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PARISH BULLETIN OF SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH

Mass Information w/c 3rd November 2024 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 2nd November - 6:30pm Vigil Mass (Rosary at 6pm) - John & Pauline McConnon
Sunday 3rd November - 11:00am Mass - John Deakin (20th anniversary of death)
Monday 4th November - 08:00 am Kirk Edge Monastery - St Charles Borromeo
Tuesday 5th November - 08:00 am Kirk Edge Monastery
Wednesday 6th November - **No Mass**
Thursday 7th November - 08:00am Kirk Edge Monastery
Friday 8th November - 08:00am Kirk Edge Monastery
Saturday 9th November - 08:00am Kirk Edge Monastery - Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

No Children's Liturgy

Children's liturgy is taking a break for Half-term. 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 3rd November 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:**

Lucy Vallance, John Deakin, Margaret Shaw & Marie Krahm

May they rest in peace.

Offertory Collection

Baskets:

12th - 20th October - £988.58

26th & 27th October - TBC

The envelope donations for CAFOD raised £35.00

The envelopes and retiring collection for World Mission Sunday (Missio) raised £130.00

Tap to Donate:

26th & 27th October

Offertory - £130.00

Church Maintenance Fund - £115.00

The average monthly standing order donations for 1st January - 30th September was £2,233.56

"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)

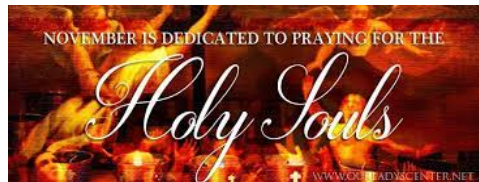
Please ensure the form is signed and dated and hand your completed GAD to Fr. Michael or leave it at the presbytery.

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.



November is the Month of The Holy Souls

November Dead List

There are now 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.

It would be a great help if you could print the names clearly, thank you.

Holy Mass will be offered for them throughout November and at all the quarterly memorial masses from November 2024 to October 2025.

Could you please return your envelopes to the church or presbytery as soon as possible please.

The envelopes can either be given to Fr Michael or placed in the offertory baskets.

If you are using your own envelope, please mark it ' November Dead List'.



The next Quarterly Memorial Mass will be on Monday 25th of November at 6 pm

At the last Memorial Mass in August, we prayed for the Holy Souls whose anniversaries occurred between August and October. As before all the names will be displayed at the Mass. We will pray for the people in our remembrance books whose anniversaries occur between the 1st of November and the 31st of January, any requested in the November Dead List Envelopes and all those whose remains are interred in our Memorial Garden. This is a special way for us to remember and honour our loved ones.

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.

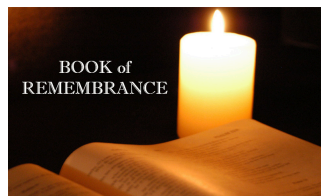
Please return your gift-filled box to church by Sunday 10 November.

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



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 is now being used for the Bidding Prayers and bulletin notice.** 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.

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.

JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE IN KENT 15th -19th SEPTEMBER 2025

Pilgrimages have been organised by St Mary's Penistone, Sheffield over many years and the next is a five day stay in Kent with visits to the different National Shrines of St Jude and St Augustine.

There will be Masses at each Shrine with Fr Henry [St Mary's] celebrating. There will also be a tour of Canterbury Cathedral. A full free day is also included.

The cost per person including coach travel and half board en suite accommodation at a Best Western Hotel in Faversham is £495 [There is no supplement for single occupancy] Different pick up points can be arranged within the Diocese]

For further information or to reserve places contact Brendan Lally of St Mary's [07949241108]



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.

The Jesuit Institute and Hallam Diocese Formation and Mission team invite you to a new Programme on Spiritual Listening and Accompaniment open to all. It's a wonderful opportunity to deepen your relationship with God and explore your gifts through the synodal method of 'Listening in the Spirit.'

For further information get in touch with Formation and Mission by: Email: formation-mission@hallam-diocese.com or Phone: 0114 256 6410

Invitation to Hallam Week of Guided Prayer

We cordially invite you to participate in Hallam Week of Guided Prayer, aimed at enriching your spiritual journey through daily reflection and support from trained guides.

Registration is now open—please scan the QR code to sign up or contact Formation and Mission Team for help at formation-mission@hallam-diocese.com or 0114 256 6410



St Wilfrid's Centre's Christmas Fayre - November 6th 5-7pm

With only just under a week to go to our next popular event, the Christmas Fayre, clients and staff are busy finishing the handmade goods to sell. With plenty of choice, come along and buy some unique hand-crafted Christmas presents knowing that all the money raised will go to a very good cause.

St Wilfrid's Centre's 2024 Christmas Card - NOW ON SALE!

To buy cards and other items before they sell out, come to our CHRISTMAS FAYRE or please visit our online shop: <https://www.stwilfridscentre.org/online-shop>



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

The lucky winner for last Saturday's draw was Stella House, bonus ball number 13.

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

Sacred Heart School Open Days

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



Notices

Praying with St Dominic, 1st – 3rd November 2024

This retreat explores the life and faith of St Dominic de Guzman, founder of the Order of Preachers (the Dominicans), whose objective was to continue safeguarding the Catholic faith. His Marian devotion and the place of the rosary in Christian prayer will be a special focus of this retreat preached by Fr Lawrence Lew, OP. For more information and to register, click here <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/praying-with-saint-dominic/>

Retreat at St Vincent's Mission Hub Sheffield, on Saturday 9 November, offers young adults (aged 16-35 or Year 11+) from across Hallam Diocese and beyond, the opportunity to come together and explore what it means to be in relationship with God. Tickets can be purchased from <https://www.youth2000.org/events/sheffield2024>.

Be Still and Know that I am God, 21st – 24th November 2024

Join Fr Roger Dawson, SJ, for this retreat exploring the human condition with practices common to mindfulness and to Christian contemplative prayer. The retreat will seek to reclaim those practices that share common ground with the tradition of apophatic prayer and theology rooted in the monastic and the Eastern Orthodox traditions. For more information and to register: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/be-still-and-know-that-i-am-god/>

One month to stop assisted suicide!

The most vulnerable in our society are at risk. MPs will vote on whether to introduce an extreme assisted suicide law on the 29th of November. To protect the vulnerable from this radical law change, contact your MP and ask them to vote NO. Take action now - it only takes 30 seconds to contact your MP using the tool here: www.righttolife.org.uk/mpcontactnow

The Bishops of England and Wales are calling on Catholics to unite in prayer and compassionate action to oppose assisted suicide. This is to protect the life and dignity of all persons against legislation that would make people more vulnerable.

Spiritual Bouquet

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children and the Knights of St. Columbus are uniting in prayer for an end to the culture of death and for a flourishing of the culture of life. Let Life Flourish: A Spiritual Bouquet is a rallying call to all people of good will to pray with renewed faith for the protection of life from conception until natural death. During November, the SPUC and Knights of St Columbus ask you to pray for the work of SPUC and the KSC in defending the sanctity of life.

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 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 2343580 or text SVP on 07342362226.

Notre Dame High School Sixth Form Open Morning

Notre Dame High School in Sheffield has an upcoming Sixth Form Open Morning for any students in our parish, on Saturday 16th of November 2024 from 10.00 am - 12.00 noon. Please see the poster on the noticeboard at the back of the church for further information.

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.

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.**

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, 7th November 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**

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

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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 prayer for the Holy 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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