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PARISH BULLETIN OF SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH

Mass Information 3rd - 10th January 2026 2nd Sunday of the Nativity

Mass Times & Intentions

First Saturday 3rd January - 10am Mass - Most Holy Name of Jesus - Angela & Tony Ellis

Saturday 3rd January - Vigil Mass: 6.30pm (Rosary at 6pm) - People of the Parish

Rosary Dedication for January will be for Vocations
Please put any intention in the Rosary Box at the back of church

Sunday 4th January - 11am Mass - Loretta Carr R.I.P

Monday 5th January - No Mass

Tuesday 6th January - The Epiphany of the Lord: 10am Mass - Joel Fernandes Snr
and **6pm Mass** - For the Beloved Deceased of this Parish

Wednesday 7th January - 10am Mass - St Raymond of Penyafort - Mena Fernandes

Thursday 8th January - 10am Mass - John Fernandes (Birthday)

Friday 9th January - 10am Mass - Priest's Own Intention

Saturday 10th January - No AM Mass

A very happy and peaceful New Year to everyone.

Saint Michael Prayer

Saint Michael the Archangel,
defend us in our daily battle;
be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do thou,
O Prince of the heavenly host,
by the power of God,
thrust down into Hell, Satan
and all the other evil spirits,

who prowl throughout the world
seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.



Congratulations to Conall Laming who will be baptised in our parish this weekend.

Wishing you many blessings on this sacred occasion.

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.

No Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy is taking a break over Christmas.

We'll be back in touch soon with all the dates for Children's Liturgy running in the New Year.

Confessions:

Fr Paul will be available to hear confessions by requesting an appointment by phone or emailing the parish office.

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, Joan Wilkinson & Craig Moss*

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:

*Fr Tony Battle, Josie Greaves, Spiridion Mizzi, Leslie Longden, Teresa Jackson, Mai Tierney,
Anne Leach, Vincent Glennon, Margaret Whiston & John Guest*

May they rest in peace.



Christmas Offertory Collection - Gratitude

This is to express my profound gratitude to all parishioners and our visitors for the generous Christmas offertory collections and all the cards and kind gifts.

***May God who loves a cheerful giver (2 Corinthians 9:7) reward you abundantly.
God bless,
Fr Paul***

Collections for the weekend 27th & 28th December 2025

Church Maintenance - £15.00
Sick & retired Clergy Fund - £10.00

The average value of monthly standing orders Jan - Nov 2025 was £2,117.00

"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

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

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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

St Vincent de Paul (SVP)

If you or someone you know is in need of support please contact the **SVP** by text or by calling and leaving a message on 07342 362226 and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

**AROUND THE PARISH
AND BEYOND**

Here are some 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>



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.

The next session will be held on the 5th of January 2026. Please click on the link for further details: <https://www.sacredheartsheffield.co.uk/journey-in-faith-rcia/journey-in-faith-programme/>



Church Decorations & Cleaning

Can you spare a little time on **Saturday, 10th January from 10:00am?** The volunteer cleaning squad are taking down the Christmas trees and decorations and cleaning the church as well (much needed after the heavy footfall over Christmas) and some extra pairs of hands would be hugely appreciated. If you could bring your own broom, mop, and bucket it helps but not essential if you don't have one!

Any help, even for a short time, would be very much appreciated. Thank you.

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



The Sacrament of Confirmation 2026

Registration closes on Friday 16th January 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.

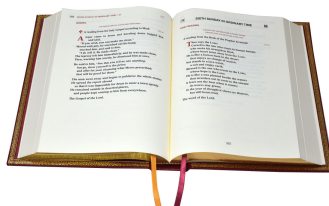
Candidates will be officially enrolled Sunday 8 March 2026 at the 11am Mass.
A sending forth Mass with Candidates takes place on Saturday 2 May 2026 at 6.30pm.
Confirmation by Bishop Ralph will take place on Saturday 16 May 2026 during the Vigil Mass at 6.30pm.

Please click on the link below for further information:
<https://www.sacredheartsheffield.co.uk/sacraments/confirmation/>

Here is a link to the Registration form: <https://forms.gle/J4k4XLsYFERhoDHn7>
Registration closes on Friday 16 January 2026.

With God's blessing and best wishes,

Petra & The Confirmation Team



Readers: Mark Your Calendars for Word of God Sunday

At our Masses on Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th January 2026 we will celebrate 'Word of God Sunday', a day dedicated to the gift of Scripture, and its role in our life and liturgy. We will be taking

this opportunity to express our gratitude to and re-commission our dedicated Readers of the Word.

Aspiring new and current Readers are invited to a morning of formation and reflection on Saturday, January 24th | 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM in the Parish Hall & Church. We welcome new volunteers to join this essential ministry.

If you feel called to proclaim the Word of God, please speak to Deacon Tony, Malcolm Fleet at the Saturday Vigil or Darren McDonnell at Sunday Mass and attend the formation morning on Saturday, January 24th.



The lucky winner for last Saturday's draw was Louis Farrington, bonus ball number 21.

Many thanks to everyone for your support.

Good Luck for this Saturday.



Sacred Heart Prayer Meeting

Please note: There will be no prayer meeting on the 4th of January.

Further details to follow shortly.

The month of January is dedicated to The Holy Name of Jesus

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