach the Gospel in Edessa and Jude went to Egypt. The two men were reunited in Persia, where they were both martyred on the same day. At a time when our world desperately needs to hear the good news of the Gospel, *St Simon and St Jude: please pray for us!*

Devotion of the Month – The Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Pope after Pope has encouraged people to pray the Rosary. Pope John Paul II said that the Holy Rosary was "among the finest and most praiseworthy traditions of Christian contemplation". Praying the Rosary is a great way to tune in and hear what God may wish to share with you. To make the most of this beautiful opportunity, give yourself enough time to properly connect with each mystery before you begin the prayers. Invite the Holy Spirit to speak to your heart as you pray, then hold the mystery in the forefront of your mind - mediating on it; pray the decade prayers more in the background of your mind. 'How to Pray the Rosary' sheets are available at the back of church.

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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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