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PARISH BULLETIN OF SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH

Mass Information 22nd - 29th November 2025

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 22nd November- Vigil Mass: 6.30pm (Rosary at 6pm) - People of the Parish
Sunday 23rd November - 11am Mass - Hilario Ponce, Leona Urubio and Arsenia Mallari R.I.P
Monday 24th November - No Mass - St Andrew Dung-Lac and his Companions
Tuesday 25th November - No Mass - St Catherine of Alexandria
Wednesday 26th November - Funeral Mass 1pm: Harold Jackson R.I.P
(No 10am Mass)
Thursday 27th November - No Mass
Friday 28th November - 10am Mass - For comfort and peace for Maureen Kinsella who is terminally ill
Saturday 29th November - No AM Mass - Blessed Virgin Mary

Death & Condolences

Our parishioner Harold Jackson sadly passed away on the 5th of November. His funeral will be held here at Sacred Heart Church on Wednesday the 26th of November at 1pm, followed by committal at Grenoside Crematorium, South Chapel at 2.30pm. All are warmly invited to join the family afterwards at Dam House on Mushroom Lane.

We offer our prayers for the repose of his soul and comfort for his family. May he rest in eternal peace and may perpetual light shine upon him. Let us honour his memory by keeping him in our thoughts and prayers.

Getting in touch

If your message relates specifically to Fr Paul - such as personal or pastoral matters please email him directly. For all other parish enquiries - please contact the Parish Office. Both email addresses can be found at the top of the bulletin.

This helps us to make sure your message reaches the right place quickly. Thank you.

Parish Bulletin Notices

If you have any **important** notices for the parish bulletin, please email them to the parish office by **Wednesday at the latest.**

The bulletin is printed and sent out electronically on a **Thursday**, so late submissions may not be included.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Important Health and Safety Notice

Please be aware that the lighting on the pathway between the school and church is not working. This is being replaced on the 3rd of December so please take care from now until then. Thank you.

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.

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. 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.

Baptism registration forms are available to pick up from the back of the church.

Please hand your completed form to Fr Paul.

Prayer Intentions

For the Sick:

Please 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 Harold Jackson, all who have died recently, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

*Edward Nicholson, Aubrey McNeelance, Christine Hodgetts, Christopher Strike,
Kevin Williams, Canon Francis Balment, Patricia Davis & Norma Goodhand*

May they rest in peace.

Collections

15th & 16th November

Baskets:

Offertory - £325.64

Tap to Donate:

Offertory - £115.00

Church Maintenance - £5.00

Sick & Retired Clergy Fund - £50.00

The average value of monthly standing orders Jan - Oct 2025 was £2,133.10.

"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.

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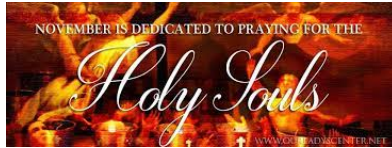
If you are a taxpayer, you can increase your donations to Sacred Heart by 25%, simply by completing a Gift Aid Declaration (GAD). You only need to do this once. If you would like further information, please email info@sacredheartsheffield.co.uk

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 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'.



Christmas Decorations in Church

Please join us on **Saturday the 13th of December at 9am** to put up the Christmas decorations in the church... and have a mince pie or two. 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>

Celebrating St Cecilia, the Patron Saint of Music

This weekend, St Marie's Cathedral will be celebrating St Cecilia through music! On Saturday 22nd of November, the feast day of St Cecilia, there will be a short concert at 11.00am, sung Mass at 12.30pm, and then a Big Sing and Organ Concert starting at 2.30pm, to which everyone is very welcome. On Sunday 23 November, there will also be a special concert by Sheffield Chamber Choir; tickets will be £10 (£5 concessions) on the door. Please see the poster on the church noticeboard for more information.

Service of Love and Prayers for Survivors of Abuse

A reminder that this service is taking place on Wednesday 26th November at St. Theresa's Sheffield at 7.00pm.

Please remember the service is open to all who wish to attend.

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)
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.

The craft stall will be in the church porch on Saturday 29th & Sunday the 30th of November.

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



The Sacrament of Confirmation 2026

We would like to invite young people in Year 9 and above (13/14 to 18 years old) who want to complete their membership of the church to come forward. We have a team of Catechists to help you prepare for the sacrament of Confirmation.

If you wish to prepare for Confirmation this must be your choice. Being confirmed means that you are taking on your own growth in faith. Confirmation is a witness to your belief in Christ and His church. It is an important step so please do discuss this with your parents or guardians. The final decision must be yours and entered into freely. It may be that you do not feel ready to take this step yet. If so, do not worry.

There will be opportunities to be confirmed in the future. There is an online application form to complete if you would like to be confirmed which can be found on the parish website and in the newsletter. Or contact youthsch@gmail.com for a link. Please note a parent or guardian should complete the application for you.

The preparation sessions will be in the Parish Hall and take place about once a month see the attached programme for the full schedule. You are expected to commit to the preparation and engage with each other and the catechists during the sessions. If you are unable to attend you or your parent/guardian will inform the catechists prior to your absence.

We would like to invite parents/guardians to an information session on Wednesday 7 January 2026 7pm to 8pm to hear about the programme you will follow, meet some of the Catechists and ask any questions they might have. This will be online and they will be sent a link nearer the time.

Copies of the invitation letter, which includes an overview of dates are also at the back of the church.

Candidates will be officially enrolled Sunday 8 March 2026 at the 11am Mass.
A sending forth Mass with Candidates takes place on Saturday 2 May 2026 at 6.30pm.
Confirmation by Bishop Ralph will take place on Saturday 16 May 2026 during the Vigil Mass at 6.30pm.

Registration closes on Friday 16 January 2026.

With God's blessing and best wishes,

Petra & The Confirmation Team

Date & time	Topics
Wed 7 Jan 26 7-8pm	Parents information session - online
Sat 24 Jan 26 1-4pm	1. What is confirmation? 2. Why do you want to be Confirmed? 3. Ground rules and Expectations 4. Fruits of the Holy Spirit 1 5. Why did Jesus have to die - power of the Eucharist
Sat 7 March 26 1-4pm	1. Living out your Faith - What makes us Church? 2. Commitment to the Church 3. Exploring the Church in Church This will be with altar servers and other young people at secondary school in the parish.
Sun 8 March 11am	Enrollment at Youth Mass
Sat 21 March 26 1-4pm	1. Living out your Faith - meeting people from the parish 2. Fruits of the Holy Spirit 2 3. Choosing a saint
Sat 2 May 26 1-4pm	1. The power of talking to God and walking with Jesus (prayer) - 2. Fruits of the Holy Spirit 3

	3. Writing Bidding Prayers 4. Sacrament of Reconciliation
Sat 2 May 6.30pm	Saturday 6.30pm Sending Forth Mass
Sat 16 May 6.30pm	Confirmation Mass Practice in the afternoon of the same day (3pm)

BEYOND THE RUBBLE: STEPS OF HOPE Friday 28th November from 12.30 - 2pm at Christ Church, Pitsmoor As Advent approaches young dancers from Bethlehem are in Sheffield to celebrate Palestinian culture and raise money to support the Alrowwad Cultural Centre as well as trauma care and education for children in Gaza organised by the Amos Trust. There will also be a taster of Palestinian food over this lunch time event! Booking is essential for catering purposes and doors open at midday. There is no charge but donations requested for the Amos Trust's Christmas Appeal. Find out more about this event [HERE](#) Book your free place [HERE](#)

Praying with Christians in the Holy Land Please join us, Kairos Sheffield, a local Christian group that gathers together online at 8am - 8.20am each Thursday to pray the prayers written by Palestinian Christians for their Thursday Communion service in Jerusalem. For more information and to register email Richard and Christine Watts at richardandchristine@gmail.com.

St. Wilfrid's Carol Service - 17th December and Reverse Advent Calendar

We will be having a Carol Concert on the 17th December at Mother of God Church, Abbeydale Road on the 17th December from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. All are welcome to attend. There will be refreshments in the hall after the service as well as a chance to purchase handcrafted Christmas goods made at the Centre. All purchases will be **cash only**. Sorry for any inconvenience. Also, we currently have our Reverse Advent Calendar on our website and a PDF to download. Each day from December 1st to the 25th is marked with easy-to-get items or small donations of money for you to add to a box or a bag. Once completed please drop off your collection after the 5th January at the Centre. Each item donated will help towards our work supporting vulnerable adults in our community.

Sacred Heart School Christmas Fair Friday 28th November from 2.30pm





The lucky winner for last Saturday's draw was Mike & Mary Nadin, bonus ball number 25.

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 23rd 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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