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PARISH BULLETIN OF
SACRED HEART
CATHOLIC CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH

Mass Information 21st - 28th March 2026



5th Sunday of Lent

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 21st March - Rosary at 6pm

The Rosary Dedication for March will be for Peace.
Please put any intention in the Rosary Box at the back of church

Saturday 21st March - Vigil Mass: 6.30pm - Tony Corrigan (Thanksgiving)

Sunday 22nd March- 11am Mass - People of the Parish

Sundays at 6pm - Stations of the Cross

Monday 23rd March - No Mass - St Turibius of Mogrovejo

Tuesday 24th March- 10am Mass - Priest's Own Intention

Wednesday 25th March - 10am Mass - The Annunciation of the Lord
Dennis Cronin R.I.P

Thursday 26th March - 10am Mass in the Weekday Chapel - Ann Saunders

Friday 27th March - 10am Mass - Intentions for the souls of Sio Galloso, David Short,
and Jean Short R.I.P

Saturday 28th March- No AM Mass

Mass Intentions

Saturday 28th March - People of the Parish

Sunday 29th March - For Healing

If you would like to have a Mass offered for a loved one or a special intention, forms are available at the back of the church. Please feel free to take one, complete it, and return it Fr. Paul. Thank you.

Death and Condolences

Robert Horsfield sadly passed away on the 21st of February 2026.

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 in our prayers. Amen.

A Little Celebration

Our Saturday Vigil Mass congregation have long enjoyed accompaniment on the organ by Tony Corrigan. We have been very fortunate to have him playing for so many years and now Tony has decided to retire. We will have a little celebration to show our appreciation after evening Mass this Saturday, 21st March 2026.

Please come along and join us!

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.

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:

Fr Paul will be available to hear confessions either before or after the weekday masses or by requesting an appointment by phone or email.

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 Robert Horsfield, all who have died recently, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Bishop Kevin Dunn, Margaret Standiland, Gordon French & Angela Patricia Shaw

May they rest in peace.

Collections

Offertory Baskets:

7th - 15th March -£795.01

Tap to Donate:

14th & 15th March - TBC

The average monthly value of standing orders for Jan and Feb was £2,046.

The retiring collections for Hallam Support for Life raised £130.07.

The Ring of Coins Collection for Weeks 3 & 4 was £39.58.

"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

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**.

St Vincent de Paul (SVP)

If you or someone you know is in need of support please contact the **SVP** by text on **07342 362226**

or by calling the Presbytery on 0114 2343580 and leaving a message and someone from the SVP will get back to you as soon as possible.

AROUND THE PARISH AND BEYOND

Here are some notices of events happening in and around the parish. Please visit the Sacred Heart Church website for the Sacred Heart Dates to Remember and further notices, 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>

LENTEN ACTIVITIES 2026

Praying Together

Confessions are available before and after weekday Masses and
Saturdays 10.30am to 11am.

Confession also available on request by emailing or phoning Fr Paul to arrange.

Saturdays at 6 pm - Rosary

Please put any intention in the Rosary Box at the back of church

Saturday Vigil Mass - 6.30 pm

Sunday Mass - 11.00 am

Sundays at 6 pm - Stations of the Cross

Weekday Masses - As in the bulletin - 10.00 am

Alms Giving

'Ring of Coins' - weekly bucket collection at the end of weekend Masses.

Monies raised will go towards the Mary's Meals Charity,
supporting their work in providing school meals for children in need around the world.

Individual Prayers

The Cross will be used to stick on intentions using post it notes. Please write down your own intentions on the post it notes and help us to cover the Cross. These intentions to be added as a general intercession in the Bidding Prayers.

The Stations of the Cross

Each Sunday evening during Lent there will be an opportunity to follow the Stations of the Cross at 6pm in Church. This is a most appropriate way to help us on our journey through Lent reminding us of Christ's suffering and death on the cross.

Parish Lenten Retreat - Online

Online Sundays at 19:30 - 20:30 - Parish Prayer Meeting - We Dare to Ask
(Please see towards the bottom of the bulletin for further information)

LENTEN DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Everything is connected – how do we care for our common home?

At St Vincent's Church, 40 Pickmere Road, Crookes, Sheffield, S10 1GY

Saturday 21 March, 11:00am-3:00pm. Tea/ coffee from 10:30am

Speakers:

Bishop John Arnold, Bishop of Salford, spokesperson for the Bishops Conference on the Environment, and President of Pax Christi.
Dr. Maria Exall, Honorary Fellow at the Centre for Catholic Social Thought and Practice in the Department of Theology and Religion at Durham University.
The event is free. Please bring your own packed lunch. Tea and coffee provided. Please book your place: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/hallam-formation-and-mission-46212155433>

Lent: Lay Community of St Benedict.

Attend Lay Community of St Benedict Lenten talks, Growing closer to Christ through a rule of life.

All are welcome to join all or any of the talks - sign up can be found here

<https://www.lcsb.uk/lent-2026> After they have taken place, recordings of the talks will also be available on their YouTube channel.



Palm Sunday Masses

Saturday 28th March - Rosary before Mass at 6:00pm

Vigil Mass Saturday 28th March at 6:30pm

Sunday 29th March Mass at 11am

Stations of the Cross 6:00pm

Holy Week and Easter Services 2026

Wednesday 1st April 2026 **11am** at St. Marie's Cathedral **Chrism Mass**

The Easter Triduum 2026 at Sacred Heart

Maundy Thursday 2nd April **7:00pm** Mass of the Lord's Supper

Maundy Thursday 2nd April **8:30pm** 'Watching' until 9:30pm

Good Friday 3rd April **3:00pm** Service of the Passion of Our Lord

Holy Saturday 4th April **10:00am** Christ in the tomb: Morning Prayer

Holy Saturday 4th April **6:30pm** Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday 2025

Easter Sunday 5th April **11:00am** Mass of the Resurrection

The Divine Mercy Novena, as requested by Our Lord Jesus Christ to St. Faustina Kowalska begins on Good Friday.

Divine Mercy Sunday 12th April **2:30pm** **Divine Mercy Holy Hour with Adoration;**
and the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm. Confessions available afterwards.

No Confessions available during the Easter Triduum (except in danger of death.)

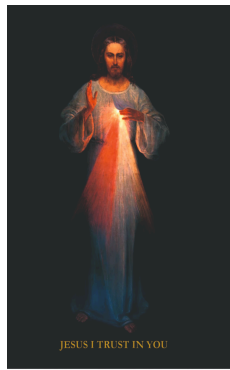
Holy Saturday Blessing of Easter Foods available by request. If possible, email frpaulsacredheart@gmail.com to book a time. Thanks.

Good Friday Event at Hillsborough Park

This begins at 12 noon with the Salvation Army band playing at the Cross, at Hillsborough Park.

We will then process to the Holy Trinity Methodist Church for hot cross buns and refreshments.

Everyone welcome.



Divine Mercy NOVENA Starts Good Friday

I desire that during these Nine Days,
you bring Souls to the fountain of My Mercy,
that they may draw from there, strength and
refreshment and all the Graces they have
need of - now and at the hour of death

Divine Mercy Sunday
12th April 2026

HOLY HOUR 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Adoration

Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3.00pm

Those who go to Confession and receive Holy Communion
on Divine Mercy Sunday will obtain full remission of sins
and punishment

During nine consecutive days beginning on Good Friday:

- * Recite the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- * Each day focus on a different group of Souls
- * Make a good confession
- * Receive Holy Communion on Divine Mercy Sunday (or Vigil)
- * Venerate the Image of Divine Mercy
- * Show mercy in action, word and prayer

Immerse the following in the ocean of My Divine Mercy on

- Day 1 Bring all mankind, especially sinners
- Day 2 Bring the Souls of Priests and Religious
- Day 3 Bring all devout and faithful souls
- Day 4 Bring all unbelievers and all who do not know me
- Day 5 Bring the Souls who have separated themselves from my Church
- Day 6 Bring all meek and humble Souls
- Day 7 Bring all those who venerate and glorify my Mercy
- Day 8 Bring all Souls detained in Purgatory
- Day 9 Bring all Souls who have become lukewarm

For details of how to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and follow
this Novena, please go the Divine Mercy Page on the Sacred Heart
Church Website www.sacredheartsheffield.co.uk or scan the QR Code



Easter Church Fundraiser

We offer our sincere thanks and gratitude to everyone who supported our Easter fundraiser. Your generosity and support are greatly appreciated. The lucky winner of the chocolate hamper was Fiona, number 32 and the amount raised for the church funds was £162.10. We also offer special thanks to Annette and Lesley who organised the event, for their generosity, time, effort, and dedication.



Sacred Heart RC Church, Hillsborough

'Journey in Faith' Programme for Adults 2025-26

The next session will be held on Monday the 23rd of March 2026.

Please click on the link for further details: <https://www.sacredheartsheffield.co.uk/journey-in-faith-rcia/journey-in-faith-programme/>



Church Cleaning Volunteers

The next regular monthly church clean will take place on **Saturday 28 March at 9.00 am**. The Church cleaning squad get together once a month on a Saturday, but we need more volunteers. Let's come together to prepare our Church for Holy week.

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 helpsbut not essential if you don't have one!

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



Hillsborough Churches' Family Fun Day.

A date for your diary - Saturday 9th May 2026 from 12:30pm to 4:00pm.

Once a year we, as a congregation, have the opportunity and joy to join with other Christians in the area to help with the single, biggest, free, local event - put on as a gift to families and people from Hillsborough and beyond. We are talking about the Hillsborough Churches' Family Fun Day. The vision is for the local community to have fun and celebrate the shared values of the faith communities as well as having the opportunity to engage with Jesus. There is always a community spirit as people enjoy various activities including: inflatables, refreshments, games, races, stalls, art, storytelling, circus skills, music, worship, and dance and much more. To be able to run the event we need YOU! There will be many volunteering opportunities that can suit virtually anyone. More about that in the future but for now please put the date in your diaries. **The date is Saturday 9th May 2026 from 12:30pm to 4:00pm.** It will be a great event to which you can both bring your friends, family and neighbour and help out with - in many different ways - which will be advertised nearer the time for you to enrol.

A Call to Share your Faith: Join Our Catechist Team

Do you have a heart for sharing your faith with others?

We are launching a special initiative to recruit, renew, and support the dedicated individuals who walk alongside others on their journey of faith. Whether you have years of experience or are simply curious about how you can help, we invite you to be part of one of our sacramental preparation teams. We are seeking volunteers for:

- Baptism & Marriage preparation
- Children's Liturgy
- First Holy Communion & Confirmation for young people
- RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Formation & Commissioning

We will be hosting a Formation Day to equip you with the tools, training, and spiritual support needed for these ministries

There will then be **Commissioning Masses** where we will formally bless and commission our new and existing catechists.

Being a catechist is not only about teaching; it is about accompanying others as they encounter Christ. Resources will be provided to ensure you feel confident and supported.

Further details to follow later in the year.

Hallam Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026

Bookings are now being taken for the Hallam Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 26th June to 2nd July. The cost is £1010, to include flights from Leeds Bradford to Lourdes, 6 nights accommodation, full board and insurance. There will be a full religious programme led by Bishop Ralph. The theme this year is 'Hail, full of grace'. For bookings see www.tangney-tours.com/hallam, or call 01732 886666. For further information call 01302 247910 or 07724 650066 or email lourdesoffice@hallam-diocese.com.

Paper booking forms are now available from the back of the church. Please note there are two parts to the forms; an application form which is to be returned to Tangney Tours and a Health Form to be returned to the Hallam Pastoral Office - address below:

Hallam Lourdes Pilgrimage Office, Hallam Pastoral Centre, St. Charles Street, Sheffield S9 3WU

Events for young people

Lourdes - 25th June - 3rd July 2026 for young people 16-18 who are not in Catholic schools.

Summer Camp - 27th - 31st July 2026 for children aged 11/12yrs, run by our own young leaders of the diocese.

Rome - 26th - 31st October 2026 for young adults together with Salford Diocese.

For more information and booking forms please email YOUTH@HALLAM-DIOCESE.COM

For the Rome event you can also email YOUTH@DIOCESEOFSAFORD.ORG.UK

There are also posters with further details for these events on the church noticeboard.

Encounter School of Ministry Sheffield - Launching September 2026, a dynamic two-year training journey rooted in long-term discipleship, designed to teach, equip, and activate believers to demonstrate the love of God through the power of the Holy Spirit. Through teaching, small groups, worship, and activations, you will learn to step out in faith, grow in the gifts of healing and prophecy, and make the supernatural life of the Spirit a natural part of everyday life. Join a community pursuing transformation, breakthrough, and the call to do the "greater works" Jesus promised. For more information and enrolment:

encounterschool.org/sheffield



Sacred Heart School has a vacancy for a cleaner for 10 hours per week. For more information, email enquiries@sacredheart.sheffield.sch.uk

For details of further school job vacancies please visit <https://hallam-diocese.com/schools-home/schools-vacancies/>



The lucky winner for last Saturday's draw was Noah Higgins, bonus ball number 59.

Many thanks to everyone for your support.

Good Luck for this Saturday.



We Dare to Ask

We Dare to Ask is the third of the *We Dare to...* series (2024 *We Dare to Say* on the Lord's Prayer; 2025 – *We Dare to Hope* on the Jubilee year theme of 'Pilgrims of Hope').

Our 2026 Lenten resource seeks to encourage an appreciation of what is given in Christian Baptism.

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/we-dare-to-ask/>

For the online parish prayer meeting during Lent we will use the above resource and this is available to download if you so wish.

The next weekly parish prayer meeting is on Sunday the 28th March.

19:30 - 20:30 (GMT)

Occurs every Sunday

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

We hope you can join us.

The month of March is dedicated to St Joseph

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