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PARISH BULLETIN OF SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH

Mass Information w/c 7th April 2024 The Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 6th April 2024 - 06:30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 7th April - 11:00am - Sheila Robert 90th Birthday Thanksgiving
Monday 8th April - 08:00am Kirk Edge Monastery - Annunciation of the Lord
Tuesday 9th April - 08:00am Kirk Edge Monastery
Wednesday 10th April - 10:00am - People of the Parish
Thursday 11th April - **09:30am Funeral Mass: Mary Ahern**
St Stanislaus
Friday 12th April - **11:30am Funeral Service: Stewart Hutchison**
Saturday 13th April - 08:00am Kirk Edge Monastery - St Martin I

Children's Liturgy

No children's liturgy this Sunday, the team are taking a break over Easter.

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 7th April 2024

For the Sick:

We pray for all those who are sick, that God may grant them health and strength. We remember:

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 Elizabeth Mary Doran, Michael Burns and all who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Vera Croft, Wilfrid Guest, Irene Savage, Hilda Justice, Bill Roche, Joseph C Leach, Joseph Leach Jnr, Annie Middleton, Willan Roche, Stella Grayson, John Maloney, Bridget Warren, Canon Michael McCoy, Catherine Woolfrey, Michael Anthony Melland, Mark Anthony Cox, Frank Heap, Dukate Fushazi, Tony Harris and Pierce O'Brien.

May they rest in peace.

Offertory Collection

Baskets

Maundy Thursday - £104.06
Good Friday Collection for The Holy Places - £465.91

Tap to donate

Maundy Thursday - £85.00
Church Maintenance Fund - £35.00
Lenten Appeal - £7.00

The average monthly donations by standing order for January & February was £2,199.

Many thanks for your generosity.

Offertory Collection and Donations April 2024-April 2025

All Offertory Envelope boxes for weekly cash donations have been allocated and no more will be available for this year.

If you wish to donate by cash or cheque, please use the envelopes available for single donations or the Tap to Donate. Both options allow you to donate under Gift Aid if you pay tax.

Gift Aid enables the parish to claim 25p from the government for every £1 you donate - without costing you anything more!

If you will now be donating regularly, please consider doing this by bank transfer or standing order.

The Parish bank details are:

Diocese of Hallam Sacred Heart Sheffield
Sort Code: 40-41-07
Account Number: 21094319

If you pay tax, please consider signing a Gift Aid Declaration [GAD] - declaration forms are available at the back of church. Please hand your completed GAD to Fr. Michael or me. Thank you. Janina

If you would like more information, come and ask me, Janina. I'm usually in the Hall after Sunday Mass.

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

Tap to Donate

Father Michael Easter Offering

Thank you to everyone who contributed to Father Michael's Easter Offering, your generosity is very much appreciated.

If you were away for the Easter Masses and you still wanted to make a contribution to Fr Michael's Easter Offering you can still do this either by putting your offering in an envelope marked 'Father Michael's Easter Offering' and placing it in the collection basket or by using the Tap to Donate machine in church or by clicking on the button below:

Please Click Here

Parish Notices

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!

A sign up site for Volunteers for 2024's Fun Day is now available online and you can access it at <https://bit.ly/3J36ydf> .

With less than 6 weeks to go we recommend you consider now what you may be able to do at this event as your part in blessing families in Hillsborough, together with your brothers and sisters from across the Church in Hillsborough. The signing up process should be quite straightforward and details of who to contact for whatever reason are available on the site.

The whole sign up process is quite straightforward for anyone who has access to the internet. However, if you would prefer, you can call or text Andrzej on 07974519539 or talk to Andrzej, Moses, Gerard, Steve Moran or Fr. Michael.

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.**

Essential Church Maintenance

There will be scaffolding erected on the Sanctuary and around both Transepts from the 9th/10th of April for a maximum of 4 weeks. Work will begin on the walls/ceiling on Monday the 15th of April.

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.

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

[Click Here to Donate](#)

Around The Diocese

Right To Life UK - Please ask your MP to support the abortion time limit reduction amendment and oppose abortion up to birth

Join the Catholic Bishops in supporting an amendment to reduce our abortion time limit from 24 weeks to 22 weeks, and opposing an amendment that would introduce abortion up to birth. These amendments may be voted on in the next few weeks.

Take action: Collect a postcard from the back of the church and post it to your MP in support of the 22-week amendment. To oppose the abortion up to birth amendment, email your MP via this link: www.righttolife.org.uk/johnsonabortionamendment

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.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes - Friday 28th June – 4th July 2024

Have you considered travelling on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in this Year of Prayer ? All are very welcome to join Bishop Ralph, clergy and parishioners from around the diocese on the 2024 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. The organisers ask anyone who is interested to send their Booking Forms in as soon as possible so that plans can be made. Any outstanding information can follow later. Booking forms available to download at www.hallam-lourdes.com . Enquiries 01302 247910 or 07724 650066. Fare £879pp - 6 nights Full Board (excl. Ins.) flying from Leeds Bradford Airport

direct to Lourdes.

Job Vacancies

All Saints Catholic High School have various teaching vacancies. Please visit the school website for more details and application forms. <https://www.allsaints.sheffield.sch.uk/vacancies/>

The Prayer Group will be meeting for prayer & reflection

Prayer Group Schedule for the month of April

- 4th - Stations of the Resurrection
- 11th - Bible Course (Session 7)
- 18th - Rosary / Evening Prayer (tbc)
- 25th - Bible Course (Session 8)

Join us for the next meeting on **Thursday 11th of April 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=MVF0dThLcHYwLzlRSVUwK2IybjZHUT09>

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](#)

April is the month of The Holy Eucharist

[Pray the Holy Rosary](#)

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

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