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PARISH BULLETIN OF SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH

Mass Information w/c 12th November 2023

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 11th November - 6:30pm - Vigil Mass - Jude Jameson (Aged 5 Years)
The Rosary before Mass at 6pm

Sunday 12th November - 11:00am Mass - Remembrance Sunday

Monday 13th November - With Congregation - 8am Mass at Kirk Edge Monastery

Tuesday 14th November - With Congregation - 8am Mass at Kirk Edge Monastery - Jim Groark

Wednesday 15th November - With Congregation - 10am Mass in Church - For the sick and
housebound - St Albert the Great

Thursday 16th November - Without Congregation - St Edmund of Abingdon, St Margaret of Scotland
& St Gertrude

Friday 17th November - With Congregation - 8am Mass at Kirk Edge Monastery
Sandra McNamara

St Hilda, St Hugh of Lincoln & St Elizabeth of Hungary

Saturday 18th November - With Congregation - 8am Mass at Kirk Edge Monastery
The Dedication of the Basilicas of the Ss Peter and Paul & The Blessed Virgin Mary

Children's Liturgy returns

Children's liturgy is back this Sunday and will take place during Sunday Mass. Whether you're new to children's liturgy or have been many times before, please check our webpage for details.

Interested in getting involved? Speak with Fr Michael after Mass. For more information and to sign-up to the family mailing list, visit: [**children's liturgy webpage**](#)

Confessions:

Please make an 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 12th November 2023

For the Sick:

We pray for all those who are sick, that God may grant them health and strength. We remember: *Mary Ahern, Barbara Beatson, Pip Carrington, Fr Michael O'Connor, Wesley, Sonia Holland, Robert Ainsworth, Ann Saunders, Leah, Emma, Paige, Kevin Noone, Isaac Achemu, Loretta Carr & Catherine Bartlett.*

May God bring them healing mercies.

For the Dead:

Please pray for all who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: *Joan Stanley, Bruna Powell, Marjory Mielie, Terence Lorenzo, Brian Adams, Thomas Bermingham, Paddy Clarke, George Hamilton, Lilian Law, Marie Esposito, George Briggs, Peter Lemmings, Michael Morgan, Enid Harte, Joyce Summerbell, Joseph Gerard Holland, Patrick Rowan, Jennie Deakin, Alice Convery, Anne Axe and Thomas Tingle.*

May they rest in peace.

The Book of Remembrance will be on display throughout November for you to add names of family and friends.

Offertory Collection:

Baskets Collections:

5th November 2023 - TBC

**The retiring collection for the Needy Parishes Fund raised £
Thank you very much for your generosity.**

Tap to donate:

5th November 2023 - £154 Offertory £5 Heating

The average monthly standing orders for January - September were £2,138.44 per month.

If you are able, please consider setting up a regular or monthly donation.
You can set-up a standing order with your bank or by using our tap-to-donate system:

Standing Order / Bank Transfer

You can make a donation or set up a standing order directly to our bank account using the details below. You can do this through your online/mobile banking or by asking in your bank branch.

**Sort Code: 40-41-07
Account Number: 21094319**

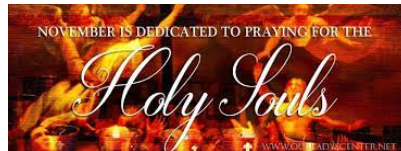
Tap to Donate Online

You can set-up a regular offertory donation using our Tap to Donate system (powered by Give a Little) in a couple of clicks from your phone, computer or tablet.

You can Gift Aid your donation by ticking the box when you donate. Please be assured that the card processing (Sum Up) is the same that is used by businesses across the UK to safely process card payments and it is bank grade secure.

In whatever way you support and donate, thank you very much for your generosity

Tap to Donate



November is the Month of The Holy Souls

November Dead List

There are envelopes at the back of church for you to place the names of your deceased Parents, Relatives, Friends and all for whom you wish to pray.

Holy Mass will be offered for them during the month of November.



The Rosary - Saturday at 6pm

We are going to continue with our meeting to say The Rosary before Saturday evening Mass for the foreseeable future. We will be praying for **Peace in Our World**. Please join us if you can to recite this very powerful prayer.



The Letter Movie

The parish will be showing "**The Letter**" movie on the **11th November at 9.15am**. This a wonderful opportunity for our community to come together and think about how we look after our common home.

The movie tells of the journey of frontline leaders to Rome to discuss climate change and 'Laudato Si' with Pope Francis. We will watch the movie together followed by a discussion.

To book your place please click on the button below. **Booking closes on the 10th November.**

[Click Here To Book](#)



Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal

We have all been shocked and saddened by the devastating conflict in Israel and the occupied Palestinian territory. After 4 weeks of intense conflict, almost 10,000 Palestinians and 1,400 Israeli's have been killed, thousands more injured, and over 1.4 million Palestinians in Gaza are displaced. Food, water and fuel are in increasingly short supply. Families need urgent help.

If you can, please donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at cafod.org.uk/ipc or call 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers.



Request on behalf of the SVP

St Vincent's Furniture Project

St Vincent's Furniture Project (the Furniture Store) has been helping locally in Sheffield for 36 years. We urgently need beds furniture and household equipment such as crockery, and bedding that is clean and in reasonable condition. We aim to provide decent living conditions for people who are often in desperate need. We collect and deliver the donated items for free, and we change lives. In the longer term might you be able to help us by volunteering, or with a standing order donation. You can make all the difference. Can you help? Reach us on 0114 270 3990 and www.svp.org.uk/sheffield-furniture-store Thank you!

SVP

if you are sick, elderly, lonely and you would like to be visited by a member of the SVP, please contact Fr Michael via the Presbytery Number: 0114 234358 or text SVP on 07342362226.

Send a Gift-filled Shoebox in Jesus' Name



At Christmas, this Christian international relief charity distributes gift-filled shoeboxes to children in need around the world.

If you would like to send a shoebox, please pick up from the back of church a leaflet and pre-printed shoebox [or you can pack and cover an ordinary shoebox]. The leaflet includes full packing instructions, gift ideas, labels and an envelope for a £5 donation to cover overheads. Please note that no sweets, toothpaste or any liquids/lotions are to be included.

Please return your gift-filled box to church by Sunday 12 November.

To find out more about the charity visit samaritans-purse.org.uk

On behalf of the children, thank you.
Janina Klapas
Operation Christmas Child Project Leader
Sacred Heart Church

If you have any questions, please call or text me on 0774 267 1268

Some Words About Our Heating System

At the two Masses last weekend, I addressed the congregations to give them some clarification about the reasons why we chose to install our heated pews heating system. For the benefit of any parishioners who were not present or any who would like the chance to take a bit longer to consider what I had to say, here is a resumee;

Two years ago we needed to replace the old underfloor heating system which was broken and beyond repair. So why did we choose the heated pews system?

There were a number of considerations, chief among them was cost. The cost to repair the underfloor system was prohibitive. To replace it with a gas boiler plus radiators, again, would have cost a huge amount of money, with no guarantee that it would be effective enough, given the size of the airspace in church. We decided therefore to heat the people rather than air! We are probably in church at Mass for about an hour or so, longer perhaps at Christmas and Easter, so we needed to bear this in mind as well.

The second consideration was our energy consumption. As it happens, our energy costs were already high in the years before COVID struck and the energy crisis emerged. The system we have now uses a fraction of the electricity we were using and, of course, we have eliminated gas costs. The system is easy to use; turns on and off immediately; there is little or no waiting time for heating up and cooling down. We can also regulate the temperature such that the seats do not become uncomfortably warm or cold. Please tell us if this becomes the case. The upholstery is easy to maintain, as long as we are careful with candle wax and not allowing little feet to walk on the pews!

The next consideration was our status as a listed building. We are subject to the stringent requirements of the Historic Churches Committee, concerning any changes to the structure or aesthetic nature of our church. This means we cannot hang obtrusive appliances like heaters or blowers on the walls.

Finally there is the environmental situation to consider. Our system drastically reduces our carbon footprint and emissions. It is interesting to note that the Church of England in seeking to hit their net zero target by 2030 is looking at alternative heating systems one of which is the heated pew system. We may yet be regarded as pioneers in this regard!

On the down side, we know this system is not perfect, the church is still cold, particularly when we are standing or kneeling, as is our custom. On balance taking all of the above into consideration we consider we have made the right choice.

Many thanks for taking the time to listen and to read!

John McConnon
(Chair, Finance & Premises Committee)

PARISH NOTICES

Sacred Heart School Christmas Fair

FINAL CALL - Sacred Heart School Christmas Fair is on Friday, 1st December from 3.30 to 5.00pm and we thought that it might be a nice idea to make it a bit of a joint affair and for the parish to have a chance to get involved! So far we have had a few volunteers to run a stall but there is still time if you might like to run one. Please email the parish on info@sacredheartsheffield.co.uk (titled Christmas Fair Stall) with your suggestion. Any money raised on a parishioner's stall will come into the parish funds. Please let us know by Sunday, 12th November so that suitable arrangements can be made.

Catholic Youth Ministry Internships

Castlerigg Manor (The Lancaster Diocese Retreat Centre) is looking for young Catholics aged 18-25 to join their Internship Programme. The scheme lasts for one or two years and gives participants wideranging experience, skills, training, and qualifications as well as the opportunity to work with a fantastic team based in the Lake District. For more information contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk

St Wilfrid's Christmas Concert on Wednesday December 13th.

This will be a mix of Christmas Carols for everyone to join in with and a number of songs to listen to, performed by Sheffield Folk Chorale. The last concert they performed for St Wilfrid's Centre was excellent and everyone who attended said it was a really enjoyable evening. Ticket numbers are limited and we know that diaries get full in December so we are letting you know early so that you can book your tickets. All the money raised will go to support our work with vulnerable, isolated and homeless adults across the whole of South Yorkshire.

Teas & Coffees after Mass

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!

Free Wellbeing Course for Women

A free six-week course for a happier and more relaxed you. Starting for six weekly sessions from Wednesday 22nd November 2023 online at 10am.

Join us to explore;

Emotional Self-care – Emotional self-care allows us to take time to benefit our health and well-being. Thinking about putting your own needs first - building your resilience. Being more assertive and setting boundaries, communicating more effectively at home and work. Stress and relaxation techniques – learning new skills for a more relaxed you. Build resilience and recover from trauma – To move forward in your life. Come and join us for these relaxed, friendly and supportive sessions! For more information and to book in please contact Janet Kent on 07927657462 jkent@hallam-diocese.com

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

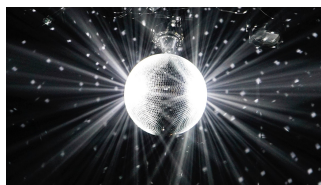
Carmel Care Centre welcomes new members

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.

Care for the Family - A Mind of Their Own

Anxiety levels and struggles with mental wellbeing are on the rise in children, but mums and dads have incredible power to help their kids build strong emotional resilience. This event from Care for the Family, explores how we can do this. At A Mind of Their Own they'll look at the unique opportunities and pressures facing young people today, as well as the science of the mind, and why children act and react the way they do. You'll come away with practical tools to see your children through the difficult times, and are established confidence in knowing you're the best person to help your child. Sign up today: cff.org.uk/moto

Check out the [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).



Tickets are now on sale for the Parish Christmas Children's Disco

The Christmas children's disco is to be held on Sunday 17th December at the Hillsborough Arena.
Please click below for details and the link to purchase tickets.

[Click Here](#)



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.sacredheartsheffield.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](#)



The month of November is dedicated to Thoughts and Prayers for Our Beloved Dead
Month of the Holy Souls

<https://www.salvemariaregina.info/Prayers/November.html>



The Prayer Group will be meeting for prayer & reflection

We will be following a 4 week cycle, which includes an excellent new Bible Study course on the 4th Thursday of the month.

- 1st Thursday - Rosary
- 2nd Thursday - Lectio Divina
- 3rd Thursday - Evening Prayer
- 4th Thursday - Bible Study

Join us for the next meeting on **Thursday 16th November starting at 7.30pm for 30-45min of prayer via zoom** (***Please note that there is a waiting room and you will be let in once the meeting starts***).

[Click Here to Join](#)

LINK: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9210301020?pwd=MVF0dThLcHYwLzIRSVUwK2IybjZHUT09>

If you wish to dial in using your phone please use one of the numbers below and use the meeting ID.

+44 208 080 6592; +44 330 088 5830; +44 131 460 1196; +44 203 481 5237; +44 203 901 7895;
+44 208 080 6591.

Meeting ID: 921 030 1020

Information on how to join a zoom meeting can be found here: <https://zoom.us/> under resources or support.

Prayer Resources for Download

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

Parish Community Prayer Booklet

The month of November is dedicated to The Souls in Purgatory,

Pray the Holy Rosary

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

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