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PARISH BULLETIN OF SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH

Mass Information w/c 17th March 2024



Fifth Sunday of Lent

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 16th March 2024 - **6:00pm - Rosary**

6:30pm - Vigil Mass - Robert Tyler (Anniversary)

Sunday 17th March - 11:00am Mass - People of the Parish

Stations of the Cross at 6pm

Monday 18th March - 8am Mass at Kirk Edge Monastery - St Cyril of Jerusalem and St Edward

Tuesday 19th March - 8am Mass at Kirk Edge Monastery - St Joseph

Wednesday 20th March - **10:00am Mass** - Elizabeth Portman (Recently deceased)

Thursday 21st March - 8am Mass at Kirk Edge Monastery

Friday 22nd March - 8am Mass at Kirk Edge Monastery

Saturday 23rd March - 10am **Morning Prayers** - St Turibius of Mogrovejo

10:30-11:30 **Confession**

Death and Condolences

Stewart Hutchison passed away this week. We offer our prayers for the repose of his soul and comfort for his family. May he rest in eternal peace and may perpetual light shine upon him. Let us honour his memory by keeping him in our thoughts and prayers. Amen.

Children's Liturgy

Children's liturgy 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 17th March 2024

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, Loretta Carr & Catherine Bartlett.*

May God bring them healing mercies.

For the Dead:

Please pray for Stewart Hutchison (Gillian's Husband), all who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

James Bird, Freda Moore, Betty Hall, Mary Lawson, Mary Christina Donlon, Christine Finnigan, Julie Finnigan, George Allen, Eithne Frawley, John Richard Haywood, Frances Brown, Joyce Wragg, Thomas Leo Frankland, James Dudley, Margaret Hinchliffe, Michael Barry Stanley, Patricia Rowden, Margaret Martin, Jim Groark, Michael Mitchell, Iolanthe D'Roza, Anne Linsley, Fred Clayton, Kathleen Huntington, Henry Keable and Daphne Davies

May they rest in peace.

Offertory Collection

Baskets

3rd March 2024

Offertory - £431.09
Ring of Coins - Lenten Charities - Buckets £58

The Retiring Collection for the Missionary Society of St Paul raised £265.03

10th March 2024 - TBC

Tap to donate

10th March 2024

Offertory - £65.00
Church Maintenance Fund - £7.00
Lenten Appeal - £5.00

The standing orders for the month of January was £2,266.00

Many thanks for your generosity.

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 our online donation page or using our donation tablet in church.

You can Gift Aid your donation by ticking the box when you donate. Please be assured that the card processing 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

GIFT AID

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/>



Praying Together Over Lent

Saturdays at 10 a.m. - Morning Prayer of the Church

Sundays at 6 p.m. Stations of the Cross.

Saturdays at 6 p.m

Week 5 (16th March) - Rosary
Week 6 (23rd March) - Adoration

Sundays at 10:15 a.m

Weeks 5 & 6 (17th & 24th March) - Meditation Based on the Our Father led by members of the Online Parish Prayer Group.

Individual Prayers

The Cross will be used to stick on intentions using post it notes. Please write down your own intentions on the post it notes and help us to cover the Cross. These intentions to be added as a general intercession in the Bidding Prayers.



Hillsborough all Churches Family Fun Day 11th of May 2024

1pm - 4pm

A reminder for the date of the Fair 11th May to be marked in the calendar and a call for volunteers.

Over 10 years now, all Churches in Hillsborough have annually come together to run a Family Fun Fair which relies more on volunteers and the financial contributions each church contributes towards the successful organisation and running of the event.

The team of organising volunteers is getting small and this year we are looking for anyone who may be happy to get involved and take on the roles below or join the organising committee.

- Assistant chief steward
- Health & Safety
- Social media / promotion skills
- A Lead from Sacred Heart as Moses would like to pass on the role to someone else..
- And if anyone has a van they can use on the day that would be great!

There will be a call out for anyone who would like to volunteer on the day after we sort out the registration process but if you would like to help please email your contacts to the Parish or use the following inquiry link on the website. <https://www.sacredheartsheffield.co.uk/contact/>

<https://facebook.com/events/s/hillsborough-churches-family-f/7329246103855439/>

PARISH NOTICES

Furniture Needed

A family have just moved to Sheffield and need furniture. If you have any type of furniture that you no longer need then the family would very much appreciate it. If this is something that you can help with, please speak to Father Michael or email us at info@sacredheartsheffield.co.uk with the details.

Gratitude

We thank Annette and Lesley for initiating and organising the parish Easter raffle draw. We also appreciate all those who took part and all the lucky winners. The raffle raised £212 for the Church Maintenance Fund. The contribution from this will enable us to undertake needed services and repairs. God bless you.

There is still one prize to be collected from the sacristy - 7th prize - Nick Cooray.

Parish Lenten Confessions

The Parish Penitential Service and Lenten Confessions will take place on Monday 25th March at 6:00pm. This sacrament of reconciliation is a powerful means to bring about ongoing renewal and conversion. The purpose of the sacrament is not just about forgiveness but also about a sacrament of healing and empowerment.

Good Friday's Hillsborough Churches' Together Event

This begins at 11:45am with the Salvation Army band playing at the Cross.

We are asking congregations to organise their own "Ice lolly stick prayer requests" before this event and then to bring these along to stick in a pot at the foot of the cross - to be shared out among the leaders at the end, for their congregations to pray over / include in their prayers when gathered.

We conclude at 12:45pm at Trinity Methodist Church for refreshments – everyone is welcome to

enjoy fellowship with refreshments and hot cross buns.

Save the date: Saturday 8th June 2024 - Parish Pilgrimage in honour of the Sacred Heart.

The Feast of The Sacred Heart this year falls on Friday 7th June. In order to mark the occasion this year we are planning to have a Parish Pilgrimage to Kirk Edge on SATURDAY 8th JUNE. The day will begin with a walk to the Monastery from Church. During the day there will be an opportunity to participate in prayerful activities; enjoy a picnic lunch and the day will end with an open air Mass in the grounds of the Convent. There will be transport available for those who cannot walk. We will begin planning in earnest for the event after Easter and are looking for volunteers to get involved in planning and organising the day. If you are interested in getting involved, please email Ann on the church email. We will be particularly interested in recruiting members of the Children's Liturgy Team to provide activities for the children. We will, of course, be praying for fine weather!! Further details to follow.

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! **A few more helpers would be very much appreciated**

AROUND THE DIOCESE

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!

On Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th of February there was an appeal by Kevin from the SVP Furniture Project. Kevin gave out several donation/gift aid forms. If you would like to donate to this cause could you please return the completed form to the church and we will forward them on to him. Many thanks for your support.

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.

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2024

The 2024 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by Bishop Ralph, will take place from Friday 28th June to Thursday 4th July 2024.

Further information is available at the back of the church and booking forms can also be downloaded from the pilgrimage website www.hallam-lourdes.com

Lenten Charities

Several members of our congregation have developed their own charities which we hope to be supporting this year using the bucket collection at the end of weekend Masses. There will be details of these in weekly bulletin updates.

If you wish to donate online you can do this via the tap to donate machine in church or by clicking on the button below.

Thank you for all your support!

[Click Here to Donate](#)

Church Maintenance Fund

Church maintenance is carried out throughout the year by two parish volunteers. They are able to carry out any minor work but for more serious issues we have to hire professionals which comes at a cost to the parish.

If you would like to make any donation towards the cost of maintaining the church please either pass it directly to Fr Michael or put it in the Offertory basket at Mass. Please mark any donations '**For The Church Maintenance Fund**' - please include your name and address so we can claim Gift Aid. You can also donate **online** by clicking the button below or by using the **donation tablet** at the back of church.

If there are any skilled tradesman out there who we might need to call upon, could you please give your details to Father Michael.

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

[Click Here to Donate](#)

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. The format has changed slightly over the Lenten period, please see below:

- 1st Thursday - Rosary
- 2nd Thursday - Study based on the Our Father
- 3rd Thursday - Stations of the Cross
- 4th Thursday - Bible Study

Join us for the next meeting on **Thursday 21st of March 2024 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](#)

March is the month of St Joseph

[Pray the Holy Rosary](#)

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

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