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PARISH BULLETIN OF
SACRED HEART
CATHOLIC CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH

Mass Information 22nd - 29th August 2026

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 22nd August - Rosary at 5:30pm

The Rosary Dedication for August is for Our Lady
Please put any intention in the Rosary Box at the back of church

Saturday 22nd August 6pm Vigil Mass - People of the Parish

Sunday 23rd August 10:30am Mass - Tom & Bridie Kinsella and Brian & Maura Moore

Monday 24th August - No Mass - St Bartholomew

Tuesday 25th August - 10am Mass - Jose Antonio Pimenta R.I.P

Wednesday 26th August - 10am Mass - For the homeless and those in need

Thursday 27th August - 10am Mass - St Monica - For all Mothers

Friday 28th August - 10am Mass - St Augustine - Priest's Own Intention

Saturday 29th August - No AM Mass - The Passion of St John the Baptist

Mass Intentions for next weekend's masses

Saturday 29th August 6pm Vigil Mass - Paddy Clarke and Paul King

Sunday 30th August 10:30am Mass - People of the Parish



Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Canon John Galvin who died on Saturday 11th July 2026.

Mr Pius Ohaejesi, the father of Fr Evangelist Ohaejesi, who died on 7th of May 2026. The funeral will take place in Nigeria on the 20th of August 2026.

Mrs Agatha Nwaobi, the mother of Fr Callistus Nwaobi, who died in Nigeria on Saturday 18th July.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a Mass offered for a loved one or a special intention, please use the **Mass Intention forms provided at the back of church.**

Please ensure that you include a **contact name and telephone number or email address**, in case we need to contact you regarding your request.

If you require a **specific date** for the Mass intention, please give **at least two weeks' notice.**

We will always try our best to accommodate your requested date.

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. The 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

No Children's Liturgy this Sunday - the team are taking a break over the summer and will be back in September.

Interested in getting involved?

If you would like to help out next term, please contact the parish office.

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 can be obtained from Fr Paul after Mass.

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
Brendan McEntagart, Anita Gibson, Nick Kinsella, Catie McCullagh, Hilary Green, Martin Kirwan &
Christine Trebicka*

May God bring them healing mercies.

For the Dead:

**Please pray for all those who have died, especially those who have died recently,
and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:**

*George Purdy, Kathleen Sanderson, Catherine Longden, Lorna Kirwan, Jacqueline Frances Long,
Alfred James Rowden & Ann Hudson*

May they rest in peace.

Collections

15th & 16th August 2026

Offertory - £477.44

Church Maintenance - £20.00

The average monthly value of standing orders 1 Jan - 30 June was £2,109.17.

"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**



**PASTORAL LETTER TO PARISH COMMUNITIES AND LAY FAITHFUL
FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE INTER-DIOCESAN CONSULTATION PROCESS
DIOCESES OF LEEDS, MIDDLESBROUGH AND HALLAM**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am writing to update you on the progress that has been made since my appointment by His Holiness Pope Leo XIV as Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Middlesbrough in December 2025, and as Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Hallam in March this year.

In the letters appointing me to those roles, Pope Leo asked me to initiate, among the clergy, religious and lay faithful of the Dioceses of Leeds, Middlesbrough and Hallam, 'a phase of study and discussion' with a view to their 'possible future union'.

Over the past eight months, an extensive consultation process has been undertaken across our three dioceses, with all encouraged to submit their thoughts online, by letter, or through in-person meetings. It has brought together representatives from all of the one hundred and ninety-three parishes, including lay women and men, deacons and priests, institutes of consecrated life and societies of apostolic life, the leaders of schools and school multi-academy trusts, and a range of Catholic organisations and apostolates.

Engagement in the consultation has enlivened a zeal for mission that is evident in the hearts of those who took part. It demonstrates too, the love and appreciation for the rich heritage of the saints and martyrs, and pride in the Catholic patrimony that exists throughout the whole of the historic County of Yorkshire and other areas of the territorial jurisdictions which our dioceses encompass.

The consultation has enabled us to consider the challenges we face in the future; it has also opened before us opportunities to strengthen our participation in the mission entrusted by Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to His Church, and to renew our vigour in responding to the work of evangelisation. The guiding principle which has underpinned our consultation has been not about how diocesan structures might change, but how those structures can better support the Church's mission today and in the future.

The results of this consultation process have now been compiled into a comprehensive report which I hope to complete and send to the Holy Father, through the Apostolic Nuncio and the Dicastery of Bishops in Rome, by the end of August for his and their consideration.

I will also publish the report before mid-October so that all those who have taken part in the consultation process can see just how valuable their generous participation has been. We will be able to examine the key themes which have emerged and use the report to learn how we can enhance and improve our pastoral care and our proclamation of the Gospel in today's world.

Whatever decision might be taken by Pope Leo about a possible future union, the strengthening of our ecclesial communion and the collaborative work which has already begun between our three dioceses will be of mutual benefit to our service of the Church's continuing mission in the future.

The Holy Father has said, *"The mystery of union with Christ lies at the heart of mission."*¹ It is this truth which has been at the heart of my vision for our consultation process, the vision and purpose which Our Lord Himself gave to His Church on the night before His passion and death: *"That they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me."*² And the mission we must pursue is the one given by Our Lord to His Apostles: *"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."*³

I wish to express my heartfelt gratitude to all those who have contributed to our response to the Holy Father's request for this period of study and discussion within the three diocesan communities of our one family in the Catholic faith. Trusting in divine providence and in the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we now commend the outcome of this consultation process to the judgement of the Successor of the Apostles.

Please pray for me and for our priests and deacons, that the Lord Jesus Christ will: bless us with His strength to serve you who are the living stones of His Temple; grant us His wisdom to lead you who are His Holy People; and, pour out His love upon us to care for you who are His Beloved brothers and sisters.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help ... Pray for us!

Our holy patron St Wilfrid ... Pray for us!

Holy Martyrs of Yorkshire and Padley ... Pray for us!



✠ Right Reverend Marcus Stock
Bishop of Leeds
Apostolic Administrator of Middlesbrough
Apostolic Administrator of Hallam

Given at Leeds on 13th August 2026, and appointed to be read at celebrations of Mass, and made available to be taken away from the churches and chapels of the Dioceses of Leeds, Middlesbrough and Hallam, on the Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time, Saturday 22nd/Sunday 23rd August 2026.

¹ Message of Pope Leo XIV for the 100th World Day of Mission, 25 January 2026

² John 17:21

³ Matthew 28:18-20

MARIAN DEVOTIONS

As a follow up to last weekend's homily on the feast of the Assumption, here are the promised links.

1. An excellent website, by the Montfort Missionaries, where you can read about 'True devotion to Mary' 'The Secret of the Rosary' and 'The Secret of Mary' as well as many other writings including methods of praying the Rosary. <https://www.montfort.org.uk/Writings/TD.php>
2. A great website which provides full details about the 33-day consecration to Jesus through Mary along with links to all the reflections and prayers for each of the 33 days. <https://www.catholiccompany.com/pages/how-to-make-your-st-louis-de-montforts-total-consecration-to-jesus-through-mary>
3. Or you may prefer to print out your own copy to read. A PDF link is <https://www.quies.org/True-Consecration-33-Day.pdf>
4. If you would like a more modern 33-day consecration programme that combines the spiritual writings of St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and pope St. John Paul II, making them easy to grasp and simple enough to put into practice then here is a link to order the book by Fr. Michael Gaitley. <https://divinemercyapostolate.co.uk/product/33-days-to-morning-glory-by-fr-michael-e-gaitley-mic/> It can also be ordered via the Amazon website.

If you have any queries, please contact Fr. Paul.



In order to mark the Feast of St Francis of Assisi this year which falls on 4th October, we are planning to walk a Pilgrimage for Peace on Saturday 10th October. This year marks 800 years since St Francis died so a fitting time to celebrate his life and works. Planning is in the initial stages but we are hoping to walk through Rivelin Valley and have a Mass either at Sacred Heart or St Michael's Cemetery Chapel. More details and a sign up sheet to follow in a few weeks. Until then, put the date in the diary!



Interested in Starting Altar Serving?

Have you made your First Holy Communion? If you would like to become an Altar Server, please speak to one of our Masters of Ceremonies: Andrew, Mario, or Conor. They will get you started by providing your alb and a training sheet to record your progress. We look forward to welcoming you.

Giving Thanks for Our Senior Servers

We appreciate our senior altar servers for their dedication and service to our parish. Your commitment to serving is an example to our younger servers and a gift to our parish. Thank you.

The Sick and Retired Clergy Fund

Dear Friends in Christ,

For generations, the clergy of our diocese have been the bedrock of our communities. They have walked alongside us through every season of life – celebrating our joys, comforting us in our sorrows, and faithfully guiding us in our spiritual journeys. From baptisms to weddings, from moments of crisis to everyday pastoral care, their dedication and unwavering commitment have shaped countless lives and strengthened the very fabric of our faith. The need for this vital fund is growing, since the Diocesan levy for our parish in Dec 2025 was £4,419 and so far this year we have received donations of £529 leaving £3,890 outstanding. So, I am making this appeal to you on behalf of all the sick and retired clergy of our diocese.

There will be a retiring collection this weekend but you can donate to this fund at any time in either of the following ways: by using the tablet at the back of church, by bank transfer or via the baskets by putting your donation in an envelope marked 'Sick & Retired Clergy Fund'.

Please use the reference 'Sick & Retired Clergy Fund' when making a donation by bank transfer to:

- Account name: Diocese of Hallam Sacred Heart Sheffield
- Sort code: 40-41-07
- Account number: 21094319

Every contribution, no matter its size, makes a significant impact.

Thank you for considering this appeal and for supporting our dedicated clergy.

Thank you to all who have already made contributions, your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Missio Red Boxes

A sincere thank you to everyone who has taken a Missio Red Box and continues to support the missionary work through your generosity.

We would be grateful if you could bring your Red Box to church by the **end of August** and leave it in the sacristy for emptying so that the collection can be counted and sent to Missio.

Once your box has been emptied, it will be returned and left at the back of church for you to collect at your convenience.

Missio Red Box Representatives

We are pleased to announce that our parish representatives for the Missio Red Box collections are Marie Gelder and Sr Maire.

We would like to thank them both for volunteering to take on this role and for helping to support the important work of Missio through our parish. We are very grateful for their time and commitment.

Thank you all for your continued kindness and support.

God Bless.

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**.



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



Church Cleaning

We need more volunteers

The next regular monthly church clean will take place Saturday 29th August at 9.00am

Our church cleaning team does a wonderful job of keeping our church clean and welcoming for everyone.

We extend our sincere thanks to everyone who helped at the last cleaning session. Your generosity of time and effort is invaluable.

We are looking for **more volunteers to join the team**. Even if you can only spare a little time, your help would be greatly appreciated and would make a real difference.

If you would be willing to help, please contact the Parish Office or speak to one of the existing cleaning volunteers.

If you are able to bring a mop, bucket or any other cleaning equipment, this would be very helpful, although please don't worry if you can't - your help and presence are what matter most.

Please come along to help if you can.

A Holy Hour For Life (Adoration)

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

Hope UK

Hope UK, a Christian charity, has been delivering drug education and life skills sessions for more than 170 years. They are currently raising funds to continue this vital work with young people. If you'd like to support them, you can donate at hopeuk.org/appeal. Every gift makes a difference. To find out more about their work, go to hopeuk.org.

March for Life UK

Join March for Life UK on Saturday 5th September in London for the annual march for life, the 'Pro-Life Summit' and 'Youth Summit'. Unite with thousands of others at this family-friendly event, where we recognise the value of life from conception and help all people understand why abortion is a tragedy in itself and one that harms the family to the very core. Find out more at marchforlife.co.uk or email info@marchforlife.co.uk To book a seat from Sheffield, email 40dforlsheffield@gmail.com

Just over 3 weeks until the assisted suicide Bill vote.

Your MP could be one of the 12. Only 12 MPs need to switch for the assisted suicide Bill to be defeated on 11th September.

A face-to-face meeting can make a real difference to how your MP votes. Right To Life UK's simple tool lets you request a meeting in just 30 seconds and gives you everything you need to prepare, including a short video guide.

Please ask your MP today for a meeting and urge them to vote NO to assisted suicide:

<https://righttolife.org.uk/meetyourmp>

Grief to Grace

Grief to Grace is a specialised programme of spiritual and psychological healing for anyone who has suffered sexual, physical, emotional or spiritual abuse. Please contact the Grief to Grace team on 020 8154 2719 or info@griegtograceuk.org

Joint Diocesan Camino

Leeds Walsingham Way is a NEW Joint Diocesan Camino for the Year of St Francis of Assisi! Full information and links for Day Pilgrims to sign up for any of the days walking through Leeds or Hallam Dioceses here: <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/day-pilgrims-invited-to-join-new-diocesan-walking-pilgrimage/> ALL welcome to join for Mass: Camino begins Saturday 12 September with 8am Pilgrims' Mass at Leeds Cathedral, followed by walk to Wakefield; 8am Sunday Mass at St Austin's, Wakefield, followed by walk into Hallam; Tuesday 15 September 8am Mass at St Marie's Cathedral, Sheffield, followed by walk to Padley Martyrs' Chapel.

Celebration of Married Life 2026

On Saturday 19th September, there will be a special Celebration Mass for Married Life at St Marie's Cathedral at 12:30pm for couples and their families celebrating their 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 70th wedding anniversary jubilees this calendar year. Newly married couples are also welcome to come. During the liturgy, there will be an opportunity for couples, who wish to do so, to renew their marriage vows. If you would like to take part in this celebration, please fill out the application form that is online (a QR code can be found on the poster on the church notice board to access this), or fill in the hard copy form available at the back of church and email it to:

bishop.secretary@dioceseofleeds.org.uk, or send it by post to: Anne Cooke, 13 North Grange Road, Leeds, LS6 2BR by Friday 4th September 2026. Further details from: formation-mission@hallam-diocese.com, or Tel: 0114 256 6410

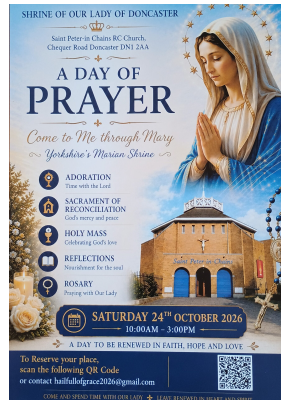
Catholic Holidays in the Lake District this Summer

During August and September, Castlerigg Manor in Keswick is opening its doors to families, groups of friends, or private individuals who are looking for an affordable stay in the Lake District. Breakfast and evening meal are provided, and Mass is celebrated on site. For more information check out castleriggmanor.com/stay-with-us or contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk / 017687 72711

Quiet Retreats for Adults this October

During October half term, Castlerigg Manor is running a quiet retreat for individual adults who want to spend a few days of peace, relaxation and prayer in the Lake District. Each day there will be a talk, Mass, and evening prayer, and then a lot of time to explore the area, pray, or just simply relax. Book at castleriggmanor.com/events or contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk

Shrine of Our Lady of Doncaster at St Peter-in-Chains Saturday 24th October 2026



Please see the poster above or on the church noticeboard for further information. There are also fliers in church, and on the back of the fliers, there is a novena to Our Lady of Doncaster.



Sacred Heart School have a vacancy for a breakfast club worker for 6.25 hours a week. More information can be found on the school website <https://www.sacredheart.sheffield.sch.uk/page/?title=Vacancies&pid=20> or by emailing enquiries@sacredheart.sheffield.sch.uk



There are now two 'rounds' drawn on the Saturday Lottery, please note that our bonus ball number will be paid out on the 1st round drawn.

The lucky winner for last Saturday's draw was Cyril, bonus ball number 7.

Many thanks to everyone for your support.

Good Luck for this Saturday.



The Parish Prayer Group are taking a break in August and will be back in September.

The month of August is dedicated to The Immaculate Heart of Mary

Pray the Holy Rosary

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