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PARISH BULLETIN OF SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH

Mass Information w/c 13th October 2024 **28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 12th October - 6:30pm Vigil Mass (Rosary at 6pm) - John & Pauline McConnon
Sunday 13th October - 11:00am Mass - Stewart Hutchison
Monday 14th October - 08:00 am Kirk Edge Monastery - St Callistus I
Tuesday 15th October - 08:00 am Kirk Edge Monastery - St Teresa of Jesus
Wednesday 16th October - 10:00am Mass - St Hedwig & St Margaret Mary Alacoque
Thursday 17th October - 08:00am Kirk Edge Monastery - St Ignatius of Antioch
Friday 18th October - 08:00am Kirk Edge Monastery - St Luke
Saturday 19th October - 08:00am Kirk Edge Monastery - St John de Brebeuf, St Isaac Jogues, St Paul of the Cross & The Blessed Virgin Mary



October is the month of the Holy Rosary

As part of our Devotions here at Sacred Heart, we have been saying the Rosary before the Saturday evening Mass for the last year. As October is a special month for the Rosary, please join us if you are able, on Saturday evenings beginning at 6pm.

Congratulations



Lucy and Kevin Meagher celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary this week. They made their marriage vows at St Marie's Cathedral on the 9th of October 2004. We congratulate them and ask God's blessing for their continued health and happiness.

Children's Liturgy

Children's liturgy will take place during the 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 13th October 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, Loretta Carr, Catherine Bartlett, Babs Parker & John McConnon

May God bring them healing mercies.

For the Dead:

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

Mary Carrigan, Peter Lawson, Carol Brett, Kathleen Chorlton, Reg Birt, Louise Angela Priestley, Jim Sharrock, Spiros Petrou, Felix Nuttall, Sheila McDonnell, Eddie Kelly, Marie Hodgkinson, Kathleen Buckley, Antonia Igwen, Irene Hogan, Margaret Goodison, Cali Jane Ledgeway, Elsie Gell, Charles James Greer, Brenda Reeve and Fr Gerry Harney

May they rest in peace.

Offertory Collection

Baskets:

28th & 29th September - £391.71
5th & 6th October - TBC

Tap to Donate:

Apologies, unfortunately we do not have the figures for the 5th & 6th of October card donations at the moment as there has been an issue with the tablet's internet connection. The figure published on last week's bulletin was for 3 weeks of card donations, rather than on the days they were made.

The average monthly standing order donations for January to August was £2,242.75

"A branch of the Diocese of Hallam - A Registered Charity"

Many thanks for your generosity.

Donations and Gift Aid

If you are a taxpayer, you can increase your donations to Sacred Heart by 25%, simply by completing a Gift Aid Declaration (GAD). You only need to do this once.

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.** To be able to claim that 25p for every £1 you donate, the church needs to keep a record of how much is donated by each Gift Aider. All tax payers are encouraged to make their donations under gift aid and the information you provide is in the strictest confidence. There are a few options available to make your donations under gift aid.

Single Donations under Gift Aid

If you wish to make a single gift aided donation by cash or cheque, please use the envelopes available at the back of church for single donations. Alternatively, if you wish to make a single gift aided donation by debit or credit card please use the Tap to Donate tablet at the back of church and choose to gift aid your donation. This method may also be used for regular donations by using the tablet each time you wish to donate.

Regular Donations under Gift Aid

If you wish to make regular gift aided donations (e.g. weekly or monthly) by standing order, cheque or offertory envelope please complete a Gift Aid Declaration (GAD) form which is available at the back of church.

Please note that you may choose the following donation options on the form:

- a) "past 4 years", which enables the parish to claim for previous as well as future donations;
- b) "future donations", which enables the parish to claim for future donations. Please do not select "today" since this is for one-off donations rather than regular donations.

You may also choose to make your donations by:

- a) Standing order - this is the preferred option since your donation is transferred directly from your bank account to the parish bank account.
- b) Cheque
- c) NE (offertory envelope)

Please ensure the form is signed and dated and hand your completed GAD to Fr. Michael or leave it at the presbytery.

Once you have completed your form, if you selected to pay by standing order, please set up a standing order with your bank for the regular amount you wish to donate. This can usually be done via online banking or via a banking app or by visiting your bank.

The Parish bank details are:
Diocese of Hallam Sacred Heart Sheffield
Sort Code: 40-41-07
Account Number: 21094319

If you opted to donate by offertory envelope these will be provided to you in due course.
If you would like more information, please speak to Fr Michael or phone or email the parish administrator (details are at the top of this bulletin).

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

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Gift Aid Declaration Claim Letters

Thank you to all who have completed a Gift Aid Declaration form for your donations to the church.

There are still some letters to be collected regarding your annual donation for the tax year 2023/24
Please collect your letter from the back of the church.



Thank you to everyone who has taken part in the Bonus Ball Lottery to help raise much needed funds for the church.

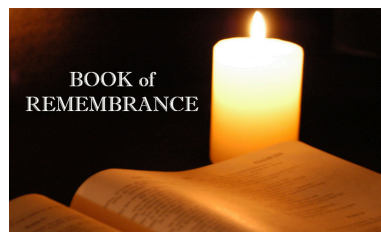
The first draw was last Saturday, the 5th of October, the winning number was 19 and the lucky winner was Matt Davis.

If anyone still hasn't paid for their number, could you please make the payment this weekend to either Malc Fleet on Saturday night or Andrew Hartley at the Sunday morning mass.

The next draw will be this Saturday, the 12th of October.

The winning number will be displayed on the noticeboard at the back of the church every week and you can collect your winnings the following weekend from Malc or Andrew.

Good Luck Everyone



Remembrance Book

A while ago it was suggested that we purchase a new book as the current one has seen better days! Over a lot of years, many names have been added to the book and it won't be possible for any one person to transfer them all from old to new. We will keep the old book and have it displayed at the Quarterly Memorial Mass but we are asking you to both transfer and add all the names that you would like to put in the new book. The new book will be used for the Bidding Prayers and bulletin notice. **We hope to begin using the new book from November this year - the month of the Holy Souls.** The book is at the front of the church so that you can begin putting the names in. We ask that you PRINT CLEARLY the names of your loved ones.

We've noticed that at the moment not many have transferred the names over and it's essential that it's done so that loved one's anniversaries are remembered each week.

Join Sheffield Church Action on Poverty's Urban Poverty Pilgrimage

Sheffield Church Action on Poverty, part of the national ecumenical Christian social justice charity, committed to tackling poverty in the UK, is staging its 15th annual Urban Poverty Pilgrimage on Saturday October 19th.

The Pilgrimage starts at St Andrew's United Reform Church on Hanover Street at 9:30 am and will cover just under three miles, ending with a short act of worship at Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church in Hillsborough.

The event is open to all and will include stops at St Mark's Broomhill and St Mary's Walkley during which participants will be able to hear from Sheffield Central's new Labour MP, Abtisam Mohamed, learn about the impact of poverty on local communities and hear about initiatives aimed at tackling

it. For more information and to register an interest in attending please contact Bob Rae, tel no: 07710116701 or e-mail: bob.rae@stmariecathedral.org.

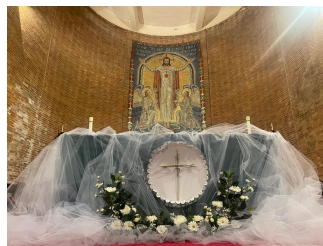
Jubilee 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope



The Holy Father has announced that 2025 will be a Jubilee Year, something which happens every 25 years. The theme for Jubilee 2025 is "Pilgrims of Hope," and it will be a year of hope.

Please pick up your Pilgrim Passport from the Church, which details designated pilgrimage places and all the events taking place across the diocese throughout 2025. The Jubilee banner displayed in Church shows the icon CAFOD commissioned from Ethiopia for the Jubilee Year, unveiled and blessed at Adoremus on 14 September, reminding us the Jubilee is a global event.

Deacon Tony is going on pilgrimage to Rome for the Jubilee, in February, to walk through the Holy Doors at St. Peter's Basilica, and will take particular prayer requests with him from the parish.



SACRED HEART FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2024-25

Catholic children in Years 3 - 6 are invited to take part in the parish-based programme of preparation for the sacraments of Reconciliation and the Holy Eucharist, leading up to their First Confession and First Holy Communion. Children from non-Catholic schools are very welcome, and encouraged, to join the programme.

Further information, what to expect and key dates are provided in an invitation letter – **[click here to download](#)**. **Please read this information and check that you will be available for the session dates.** You can check the eligibility and key information on the [First Holy Communion web pages](#) - [click here](#).

If you are interested in registering for the programme, **please complete the online registration form:** www.sacredheartsheffield.co.uk/FHCRegister Please note, registration will not be complete until baptism has been confirmed and registration fee received. The final date to register for the 2024-25 programme is **9pm on Friday 25th October 2024**.

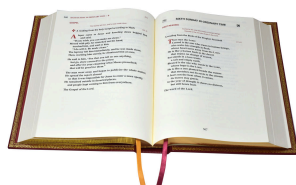


Church Cleaning Volunteers

The next regular monthly church clean will take place on Saturday 26th October between 9.30 and 11.30am.

The church cleaning squad get together on the last Saturday of the month but we need more volunteers. With a good sized team, the church is spick and span in just over an hour! If you can spare a couple of hours once a month it would be a great help. If you can bring your own broom, mop and bucket it helps but not essential if you don't have one!

Newcomers are always welcome. Please come along to help if you can.



Attention all Readers of the Word of God

You are invited to a training session for new and existing readers in the Church on **Saturday 9th November from 10.00 until 12.00 noon**. This will include an introduction to the Liturgy of the Word at Mass, the practical skills required for reading in church, use of the sound system, and an introduction to the new Lectionary and Bible translation. This will equip parish readers to more effectively proclaim the texts they read. If you love the Word of God and are confident in reading aloud in public then come along, undertake a short training session, and add your name to the roster for the Masses you normally attend.



Volunteers Wanted - Can you spare a few hours?

St Wilfrid's Centre is a community where homeless, vulnerable and socially excluded adults can find understanding, practical assistance, a sense of belonging and the support to regain self-esteem. We aim to provide individuals with opportunities to improve their quality of life.

Volunteering is a great way to meet new friends, gain experience and to help a local charity. We are always looking to increase our volunteer team and are looking for a volunteer to help in our cafe on Tuesdays from 9 am to 1.30 pm.

If you are able to help, please contact the centre on 0114 2555720 or by emailing at info@stwilfridscentre.org

You can also speak to Dom Maloney after the 6:30pm Saturday Vigil Mass.

For more information about St Wilfrid's Centre please visit <https://www.stwilfridscentre.org/>

Sacred Heart School Open Days

Please see the poster below and on the church noticeboard for further information



Notices

Assisted Suicide Bill

Likely vote on assisted suicide in Parliament before Christmas.

Watch actor and disability rights advocate Liz Carr's BBC documentary on assisted suicide, Better Off Dead? where she examines the impact of one of the world's most extreme assisted suicide laws in Canada. **Watch for free online** (you do not need a TV licence): righttolife.org.uk/betteroffdead

The Parish accounts for the year ending 31st of December 2023 have been published and are available to view on the parish noticeboard at the back of the church.

Holy Hour For Life

A Holy Hour For Life (Adoration): Mother of God Church, Abbeydale Road, S7 1DX. Last Saturday of the month after the 10am Mass

A Spiritual Bouquet to pray for respect for life from conception until natural death

Between 28th December 2023 and 30th November 2024, the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children and the Knights of St. Columba are uniting in prayer for an end to the culture of death and for a flourishing of the culture of life. During October, the SPUC and Knights of St Columba ask you to pray for an end to abortion in the UK.

All Saints Sixth Form Open Morning

All Saints Catholic High School in Sheffield has an upcoming Sixth Form Open Morning for any students in our parish, on Saturday 9th of November 2024 from 10.00am - 12.00pm. Please see the poster on the noticeboard at the back of the church for further information.

Safeguarding: For matters relating to the safeguarding of vulnerable persons in our parish, or for information relating to DBS recruitment procedures, please email safeguarding.sdhth@hallam-diocese.com or text / phone 0780 117 7483. Our Safeguarding Representative is Dominic Maloney. In emergency situations where vulnerable persons are at imminent risk of harm, please phone 999.

Family, couples and relationship therapy

Caritas Counselling Service are offering Family, Couples and Relationship Counselling Free of Charge - for more information please contact Bernie Ware on 07980406198 bware@hallam-diocese.com or Janet Kent 07927657462 jkent@hallam-diocese.com

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

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 2343580 or text SVP on 07342362226.

Teas & Coffees after Mass

Each Sunday after the 11 am 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.**

Job Vacancies

All Saints Catholic High School have several vacancies. Catering Manager (Immediate Start) Temporary Teacher Of Art, Permanent Teacher Of English. Please visit school website for more information and application form. <https://www.allsaints.sheffield.sch.uk/vacancies/>

Church Maintenance

Church maintenance is carried out throughout the year by parish volunteers.

If you would like to offer your help please speak to Malc Fleet at the Vigil Mass on Saturdays or alternatively, you can send us an email at info@sacredheartsheffield.co.uk

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

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](#)



The Prayer Group will be meeting for prayer & reflection Occurs every Thursday

The proposed schedule for the coming year is:

- Week 1: Lectio
- Week 2: Evening Prayer
- Week 3: Rosary
- Week 4: The Letter to the Romans (Bible Society) *Please see the information below

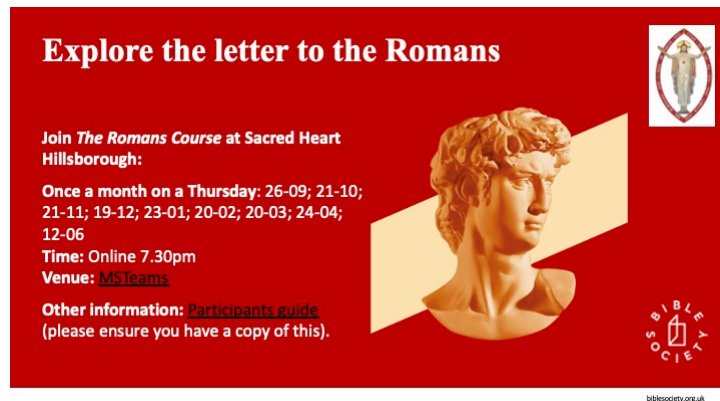
**Please join us for the next parish prayer meeting on
Thursday, 17th October 2024
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM (GMT)**

MS Teams link: [Parish Prayer Meeting](#) | [Microsoft Teams](#) | [Meet-up-Join](#)

***Explore the letter to the Romans**

Please note: The next meeting for this course is on the 24th of October and not the 21st as displayed on the poster.

There is also a meeting to add to the course for the 22nd of May 2025



Please ensure you have a copy of the participants guide.

Could you please download and print a copy by clicking on the following link:

https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/content/resources/The_Romans_Course_Official/PDF_guides/small_group_materials/participants_full.pdf

It would be a great help if you could download and print the guide but if you don't have access to a printer, please let us know as soon as possible by emailing us on info@sacredheartsheffield.co.uk

MS Teams Link: [Parish Prayer Meeting](#) | [Microsoft Teams](#) | [Meet-up-Join](#)

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 October is devoted to the Holy Rosary

[Pray the Holy Rosary](#)

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

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