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PARISH BULLETIN OF SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH

Mass Information 1st - 8th November 2025
All Saints

**We warmly welcome Fr Paul O'Hara
to Sacred Heart**

We are delighted to welcome Fr Paul to our parish family. We know there are many new faces to learn. We encourage everyone to introduce yourselves and make him feel at home. We pray for the Holy Spirit to guide and strengthen our new parish priest as he begins his ministry with us.

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 1st November- Vigil Mass: 6.30pm (Rosary at 6pm) - People of the Parish

Sunday 2nd November - 11am Mass - Tom & Bridie Kinsella and Brian & Maura Moore

Monday 3rd November - 10am Mass

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

Tuesday 4th November - No Mass - St Charles Borromeo

Wednesday 5th November - No Mass

Thursday 6th November - No Mass

Friday 7th November - No Mass - St Willibrord

Saturday 8th November - No AM Mass

Mass for the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

There will be a mass for the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls) on Monday the 3rd of November at 10am. The Mass will conclude with an optional short service of blessing in the Memorial Garden weather-permitting otherwise it will take place in the church.

Rosary

We recite the Rosary at 6pm every Saturday, before the Vigil Mass. Each person brings their own personal intentions and we also pray for Peace. We would like to refresh this a little and will be devoting each month to a specific intention, starting in November with Deceased Relatives and Friends. The theme will change each month and we would like to encourage you to write out your intentions and place them in a box which will be at the back of church. We will pray for these intentions during the Saturday Rosary. Please, come along and join us and let us say this powerful prayer together.

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:

Further details to follow

Baptism:

Parents and guardians are now invited to enquire about the baptism of their child/children.
The time slots can be arranged on Saturdays & Sundays

Prayer Intentions

For the Sick:

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

*Wesley, Sonia Holland, Robert Ainsworth, Ann Saunders, Leah, Emma, Paige,
Catherine Bartlett, Babs Parker, Roisin Hartley & Marilyn White*

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, Violet Wotton, Marie Krahn & Tim Sheehan

May they rest in peace.

Collections

25th & 26th October

Baskets:

Offertory - £538.47

Tap to Donate:

Offertory - £85.00

Sick & Retired Clergy Fund - £5.00

Church Maintenance - £10.00

The total retiring collection for World Mission Sunday raised £114.73

The average monthly standing order donations 1 Jan - 30 Sep was £2,050.60.

"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

In whatever way you support and donate, thank you very much 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. If you would like further information, please email info@sacredheartsheffield.co.uk

Fr Michael's Farewell Celebration Thank you

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped make Fr Michael's leaving celebration such a wonderful occasion. Your kindness, support and presence made it a truly special farewell.

We are especially grateful to all who brought along such a delicious variety of food to share - it was a real feast and a lovely reflection of the warmth and diversity of our parish community.

Thank you so much to all who contributed to Fr Michael's leaving gifts and for all helping to give him a joyful and memorable send off.

Here are some photos of the celebration



✚ Farewell Message Book for Fr Michael 🙏

There is a book at the front of the church for anyone who would like to write a message to Fr Michael.

Please take a moment after Mass to share a note of appreciation, a memory, good wishes or a prayer for him.

Your kind words and prayers will be a cherished keepsake for him from his Sacred Heart parishioners.

To give everyone more time to write a message, the book will be in church until the end of November.

Mass Books

As you are aware, there was a new Lectionary introduced last year at the beginning of Advent and we purchased 2 sets of Mass Books to comply with the new wording in Year C. In a few weeks time, we return to Year A. In 2018, with the help of donations from many parishioners, we raised to funds to buy Mass Books. The following year we were given a single donation of £800 to buy a set of Mass Books. Then Covid struck and we weren't allowed to use books for well over a year. We purchased subsequent copies as the years changed. We now find ourselves with 4 sets of Mass Books which have barely been used but which have slightly different wording from the new rite. It would seem extremely wasteful and profligate to just discard these copies - all of which have just been used for one year. Though the order of the wording is different, the meaning is exactly the same. Therefore it has been decided to use the books we have and maybe we will focus more on listening to the readings rather than following them word for word on the page. The Order of the Mass is exactly the same. For any parishioners who are deaf or hard of hearing you may prefer to use the App Universalis or order your own copy of the Missal with the current translation from CTS books.



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.

The names from the envelopes will be remembered as we recite the 6pm Rosary at the Vigil Mass.

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

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

The envelopes can be placed in the offertory baskets.

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



Operation Christmas Child

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 a leaflet and pre-printed shoebox from the back of church [or you can pack and cover an ordinary shoebox].

Please return your gift-filled box to church on Sunday 9 November if possible and 16 November at the latest.

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



Church Cleaning Volunteers

The next regular monthly church clean will take on Saturday 8th November at 9.00 am
The church cleaning squad get together once a month on a Saturday, **but we need more volunteers.** With a good-sized team, the church is spick and span in just over an hour. Your help - even for a short while will make a big difference. Many hands make light work, and it is always a lovely chance to get to know people. If you have your own broom, mop, and bucket it helps ... but not essential if you don't have one.

Christmas Decorations in Church

Please join us on **Saturday the 13th of December at 9am** to put up the Christmas decorations in the church. This is always a joyful occasion and an opportunity to prepare together for the celebration of Christ's birth.

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

AROUND THE PARISH AND BEYOND

Here are a few more notices of events happening this month. Please visit the Sacred Heart Church website for the Sacred Heart Dates to Remember and further notices in and around the Parish or click on the links: <https://www.sacredheartsheffield.co.uk/latest-news/key-dates-for-the-year/> <https://www.sacredheartsheffield.co.uk/latest-news/around-the-parish-and-beyond>



Diocese of Hallam



Jubilee of Volunteers

You are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving for All Volunteers
Saturday 15 November 2025 at 11am
at Immaculate Conception Church, Rotherham. S65 3BA
with principle celebrant Right Rev. Ralph Heskett, Bishop of Hallam
The National Jubilee Icon will be on display.
Refreshments will be served after Mass

Service of Love and Prayers for Survivors of Abuse

Please see the details below:



Sacred Heart RC Church, Hillsborough 'Journey in Faith' Programme for Adults 2025-26

Whether you want to deepen the faith you already have, are exploring your faith for the first time, or are just curious, come and join our explorer's programme, "The Catholic Faith Explained." Those who wish can be baptised or be received into the Church or Confirmed at the Easter Vigil.

We will be following the SYCAMORE programme: The Catholic Faith Explained, which is supported by a book by Fr Stephen Wang and by linked 30-minute videos on YouTube if you prefer that format (www.sycamore.fm/videos). Each Chapter sub-heading has a 'Sycamore Short' video associated with it (www.youtube.com/c/SycamoreSeek). Deacon Tony will order copies of the book for participants. Those who wish can make a suggested donation of £15.00.

We will have evening discussion sessions on the Monday evenings shown below, from 7pm till 8.30pm, in the downstairs of the Presbytery next to the Church. Give Deacon Tony or Peter Holland your email and mobile number for a WhatsApp Group.

If you can't make every session because of work or family commitments please don't be concerned; you can keep up with the programme using the book and the on-line videos.

Monday Dates	Session Titles	Linked Chapter(s)
10 November	Who is Jesus	4
24 November	The Holy Spirit and the Church	5
8 December	The Bible	6
15 December	Faith and Prayer	7 & 8
5 January	Finding True Freedom and the Meaning of Love	9 & 10
19 January	The Heart of Christianity/Creation, Fall and Redemption	11,12
26 January	The Community of the Church/The Sacraments	13 & 14
9 February	The Holy Eucharist	15
23 February	Forgiveness, Confession and Healing	16
9 March	Single life, marriage, ordination, consecration	17
23 March	Social Teaching of the Church	17 & 18

30 March	The Adventure of Prayer & The Hope of Heaven	19 & 20
Sat 4 April	Easter Vigil	

✨ **CHRISTMAS CRAFT STALL – DONATIONS WANTED!** ✨

Sacred Heart Church, Hillsborough

Help us make this year's Christmas Craft Stall merry and bright! We're collecting Christmas-themed items and gifts to sell at our festive stall.

🎄 We're looking for:

- Handmade and festive crafts
- Christmas decorations and ornaments
- Seasonal gifts and gift sets
- Jewellery (new or handmade)
- Wrapping paper, ribbons, bows and cards
- Home-baked treats (nearer the date)

🌿 Your donations will help support our parish fundraising and bring festive cheer to our community.

📍 Drop-off point: A box for donations will be available at the back of the church.

Deadline for donations: 23rd November.

🎁 **Thank you for your kindness, creativity, and generosity this Christmas season!** 🎄



The lucky winner for last Saturday's draw was the family Bryson, bonus ball number 55.

Many thanks to everyone for your support.

Good Luck for this Saturday.



Sacred Heart Prayer Meeting

The next weekly parish prayer meeting is on Sunday 2nd November 2025. The details are as below:

19:30 - 20:30 (GMT)

Occurs every Sunday until 30/09

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

We will cycle around:

Rosary

Lectio

Evening Prayer this year.

We hope you can join us.

The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls

Pray the Holy Rosary

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