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PARISH BULLETIN OF SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH

Mass Information w/c 23rd March 2025



3rd Sunday of Lent

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 22nd March 2025 - Confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10-11am

Rosary at 6pm before the 6:30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 23rd March - 3rd Sunday of Lent - 11:00 am Mass - Chris and Sophie (Thanksgiving)

Stations of the Cross at 6pm

Monday 24th March - No Mass

Tuesday 25th March - No Mass - Annunciation of the Lord

Wednesday 26th March - **No Mass**

Thursday 27th March - No Mass

Friday 28th March - 10.00 am Mass - Tim Reider and Mary Warwick (RIP)

Saturday 29th March - Morning Prayer of the Church - 10.30 am

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 see the bulletin or noticeboard for confessions over Lent or you can 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 23rd March 2025

For the Sick:

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

Pip Carrington, Wesley, Sonia Holland, Robert Ainsworth, Ann Saunders, Leah, Emma, Paige, Loretta Carr, Catherine Bartlett, Babs Parker, John McConnon & Pam Williams

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:

Margaret Standiland, Gordon French, Angela Patricia Shaw, Alison, Mary Doran & Peter Long

May they rest in peace.

Offertory Collections

Offertory Baskets

15th & 16th March - £375.36

Tap to Donate

15th & 16th March - £205.00

The retiring collection in aid of the CAFOD Family Fast Day raised £151.88

The monthly standing order donations for Jan and Feb 2025 was £2,116.00.

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

If you would prefer to donate by standing order, the Parish bank details are:

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

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.

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.

Offertory Envelope Boxes

For parishioners who donate via the Offertory envelopes, your new boxes commencing the 6th of April 2025 are now available to collect from the back of the church. Thank you.

Lenten Activities 2025

Praying Together

Saturday Confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: 10-11 am
 22nd March, 5th & 19th April
 Morning Prayer of the Church at 10.30 am Saturdays 29th March & 12th April
 Parish Lenten Confessions – Monday 14th April at 6pm.
 (Confession also available on request)
 Saturdays at 6 pm - Rosary
 Saturday Vigil Mass - 6.30 pm
 Sunday Mass - 11.00 am
 Sundays at 6 pm - Stations of the Cross
 Weekday Masses - Wednesday & Friday - 10.00 am (Please note: No Mass on Wed 26th March)
 Parish Lenten Retreat - please see further details towards the bottom of the bulletin

Alms Giving

Throughout Lent we will have the 'Ring of Coins' weekly bucket collection at the end of weekend Masses.
 Monies raised will go towards our Lenten Charities, further details will be published in a future bulletin.

Easter Craft Stall

All proceeds will go to the Parish Funds.

This is the last weekend for the Easter craft stall.

If you have any items that you would like to donate to the stall there is a box at the back of church to put them in.

The stall will be in the church porch after this weekend's masses. Please feel free to browse. There will also be a "pick the brick" raffle with prizes of £25, £15 and £10.

Please see the poster below. If you have any questions please chat to Annette Murray after the Saturday Vigil Mass or email info@sacredheartsheffield.co.uk

LENT FUNDRAISER FOR RUSTENBURG

Throughout Lent, Sr Maire will be having gift stalls to raise funds for an orphanage and basic health care training in the Diocese of Rustenburg South Africa where she worked for many years. After Sunday Mass, there will be a stall in the Parish Hall. There will also be a stall in the Church porch on some Saturdays after Mass. Donations of cosmetics/toiletries, books/CDs, jewellery, Bric a brac will be very welcome. Just bring them along to the stall.



The Big Lent Walk 2025

You may have seen that CAFOD are running their big Lent Walk again to raise funds but also to give a focus during Lent. If you were thinking of signing up, our parishioner Matt Davis has set-up a Parish team that you can join. This pulls together the fundraising totals for everyone part of the Sacred Heart.

If you would like to join the team, please click on the link below:

<https://parishes.walk.cafod.org.uk/teams/sacred-heart-sheffield-parish-cafod-big-lent-walk>

Youth Lenten Lectio

Saturday 29th March 3pm - 4pm
Venue - St. Marie's Catholic Cathedral
Please see the poster below and on the church noticeboards.



Christian Life Community

"Christian Life Community (CLC) is for people who want to understand more deeply how God is at work in their everyday lives. We meet regularly in small (house) groups to pray and share, supporting one another through the ups and downs of ordinary life. In listening to one another we grow to understand ourselves, deepen our relationship with God and discover more clearly how each one of us is uniquely called to respond to God's love."

CLC is a way of life inspired by the spirituality of St Ignatius. We embrace this way of life as a means of enabling us to bring together our faith and our lives so that we are aware of God working in every aspect of them. Some of us come to CLC without any prior experience of Ignatian spirituality; others come after discovering Ignatian spirituality in various ways, such as weeks of guided prayer or retreats.

There are three main aspects of CLC:

- Living Prayer – making time, preferably daily, to spend time in prayer. This can be as little as 5 or 10 minutes.
- Sharing Community – in the CLC meetings each person shares how God has been and is at work for them. We are a spiritual family and support each other and encourage perseverance in deepening in our union with God.
- Loving Service – we are companions of Christ in the mission to establish God wherever we live and work.

<https://clcew.org.uk/home-page/about-clc/>

We are looking to establish a Christian Life Community locally, currently we have three interested people and are looking for another 2 or 3 to make a group. Please contact Petra Klompenhouwer via youthshc@gmail.com if you want to know more and/or want to join.



Church Cleaning Volunteers

The next regular monthly church clean will take place on Saturday 29th March at 9.00 am (Please note the new start time)

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 an hour that would be great. If you could 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.



Save The Date

Hillsborough Churches Fun Day Saturday 10th May.

As you know each year Hillsborough Churches host a fun day in Hillsborough Park. This year the plan is for the fun day to take place on the afternoon of Saturday 10th May. As usual it will be fun filled with an opportunity to try out your circus skills, get a glitter tattoo and tea and cake 😊.

We are looking for volunteers to help with this and more broadly lots of opportunities to volunteer. Further details regarding the event will follow shortly.



The lucky winner for last Saturday's draw was Jecintha Uwaoma, bonus ball number 28.

Many thanks to everyone for your support.

Good Luck for this Saturday.

Further Notices

A Holy Hour For Life (Adoration)

Mother of God Church, Abbeydale Road, S7 1DX. Last Saturday of the month after the 10am Mass.

Pangolins

The Pangolins are a group of men in the parish that help out, doing things like stewarding and general help in the parish. The main thing is encouraging a social get together on the **first** Friday of every month at the Pangolin bar on Middlewood Road, by the Hillsborough Park tram stop. There's usually someone there from 3.30 until 6pm so just come along & join in. A great opportunity to grow the social side of our parish. If you need any information see Malc on Saturday or Darren or

Conor on Sunday after mass.

Pangolettes

Following on from above we also have the Pangolettes, a group of ladies in the parish who also meet at the Pangolin bar on the **second** Friday of every month from around 4pm. If you are interested in joining us please see Ann on Saturday or Barbara on Sunday after mass.

40 Days for Life

From 5th March, Sheffield's 40 Days for Life campaign invites you to join other Christians in praying and fasting for an end to abortion in our community. Come and join us to peacefully witness for the sanctity of human life. If you'd like to join, please sign up at www.40daysforlife.com/en/broomhall or call Rachel 07368297872 or Andrew 07943893945. Hurt by Abortion? Abortion impacts families and the wider community. Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a life-affirming charity that offers a healing ministry to anyone hurt by abortion. Please consider supporting the work of Rachel's Vineyard UK by donating to Rachel's Vineyard Birmingham, Sort Code: 30-96-28, Account No: 2467 4268.

St Wilfrid's Centre Spring Grand Draw Raffle Tickets NOW ON SALE

If you are an individual, organisation or business and would like to sell or buy our raffle tickets, please contact Bev Kershaw on 0114 2555720. Every ticket sold will help us provide essential services for our clients. The full list of amazing prizes can be found on our website.

<https://www.stwilfridscentre.org/>

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.

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.**

Free online Wellbeing Course for Women

Starting 24th April Mondays 6.30 - 7.30 online with Carola

This is a new course which follows on from wellbeing course 1, please join us if you would like to continue or start your journey to improve your wellbeing.

Join us to explore;

- Developing and promoting self esteem
- Focussing on your positives and developing your resilience.
- Challenging self limiting beliefs
- Adopting a mindset of self care and compassion.
- Improve sleep and nutrition
- How to be more assertive and improve communication.

Come and join us for these relaxed, friendly and supportive sessions!

For more information and to book in please contact

Janet Kent on 07927657462 or

email jkent@hallam-diocese.com

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.

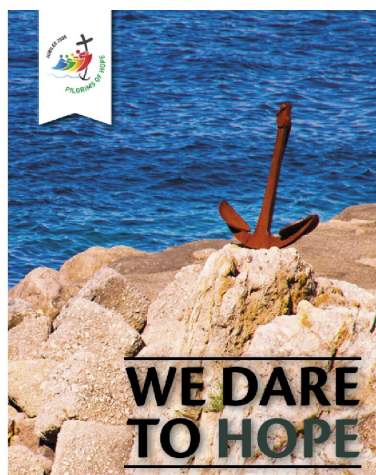
If you would like to make any donation towards the cost of maintaining the church please either pass it directly to Fr Michael or put it in the Offertory basket at Mass. Please mark any donations **'For The Church Maintenance Fund'** - please include your name and address so we can claim Gift Aid. You 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](#)

Parish Lenten Retreat Online

Will continue on the 27th of March



*"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure"
(Hebrews 6:19)*

**Sacred Heart Hillsborough Parish
Lenten Retreat**

**ONLINE Thursday Evening 7.30-8.30pm
6, 13, 27 March & 3 April 2025**

Booklets can be found on the [Hallam Diocese Website](#)

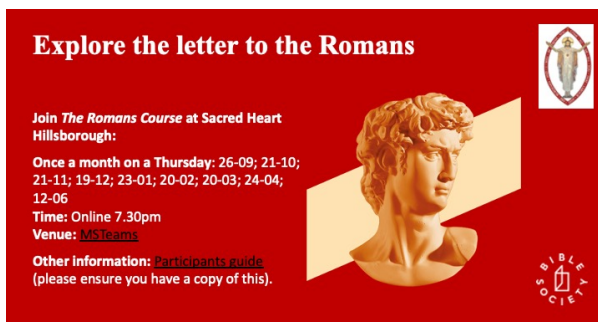
20 March 2025 we will continue our exploration of the Letter to the Romans

Meeting link: [Parish Prayer Meeting](#) | [Microsoft Teams](#) | [Meetup-Join](#)

You can download a copy of the booklet "We dare to hope" by clicking on the link below:

<https://hallam-diocese.com/we-dare-to-hope-lent-resource/>

**Explore the letter to the Romans
The next online meeting is
Thursday 24th of April 2025
Please see below for further details**



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 March is dedicated to 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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