

SACRED HEART CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH

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Sunday 11th February 2018 – The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time The Annual Appeal for Hallam Caring Services is made today.

**Vivienne Ashford and Joshua Taheem will be baptised at 1pm today.
Congratulations to their families.**

Lent starts with Ash Wednesday this week, a day of fasting and abstinence. Mass at 9.15am and 7.30pm.
“My Day by Day in Lent 2018” booklets are on sale, price 70p, at the back of church, containing each day's scripture readings. Please put your money in one of the envelopes provided and into the collection. **Stations of the Cross** are prayed at 6pm on the Sundays of Lent in church, starting next Sunday. **Lent Lunches on the Fridays of Lent**, in Presbytery after 11.30am Mass, starting this Friday 16th February, donations to CAFOD on Friday 23rd February, and to Rustenburg in South Africa (projects run by Sr Maire's religious order) on the other Fridays. **Table top sale and raffle** on Sundays in the hall for Rustenburg. **Pray the Gospels** (Lectio Divina) at Sacred Heart School (Shalom Room) on Fridays at 2.15-3.15pm (starting this Friday, the 16th) Parents welcome. **Ring of Coins around the church, to raise funds for the Parish Covenant with the Poor:** please bring along your loose change - there will be collectors after each weekend Mass during Lent when there isn't a retiring collection for something else. **Thank you.**

Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 10th February, Vigil 6th Sunday Ord. Time	6.30pm	In Thanksgiving (Martin Hibbert)
Sunday 11th February, 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30am	For the People of the Parish
Monday <i>in the School Shalom Room</i>	9.00am	Donlon Family's intentions
Tuesday <i>in the presbytery</i>	9.00am	Rita Pressley
Ash Wednesday <i>in the church</i> (with the school)	9.15am	90 th birthday lady's intentions
<i>in the church</i>	7.30pm	Agnes Burley
Thursday <i>in the presbytery</i>	9.00am	John Reilly
Friday <i>in the church</i>	9.30am	Funeral Service Christopher Walker
<i>in the presbytery</i>	11.30am	Rosamund Parker
Saturday <i>in the church</i>	9.00am	Bridie and Tom Kinsella, Brian Moore
Saturday 17th February, Vigil First Sunday Lent	6.30pm	In Thanksgiving (Nicholoy Cooray)
Sunday 18th February, First Sunday of Lent	10.30am	Bernard Kelly

Mass at Kirk Edge Monastery each day at 8am. Wednesday: 7pm. Rosary and Novena in the presbytery
Saturday: 8.45am Morning Prayer, 9am Mass, 10am to 11am Confessions and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

CHRISTOPHER WALKER's funeral service will be on Friday 16th February at 9.30am, followed by burial at Wisewood.
PATRICIA HARTLEY died on 27th January. Her body will be received into church on Sunday 25th February at 5pm, and her Funeral Mass will be held on Monday 26th February at 10am followed by burial at Wisewood. May they rest in peace.

Please also pray for Mgr John Murphy and those who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Betty Byrne, Peter Brennan, Margaret Butcher, Malcolm Irvine, Tom Kinsella, Ben Patten, Kathryn Hanley, Cecilia Mottram, Ita Guite, Eileen Shepard, Margaret Florence Radford, Andrew Ronan, Thomas McAnearney, Doreen Tingle, Eric Squire, Margaret Noon and John Henry Finney. May they rest in peace.

Please pray for all those who are unwell at home or in hospital.

Many thanks for last week's collection of £ 601.85, plus your regular standing orders of £ 429.00 per week.
Also thanks for all donations to Sacred Heart Food Bank, which totalled £760.27 in January, and all other donations.

Please note: the deadline for the old paper £10 notes is in March. You can change them at your bank.

Mass information for 17th & 18th February, The First Sunday of Lent

Guidance notes for readings at Mass are in the church porch for readers to take and use.

Announcers:	Pauline McConnon (Saturday) Darren McDonnell (Sunday)
Readers:	Ann Fleet, John McConnon, Clarissa Mswaka (Saturday) Monica Grant, Janet Reader, Gerard Strain (Sunday)
Eucharistic Ministers:	Anita Gibson, <u>Philip Hibberd</u> , Francesca Esposito* (Saturday) <u>Marie Gelder</u> , John Mizzi,* Mary Nadin, Mike Nadin, Juliet White (Sunday)
Children's Liturgy:	No Children's Liturgy – Half Term Break

Church Cleaning: **Group 4 – Saturday 24th February, 11am** : Group 1: Anita Larkin, Joe McDonnell, Annette Murray, Lesley Murray, Charles Obiri, Jecinta Uwaoma, Chidimma Uwaoma

ALL GROUP CONTACTS CAN BE MADE THROUGH THE PRESBYTERY NUMBER 2343580

St Vincent de Paul: Mondays at 7.30pm in the presbytery. Contact Chris Ashton

Toddler & Baby Group: Tuesdays at 10am in the presbytery. Contact Debbie James

Choir Rehearsals: Next rehearsal **Tuesday 6th March 7.30pm**: Contact Barbara Hartley

Art Class: Wednesdays 10am in the presbytery: Contact Barbara Beatson

Contact Club: Wednesdays at 1.30pm in the Presbytery, Bingo and chat. All welcome.

Sewing Group: 2nd Sunday, 1pm to 3.30pm. **Next one 18th February**. Please contact Sylvia Grayson

Youth Friendship: Years 6,7 & 8. Fridays 6.30 – 8pm in the presbytery on the following dates: **9th March, 23rd March, 20th April, 4th May, 18th May, 15th June, 29th June**. Contact Fran Shiel

Volunteers are needed to help with teas & coffees on the 4th Sunday of each month after Mass in the hall.
Please contact Rita Kaye

Parking in the school playground. Work to improve the playground area for the benefit of the children is due to commence on Monday 19th February during the half term holidays. It is expected to take a week (depending on the weather) and therefore access by the Forbes Road classrooms will not be available. There may also be deliveries of equipment and skips arriving from Monday 5th February onwards which will have to be sited on the main yard. Parking in the playground will be very limited from now on, and it will be necessary for the able-bodied to use other options, eg Morrisons, Walkley Lane, Dodd Street. With apologies for any inconvenience, and many thanks for your cooperation.

Church Action on Poverty Sunday Service: 11th February at 6.30pm at Central United Reformed Church, Norfolk St

40 Days for Life: Is an international campaign which has saved the lives of 13,998 unborn children by means of prayer & fasting, community outreach and peaceful vigil. Hallam's 8th campaign will take place **14th Feb to 25th March** with a prayerful vigil will be held outside the Doncaster BPAS Abortion clinic (123 Thorne Road, Doncaster DN2 5BQ). To take part please visit: [facebook.com/40daysforlifehallam](https://www.facebook.com/40daysforlifehallam) e-mail: hallam40daysforlife@gmail.com

Walking Group: Treeton Dyke, Sunday 18th Feb. Meet at Aston Fence school on Sheffield Rd at 1.30. Contact Judy via Presbytery number 2343580

Sacred Heart Parish Council: The next meeting will be on **Thursday, 15th February** at 7.30pm in the Presbytery. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Nightfever planning meeting: On Tuesday 20th February at 7pm there will be a meeting in Houlden Hall (next door to St Marie's Cathedral) to plan for this year's Nightfever events. If you are interested in becoming involved in this diocesan outreach initiative, please attend the meeting, or email nightfeversheffield@gmail.com to find out more. This year Nightfever will take place on 3rd March, 9th June, 6th October and 15th December. **Bishop Ralph and Hallam Trustees are seeking to recruit a replacement Safeguarding Coordinator.** A job advert with contact details for interested candidates is on the notice board. The closing date is 22nd February.

The second training session for new Eucharistic Ministers will take place in church on Sunday 25th February, 3pm.

24 Hours for the Lord: will be held at The Immaculate Conception, Herringthorpe Valley Rd, Rotherham S65 3BA, on **Friday 9th March** beginning with Mass at 9.30am. The Blessed Sacrament will then be exposed for 24 hours ending with Mass on Saturday 10th March at 9.30am. During this 24 hours of Eucharistic Adoration there will be opportunities to participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and special times of prayer and reflection. Everyone is invited to come.

Fr Shaun's 50th ordination anniversary Mass with Sacred Heart School and the Bishop, **Friday 9th March** at 9.15am, and with Sacred Heart Parish on **Sunday 11th March** 10.30am Mass and refreshments in the hall afterwards.

Beer and Brass Charity Night in aid of CAFOD's Connect 2 El Salvador project at Sacred Heart Hall - **Friday 16th March at 7pm.** Concert, beer, fish and chip supper included in the price. Admission by ticket only. **Tickets on sale today, £20.**

Are you up for a challenge in 2018? Why not get a team together and join St Wilfrid's Centre Sleep Out 2018 on **Friday 16th March** and help raise vital funds for St Wilfrid's Centre. See the notice at the back of church for more information.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Saturday 30th June at 6.30pm for young people in year 9 and upwards, and for adults, including those preparing for marriage who have not yet been confirmed.

Year 9 candidates for confirmation: Please collect your named envelope from the back of church.

Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Fiona O'Farrell and Andrew Hartley. For non-urgent matters, please contact Fiona on 07955 234602, or in church after Mass on Sunday. For urgent matters go to the Hallam Safeguarding Team on 2566453.

Hospital Chaplaincy: for the Hallamshire and Northern General, ring 2714999 if you would like to see the chaplain.

School Job Vacancies are on the screen notice board at the back of church and also on the Diocesan website.

Bereavement Support: If you would like support at either Sacred Heart or St Marie's, please call the presbytery on 2343580 and your request will be passed to Sr Maire or Janina Klapas.

Please join us for refreshments in the hall after Mass. Donations to Sacred Heart Food Bank.

New to the Parish?

Please give us your contact details by phone or email, or use this as a tear off slip and put it in the collection basket:

Your name and phone number

Your address and email.....

Further Announcements

'Help in Hillsborough' The Companion Café that takes place on Tuesday mornings in the extension of Hillsborough Tabernacle Congregational Church has changed its name to 'Help in Hillsborough'. We continue to help people with on-line and paper forms and signpost them to other local organisations. With the departure of the Citizen's Advice Centre we have become busier but thankfully we've been blest with new volunteers. Our users comment that our open, friendly manner is very different from other agencies. Sometimes people just need reassurance that they've understood a letter correctly. So far we've helped with Job Seekers Allowance, Housing Benefit, Attendance Allowance, Blue Badge, Bus Pass, Passport Forms and signposted people to legal aid, debt advice and the Foodbank.

The vicar of St John's adds: "we still run a Citizens Advice session on Monday to Wednesday from our church office at the rear of St John's Vicarage (Walkley Lane entrance). Open 10am - 12pm. Appointments not required - just come early".

Parish Emergency Food Pantry: The people who rely on the food pantry are very grateful for your support. The number of requests for help made at the door is currently running at about 50 per week. If you wish to contribute to the food pantry, there are three ways to do this: 1. Purchase cans and put them in the box at the back of church. 2. Make regular donations by standing order with a reference of "food pantry".. 3. Donate by cash / cheque in an envelope marked "food pantry" and put it in the box at the back of church. **Please note:** all cheques should be made payable to **"Diocese of Hallam – Sacred Heart"**. There are some marked envelopes at the back of church for this purpose. Many thanks for all your help, including new standing orders received. It really is much appreciated by local people in need.

Can you help? CAFOD in Hallam is desperate for new people to join our schools' team. It's a fun and rewarding role that allows you to share your faith and concern for social justice with children and young people. Full training and support is given so all you need is a confidence and ability to communicate with groups of children, plus some free time during the school day. If you're interested, please contact Jeremy Cain on hallam@cafod.ac.uk .

Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress "Adoremus" Liverpool 7th to 9th September 2018

The bishops of England and Wales will hold a National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress in Liverpool this year. Eucharistic Congresses are gatherings of clergy, religious and laity which promote an awareness of the central place of the Eucharist in the life and mission of the Church. Participants will engage in a series of sessions focusing on different dimensions of the Eucharist and the daily celebration and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

The Echo Arena in Liverpool - which can accommodate 10,000 pilgrims - will be the home to a six-hour stage programme on the second day of the Congress, which will include a Congress Mass, keynote speakers and a drama highlighting the beauty of reverence and devotion. The day will conclude with Adoration.

If you would like to be one of six parish delegates for **Saturday 8th September**, then please give your name to our parish secretary Richard Cooper by email on sacredheart479@btinternet.com or telephone 0114 2343580. The diocese will be organising coaches to get to and from Liverpool.

Gift Aid: The tax the parish can reclaim from HMRC is an important source of income and we would like to encourage any taxpayers who do not currently make their offering under Gift Aid to consider doing so. It is the best way of increasing your offering without it costing you more, since currently, the government will increase each £1 of your personal offering by a further 25p. For the parish to reclaim the tax on your offering, you, the taxpayer, need to make a Gift Aid declaration and we, the parish, need to have a record of the date and amount of your offerings. Offerings can be by standing order, cheque or cash in a numbered offertory envelope. Your Gift Aid Declaration will cover all donations recorded by the parish, including for the Food Pantry. You will find Gift Aid declaration forms at the back of church near the hymn books. When you have completed the form, please hand it either to our the presbytery or drop it through the letterbox. Please be assured that the administration of Gift Aid is completely confidential. If you have any questions about about Gift Aid, please call Janina Klapas via the Presbytery number 2343580. If you are considering making a gift to the Church in your will, information can

be obtained by contacting the presbytery. Thank you for your continuing support. It is very much appreciated. Offertory envelopes are at the back of church. If you want to start using envelopes please let us know.
