

Parish Priest: Fr. Michael Achille Umaneh
Parish Deacon: Rev. Tony Srinke
479 Langsett Road, Sheffield, S6 2LN. Telephone: (0114) 2343580
Parish website: www.sacredheartssheffield.co.uk
Parish email: info@sacredheartssheffield.co.uk



PARISH BULLETIN OF SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH

Mass Times & Intentions

Mass Information w/c 2nd April 2023

Palm Sunday

Saturday 1st April - 6:30pm - Palm Sunday Vigil Mass (Evening prayer at 6:10pm)
Sunday 2nd April - 11am - Palm Sunday - Passion Sunday
Monday - Mass at 10:00am and Reconciliation Service- 6pm with individual Confession.
Tuesday - 10:00am in church
Wednesday - without congregation
Thursday - Maundy Thursday- Mass of the Last Supper at 7:30 pm
Friday - Good Friday - Service of the Passion at 3:00 pm
Saturday - Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil at 7:30pm

Children's Liturgy

Children's liturgy this Sunday. The team then take a break over Easter. For more information and to sign-up to the family mailing list, visit: [children's liturgy webpage](#)

Confessions:

Confessions are available, please make appointment with Fr. Michael by phone or email.

Baptism:

Parents and guardians are now invited to book the baptism of the child/children. The available time slots are: **Saturdays 12 noon & Sundays 1 pm**

Prayer Intentions w/c 2nd April

For the Sick:

We pray for all those who are sick, that God may grant them health and strength. We remember *Barbara Beaton, Pip Carrington, Maria Coggan, Fr Michael O'Connor, Wesley, Kay Langan, Sonia Holland, Robert Ainsworth, Ann Saunders, Leah, Emma, Paige, Kevin Noone, Isaac Achenu, Loretta Carr & Catherine Bartlett.*
May God bring them healing mercies.

For the Dead:

Please pray all who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: *John Makoney, William Donlon, Sister Bernard, His Holiness Pope John Paul the Second, Eric Aldgate, James Doherty, Dawn Hoey, Hugh Bow, Ruth Brailthwaite, Martha Lane, Madeleine Roche, Edmund Turner, Bernadette Smith, Vera Croft, Wilfrid Guest, Irene Savage, Hilda Justice, Bill Roche, Joseph Leach, Annie Middleton, Stella Grayson and all the names recorded in our Book of Remembrance.*
May they rest in peace.

The Book of Remembrance : will on display this weekend for us all to add and include the names of any deceased family or friends.

Offertory Collection:

Sunday 26th March 2023 - Baskets TBC
Tap to Donate: £120 Offertory, £10 Heating Fund, £5 Flowers

Easter Offering

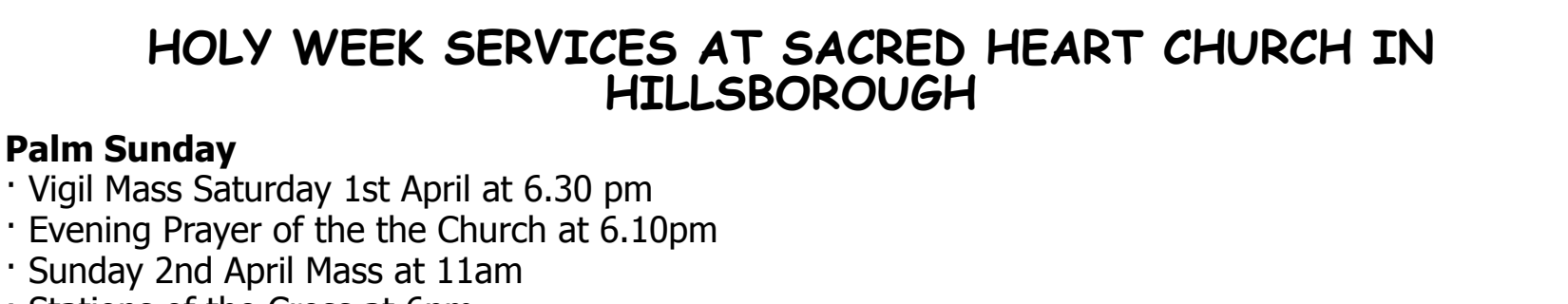
As is customary in England and Wales, each year Easter offerings constitute a personal offering in support of the priest. The Bishop has kindly extended this generous gesture to us all this challenging year. Below is his message to us:

"All of the collections at the Easter Celebrations will constitute the personal offerings of the faithful for their priests at Easter this year. God bless - from Bishop Ralph"

We know that times remain difficult but we would ask you to please be as generous as you are able this year in contributing towards the Easter Weekend Offertory Collections. Fr Michael continues to work hard for us and to ensure that Sacred Heart Parish is a vibrant and thriving community! Many thanks in anticipation of your continued generosity.

You can also contribute to Fr Michael's Easter Offering using Tap to Donate: [click here](#)

Tap to Donate



HOLY WEEK SERVICES AT SACRED HEART CHURCH IN HILLSBOROUGH

Palm Sunday

· Vigil Mass Saturday 1st April at 6:30 pm
· Evening Prayer of the Church at 6.10pm
· Sunday 2nd April Mass at 11am
· Stations of the Cross at 6pm

Monday 3rd April

· Mass at 10 am
· Reconciliation Service at 6pm with individual Confession

Tuesday 4th April

· Mass at 10 am

Wednesday 5th April

· Chrism Mass – AT ST MARIE'S CATHEDRAL - Bishop Ralph, the Clergy and Laity

Maundy Thursday 6th April

· Mass of the Last Supper at 7.30pm followed by Adoration

Good Friday 7th April

· Morning Prayer of the Church at 10 am
· Service of the Passion of Jesus Christ at 3 pm

Holy Saturday 8th April

· Morning Prayer of the Church at 10 am
· Easter Vigil at 7.30pm

Easter Sunday – Christ is Risen Alleluia!

PARISH NOTICES

Check out the new [Parish Calendar on our website](#) - you can even subscribe to it by clicking the button at the bottom of the page (events will be added automatically to your phone/computer calendar).

Good Friday Walk of Witness

These are the details for Good Friday's Hillsborough Churches' Together event:-
11.30am Start of walk of witness following the cross from St.Polycarps
Midday - start of worship (led by Salvation Army Band), reflections and prayers at the foot of the cross led by three local ministers. (20-30 mins)
12:20-25pm - Another walk of witness through Hillsborough Park exiting at the other corner on Middlewood Road opposite Trinity Methodist Church where the walk will end.
12:45pm - Trinity Methodist Church - folk are welcome to enjoy fellowship with refreshments and hot cross buns.

Any questions contact Andrzej Kurpiel via akurpiel@gmail.com or 07974519539
May we impact and influence the local neighbourhood with our united faith and prayer this Good Friday! Thank you for encouraging participation.

SVP- if you are sick, elderly, lonely and you would like to be visited by a member of the SVP, please contact Fr Michael or Chris Ashton via the Presbytery Number: 01142343580

Carmel Care Woman's Group (A free group for all women)

Please join us at the Carmel Care Centre every Monday from 11am- 2pm starting 27th March for lunch and activities including relaxation, art, meditation, knitting, sewing and crochet, baking and gardening. Carmel Care Centre: 172 Dykes Hall Road, Sheffield S6 4GS
Please call Janet on 07927 657462 for more information, or email jkent@hallam-diocese.com

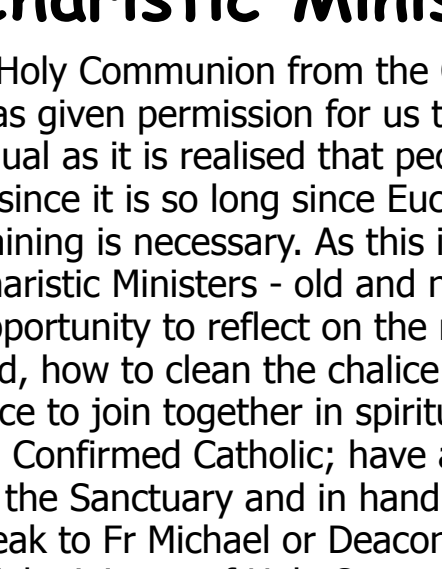
Carmel Care Centre welcomes new members

The Carmel Care Centre welcomes all members of the community to join us weekly on a Tuesday and Wednesday for lunch and activities, we are a caring and welcoming group with plenty of space for new members. To find out more please contact Janet Kent on 07927 657462 or email Janet at jkent@hallam-diocese.com.The centre is based at 172 Dykes Hall Rd, Sheffield S6 4GS.

Teas & Coffees

Each Sunday after the 11am Mass there is an opportunity to get together with other parishioners over a cup of coffee or tea. This is an important way of building and strengthening the parish community, so please join us, whether you are a regular member of the congregation or a visitor. Refreshments are served in the Parish Hall, and we look forward to getting to know you better – all welcome!

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place on Saturday 22nd July 2023. A coach will leave Pond Hill at 8 a.m. There will be an additional pick up at Handsworth. £22 adults, £11 students/children Contact Joseph Durham 07939 152558 joseph.durham52@gmail.com



Eucharistic Ministry

It is over 3 years since we received Holy Communion from the Chalice and now the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has given permission for us to resume the use of the Chalice. This will be entirely up to the individual as it is realised that people may still feel nervous about the spread of infection. In addition, since it is so long since Eucharistic Ministers were involved in this process, we feel that some retraining is necessary. As this is a very important ministry, there will be a training session for all Eucharistic Ministers - old and new on Saturday, 20th May from 10 am to 12 pm. This will give us an opportunity to reflect on the mission of this ministry and some practical work around where to stand, how to clean the chalice etc. This retraining is really important and will give us all a chance to join together in spiritual reflection about the significance of the ministry. If you are over 18, a Confirmed Catholic; have a devotion to the Eucharist; feel confident in your movement around the Sanctuary and in handling the Sacred Vessels and distributing communion, then do speak to Fr Michael or Deacon Tony. After the training we will have a rite of commissioning for our special ministers of Holy Communion prior to recommencing this ministry.

Cancelled Event

We are sorry to announce that due to poor uptake of tickets the Parish Social Event featuring the Bus Pass Buses on Friday 14th April has had to be cancelled. Many thanks to those who bought tickets - we will be unable to give you a refund after Masses and services over Easter. If you paid using Eventbrite you will be refunded via the Eventbrite site.

2023 Holy Land Pilgrimage

Hallam Bishop Ralph Heskett CSM, Bishop of Hallam, will lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from 16th to 23rd October 2023.

The pilgrimage departing Manchester on 16th October 2023, will include visits to The Church of the Annunciation, Mount Tabor the site of the Transfiguration of Jesus, and Capernaum, the home of St Peter.

Pilgrims can pray at The Church of the Beatitudes, visit the site of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes at Tabgha and the Primacy of Peter site, before enjoying a boat trip on the Sea of Galilee.

After visiting the Church of the Pater Noster, pilgrims descend the Mount of Olives, via the Palm Sunday route to the Church of Dominus Flavit. St Peter's in Gallicantu, the Palace of Calaphas, Mount Zion, St Anne's Church. The pools of Bethesda and the Chapel of the Cenacle are also included.

In Bethlehem pilgrims visit the Basilica of the Nativity; St Catherine's Church and the Shepherd's Fields. The Birthplace of John the Baptist in Ein Karim and the Church of the Visitation are also included.

Mass is offered each day at one of the locations visited.

For further details of pilgrimage arrangements, costs etc please contact:

Joe McNally at: joemcnally@gmail.com
Telephone: 0114 236 4076 Mobile: 07891072858

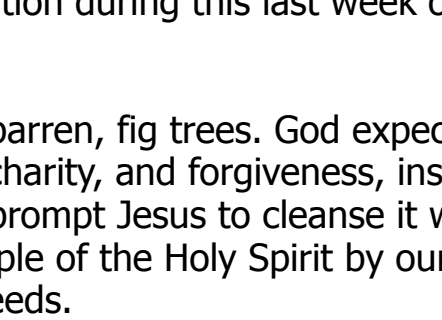


This year's Hillsborough All Churches Family Fun Day will take place on the **13th May in Hillsborough Park.**

Sacred Heart will be providing drinks and cakes again this year. If you would like to contribute cakes/biscuits or to volunteer to help man the refreshment stand for a time during the day, please contact Moses Lutakome or speak with Fr Michael after Mass.

THE EVIDENCE OF GRACE

(Fr. Michael's Homily)



Blessed Is the King Who Comes in the Name of the Lord

The Church celebrates this sixth Sunday of Lent as both Palm Sunday and Passion Sunday. This is the place in the Liturgical year when the Church stop us so that we can remember and relive the events which brought about our redemption and salvation. What we commemorate and relive during this week is not just Jesus' dying and rising, but our own dying to sin and selfishness and rising in Jesus, who will result in our healing, reconciliation, and redemption. Attentive participation in the Holy Week liturgy will deepen our relationship with God, increase our Faith, and strengthen our lives as disciples of Jesus. Today's liturgy combines contrasting moments, one of glory, the other of suffering: the royal welcome of Jesus in Jerusalem, and the rigged trial, culminating in the crucifixion, death, and burial of the Christ.

Let us not cause Jesus to weep over us. Instead, let us repent and shed tears over our sins repenting the Jewish saying, "Heaven rejoices over a repentant sinner and sheds tears over a non-repentant, hard-hearted one." We need to imitate the prodigal son and return to God, our loving Father through the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this last week of Lent and participate fully in the Joy of Christ's Resurrection.

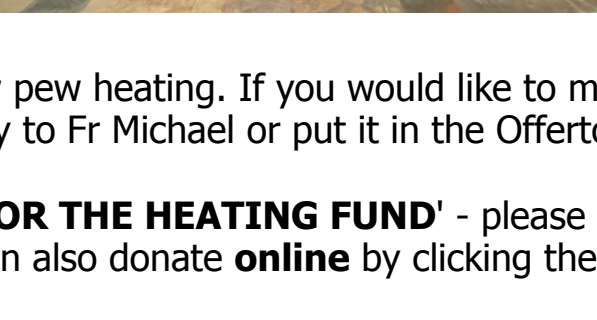
We need to be fruit producing, not barren, fig trees. God expects me to produce fruits of holiness, purity, justice, humility, obedience, charity, and forgiveness, instead of leading a barren spiritual life. Let us not desecrate our heart and prompt Jesus to cleanse it with His whip. Jesus cannot tolerate the desecration of our soul, the temple of the Holy Spirit by our addiction to uncharitable, unjust, and impure thoughts, words, and deeds.

We need to welcome Jesus into our hearts in a special way during the Holy Week as his supporters did on Palm Sunday by welcoming Him into all areas of our life as our Lord and Saviour, singing "Hosanna," and surrendering our lives to Jesus during this Holy Week.

We need to be ready to become like the humble donkey that carried Jesus. As we "carry Jesus" to the world, we may receive the same welcome that Jesus received on Palm Sunday, but we may also meet the same opposition, crosses, and trials later. Like the donkey, we are called upon to carry Christ to a world that does not know Him. Hence, let us become transparent Christians during this Holy Week, enabling others to see in us Jesus' universal love, unconditional forgiveness, and sacrificial service.

Lord Jesus, be the King and Ruler of my heart, mind, life, and home. May my life reflect your meekness and humility that you may be honoured as the King of glory!

Amen

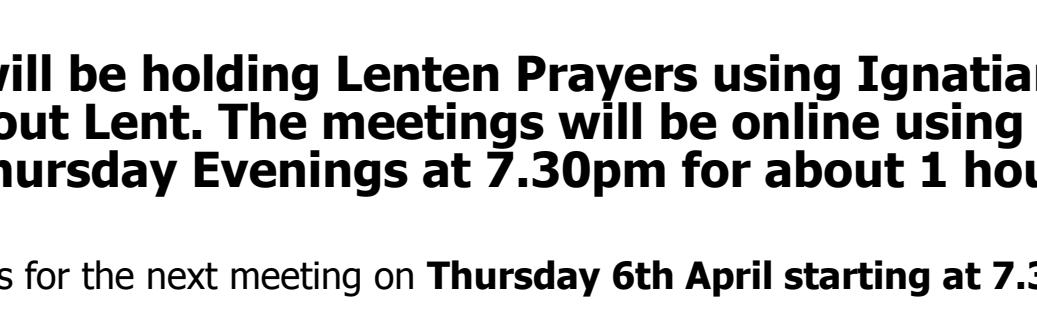


If you are a taxpayer, you can increase your donations to Sacred Heart by 25%, simply by completing a Gift Aid Declaration. Through the Gift Aid scheme, the government gives the church 25p for every £1 you donate.

What the church receives is tax you have already paid. **It costs you no more.**

There are blank Gift Aid Declarations at the back of church, and you can complete one using the screen on the Tap to Donate. For more details visit: <https://www.sacredheartssheffield.co.uk/gift-aid/>

Church Heating Fund



We still need to pay for our new pew heating. If you would like to make any donation towards the cost please either pass it directly to Fr Michael or put it in the Offertory basket at Mass.

PLEASE mark any donations **FOR THE HEATING FUND** - please include your name and address, so we can claim Gift Aid. You can also donate **online** by clicking the button below.

Many thanks to all those who have already made generous donations and gratitude in anticipation of further offerings.

[Click Here to Donate](#)

PRAYER MEETING

The Parish will be holding Lenten Prayers using Ignatian Spirituality throughout Lent. The meetings will be online using Zoom on Thursday Evenings at 7.30pm for about 1 hour.

Join us for the next meeting on **Thursday 6th April starting at 7.30pm.**

[Click Here to Join](#)

LINK: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9210301020?pwd=MFV0QThlchYwZlR5SVUwK2IybjZHU009>
Meeting ID: 921 030 1020
Passcode: Ljpd8p

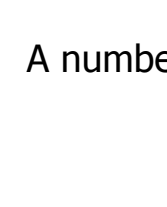
If you wish to dial in using your phone please use one of the numbers below and use the **Meeting ID: 921 030 1020**: +44 208 080 6592; +44 330 088 5830; +44 131 460 1196



LIVES TO INSPIRE

Lenten Prayers using Ignatian Spirituality. Sacred Heart Hillsborough Prayer Group Prayers using

Thursday Evening 7.30pm for about 1 hour. Lenten Prayer meetings, see QR code below.



During Lent we will be using contemplative prayer exercises from the Glasgow Ignatian Centre and spend time reflecting on the lives of the following Saints:

23 February: St Ignace
2 March: St. Teresa of Avila
9 March: St Francis Xavier
16 March: St. Hilida of Whitty
23 March: St. Julian of Norwich
31 March: St. Hildegard from Bingen

6 April is Maundy Thursday and there will be no meeting this evening.

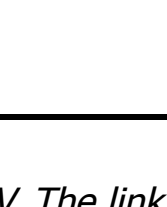
Each evening we take time to settle into prayer; Find out about the life of the saint.

There might be some scripture or a poem, or a picture. Everybody will then spend 10-15min with these resources. Followed by 15.20min of sharing insights with those attending.

If you want to take part in the full 40 day retreat, download the accompanying booklet, or order your own copy please go to [Lives To Inspire ICS Lenten retreat](#).

Please note that the saints identified do NOT follow the order as used in the ISC resource

The QR code takes you to the resource



Prayer Resources for Download

A number of resources are available for download. Please click on the buttons below.

[Parish Community Prayer Booklet](#)

March is the month of St Joseph

O Mary Immaculate, inflame our hearts with one ray of the burning love of thy pure heart

[Pray the Holy Rosary](#)

For services throughout the week we strongly recommend Church Services TV. The link is below:

[Church Services TV](#)

Unsubscribe | [Manage your subscription](#)
Sacred Heart Catholic Church
479 Langsett Road
Sheffield S6 2LN
Tel: 0114 2343580
Web: www.sacredheartssheffield.co.uk
E-Mail: info@sacredheartssheffield.co.uk

MailPost