

SACRED HEART CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH

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Sunday 21st April 2019 – Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord

Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 20 th April <i>in the church Vigil Mass, Easter Sunday</i>	6.30pm	David Coogan
Sunday, 21 st April <i>in the church Mass, Easter Sunday</i>	11.00am	Michael Stanley
Easter Monday <i>in the church</i>	10.00am	Eileen Marsden
Easter Tuesday <i>in the church</i>	9.00am	Prayer of the Church (No Mass)
Easter Wednesday <i>in the church</i>	7.30 pm	Intentions of Martine Namranga
Easter Thursday <i>in the church Whole School Easter Mass</i>	9.15am	
Easter Friday <i>in the church</i>	11.00am	Sylvia Hibberd
Easter Saturday <i>in the church</i>	9.00am	Tom & Bridie Kinsella and Brian Moore
Saturday 27 th April <i>in the church Vigil, 2nd Sunday of Easter</i>	6.30pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday 28 th April <i>in the church 2nd Sunday of Easter</i>	11.00am	Sylvia Marsden

Mass at Kirk Edge Monastery each day at 8am.

Saturdays: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, confessions 10am to 11am.

Please pray for those who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Maureen Swift, John Fenn, Vincent Donlon, Eileen Kenny, Douglas Beech, Anne Watter, Marjorie Hodgson, May Roche Wright, Olive Rosie, Don Higginbottom, Beatrice Falding, Caroline McDonagh, Margaret Maycock, Bertie Gell, Frank Walker, Fr Callanan, Eileen Marsden, Lilian Emerson, Douglas Kent, Kenneth Roberts, John Strain, Josephine Hunt and Edna Bingham. May they rest in peace.

Please also pray for all those unwell at home or in hospital - and for all those who care for the sick.

Thank you for last week's collection of £ 576.32, plus your regular standing orders of £ 417.00 per week.

The collection for Hallam Support for LIFE raised £108.12. *Thank you.*

Mass information for 27th & 28th April, Second Sunday of Easter

Announcers: John McConnon (Saturday) Ailsa Rodgers (Sunday). **Readers:** Christine Trebicka, David Barrett, Pauline McConnon (Saturday). Brian Marsden, Monica Grant, Stephen Marlow (Sunday). **Eucharistic Ministers:** Peter Roche, Steve McGarry*, Walter Mswaka (Saturday). David Wilkinson, Annie Reed*, Chris Ashton, Vicky Moss, Monique Fournier (Sunday)

Children's Liturgy: Following the Easter break, Children's Liturgy resumes for 2 weeks in the Hall. The leaders are Debbie on 28th April & Kirsty on 5th May. There is a break for First Holy Communion Sundays and Half Term, then Children's Liturgy resumes on 9th June.

Holy Communion Visits at home. If you know of anyone who needs to receive Holy Communion at home, please ring the Parish on 2343580. **Patient in hospital:** Ring the voicemail on 2714999.

Church Cleaning: Please see the rota on the notice board in the church porch.

St Vincent de Paul: Mondays at 7.30pm. Chris Ashton.

Choir Rehearsals: Next rehearsals: **Tuesday 7th May, 7.30pm:** Barbara Hartley

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

Youth Friendship: Fridays in the Presbytery, 6.30 to 8.00pm. Years 6,7 & 8. Here are the dates for 2019:
26th April, 10th May, 24th May, 7th June, 21st June, 5th July, 12th July (Gelato Trip). Fran Shiel.

Rustenburg Project, South Africa: During Lent: The monies collected this week amounted to £86.73. This Sunday an ENORMOUS EASTER EGG WILL BE RAFFLED. Be in it to win it!!! There will be a variety of chocolate delights for sale. Your support is greatly appreciated. *Thank you, Sr Maire*

Ring of Coins: The total to date is **£354.32**, including Week 6's sum, **£48.65**. Many thanks for all your contributions.

APF Mission boxes: APF mission boxes are due for emptying. Please bring them to church or contact Janet Reader on 2347444. Many thanks to all those who helped raise a total of **£732** over the last year.

Counters Vacancy: This is done on a rota basis by 6 teams of 2 people. We need someone new, to be partnered with David Martin, to start in May. If you are interested in finding out more details about this volunteering opportunity, please contact Richard on 2343580 or sacredheart479@gmail.com.

Volunteers Needed – Carmel Care Lunch Club: 172 Dykes Hall Road S9 4GS: Carmel Care is seeking to recruit two volunteers to set up and run a Lunch Club for adults at Carmel Care. If you are aged 18 or over, able to relate to people with respect and understanding, and willing to give a few hours each week we would like to hear from you. For more information please contact Anne Jenkinson (Co-ordinator) 07305 476 987 carmelcarecoordinator@hallam-diocese.com

THE EVIDENCE OF GRACE

(Fr. Michael's Homily)

Christ's Resurrection is also Our Resurrection

In the Resurrection of Christ, a new possibility of human existence is attained- a sort of 'evolutionary leap'-that stretches into the past and look forward to a future, a new kind of future for all mankind. A future with hope and certainties guaranteed by God's promise.

The resurrection completes the inauguration of God's kingdom. It is the decisive event demonstrating that God's kingdom really has been launched on earth as it is in heaven. The message of Easter is that God's new world has been unveiled in Jesus Christ and that you're now invited to belong to it. As Archbishop Fulton Sheen puts: "The Cross had asked the questions; the Resurrection had answered them...The Cross had asked: "Why does God permit evil and sin to nail Justice to a tree?" The Resurrection answered: "That sin, having done its worst, might exhaust itself and this be overcome by Love that is stronger than either sin or death."

Christ's resurrection is also our resurrection. Every man who looks is invited to be identified with Adam, and every woman with Eve, and to stretch out their hands to allow themselves to be gripped and pulled by Christ out of the sepulcher. This is the new universal Easter exodus. God has come "with powerful arm and outstretched hand" to liberate his people from a much harsher and universal slavery than that of Egypt.

This day brings a message of joy: it is the day of the Lord's resurrection when, with himself, Christ raised up the race of Adam. Born for the sake of human beings, he rose from the dead with them. On this day, the Alleluia that pleads more insistently than the cry of Abel is heard and justice is restored. On this day paradise is opened by the risen one, Adam is restored to life and Eve is consoled. On this day the divine call is heard, the kingdom is prepared, we are saved, and Christ is adored. On this day, when he had trampled death under foot, made the tyrant a prisoner and despoiled the underworld, Christ ascended into heaven as a king in victory, as a ruler in glory, as an invincible charioteer. He said to the Father, 'Here am I, O God, with the children you have given me.' And he heard the Father's reply, 'Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies your footstool' (Psalm 110:1)." To him be glory, now and forever, through endless ages. Amen.

Christ is risen!

He has risen indeed!

Please join us for refreshments in the hall after Mass

FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Notre Dame High School Past Pupils' Morning Saturday 27th April, 10am till 12 noon. If you wish to attend, please contact the school: alumni@notredame-high.co.uk

Deanery Justice and Peace events: Saturday 11th May, 12 noon, St Marie's Cathedral - Mass for Creation, said by Bishop Ralph.

Regular Giving to support Sacred Heart Church: Offertory Envelopes for 2019-2020 to be used from 7th April are now available at the back of church. If you have not used envelopes for your Offertory donation in the past and would like to start now, please put your name and address on the list near the envelopes and they will be ready for you to collect next weekend. Parishioners who prefer to give regularly by standing order since this is an efficient and convenient method. There's no need for cash or to write cheques. If you would like to donate by standing order please set this up with your bank. The parish bank account details are Sort Code: 40-41-47 Account no: 21094319. Whether you give by envelope or by standing order, if you are a taxpayer the best way to increase the value of your donations, without it costing you anymore, is to complete a Gift Aid declaration. Gift Aid allows the church to claim back from the government on your behalf 25p for every £1 you donate, boosting the value of the donation by a quarter. Gift Aid declaration forms are also available near the envelopes. Please place completed forms in the Sacristy. As a church community, we are encouraged to increase the amount we give to support our church as income is failing to keep up with growing expenses. Please consider if it is possible to give a bit more. Thank you for everything you already give and do in any way.

Please consider making your offertory donations to the Parish via Standing Order. *Our account details:* Diocese of Hallam Sacred Heart - Sort code 404107 - Account no. 21094319

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

Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Fiona O'Farrell. 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.

Green Gas: As members of the Inter-Diocesan Fuel Management (IFM) scheme, we have earned a certificate showing that 57% of the gas used by our parish in the last contract year was green gas. Green gas refers to gas that has come from renewable sources like bio-term rather than from traditional natural gas or fracking. We are on course this year for 100% of our gas to be green. This puts you at the forefront of denominations, charities, businesses in taking this step. Our electricity supply is already 100% from renewable sources. The certificate is on the notice board at the back of church.
