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**The Month of August is devoted to The Immaculate Heart of Mary**

**Nineteenth Sunday of the Year (B)  
Sunday 11th August 2024 Psalter Week 3**

**Saturday (Totley)**

5.00 p.m. Annie Davis

**Sunday**

9.15 a.m. Frank Wood

11.15 a.m. People of the Parish

**Monday** St Jane Frances Chantel, religious

No Mass

**Tuesday (Totley)** St Pontian, Pope and  
St Hippolytus, martyrs

10.00 a.m.

**Wednesday** St Maximilian Kolbe, priest and  
martyr

10.00 a.m. Denis Dawson

7.30 p.m. (Vigil Mass) The Feast of The Assumption

People of the Parish

**Thursday** THE ASSUMPTION OF THE  
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10.00 a.m. Ron Mason

**Friday** St Stephen of Hungary

12.00 p.m. Kath Jarman

**Saturday** *Feria*

No Mass

**Next week's Masses**

**Totley**

5.00 p.m. John D'Souza

**Meadowhead**

9.15 a.m. People of the Parish

11.15 a.m. Marshall Ross

**Exposition of the  
Blessed Sacrament**

Saturday 10.30am – 11.30am

**Pray for our sick:**

Gavin Lambert, Sheila Hurst, Theresa Greensmith, Philomena McNally, Molly Upton, Sue Jarman, Stephen Bingley, Pauline Souflas, Anne Grayson, Paul Smith, Helen Aulton, David Gage, Teddy Howes, and Father Michael O'Connor.

**Lately dead: John Heaton RIP**

**Responsorial Psalm: 33**

**R:** *Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

**Offertory:** Loose plate and envelopes total for 4th August 2024 is £173.85 Thank you.

**Come to Mass with no cash?** You can make weekly donations by card on the machines in the porch or at the side door table. You can gift-aid

**Events for the Coming Week**

**Monday** SVP Parish Rooms 6.45pm

Registered Charity No 512021

**If you notice anything on or around the church premises which has the potential to cause harm or requires repair please let Liz Mason, Fr Stephen or Simon Jones know as soon as possible so that appropriate action can be taken promptly.**



**This Thursday, 15 August, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a Holy Day of Obligation.**

There will be a vigil Mass of the feast at 7.30pm on Wednesday evening and Mass at 10.00am on Thursday morning (both Masses at Meadowhead).

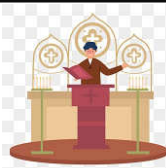
**The SVP is pleased to announce that we will be holding our annual senior parishioner's tea party on September 7th** between 2 pm and 5 pm. It will be held in the hall at Our Lady & St Thomas.



We will be giving out invitations over the next few weeks. If any parishioners wish to attend or know of anyone, including housebound or disabled, who would like to come and who the SVP may not know, please inform Frances Green, SVP conference secretary (07850048271 and francesmgreen@hotmail.co.uk). Transport will be provided to and from the event.

If anyone is able to bake cakes to support the event, we would be very grateful. Please let Frances know if you are able to help.

**New Lectionaries** - Many thanks to the generous parishioners who have volunteered to pay for the two sets of the new Lectionaries that churches will be using from the start of Advent 2024..



**Reading Ministry - Do you have a loud clear voice?** Can you read slowly and with understanding? We are in great need of readers for all Masses **but especially at Totley**. Training will be given. If you think

you may be interested please contact Liz Mason or Fr Stephen at the presbytery.

### **Hurricane Fundraiser / Caribbean Evening at OLST**

**On Saturday 14 September from 7.00 pm onwards in the church hall. We are collecting funds for disaster recovery and supplies, in Grenada, Carriacou and Petite Martinique, which were affected by Hurricane Beryl.**

**The fundraiser will include an evening meal and a raffle. Bring your own drinks.**

**Tickets (£20 for adults, £10 for under 16's) available from Brenda on 07880 883929 or Annmarie on 07985 217699**

**Grace Foodbank** Our regular 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday collection of groceries in church for our local Foodbank here in S8 is **this coming Sunday, 19 August**. Or you can donate at any time at shops e.g. Sainsbury, Archer Rd. .We are currently shortest of: Breakfast Cereal, Instant Mashed potato, Microwave rice, Tinned fish, Pasta Sauce, Fruit Squash/Fruit Juice, UHT Milk, Laundry Powder/Capsules, Toilet Roll, Biscuits



We don't have any surpluses at the moment and every single packet, tin or jar will be very gratefully received! For updates to the list and other information please check out <https://gracefoodbanksheffield.org.uk/> Thank you.

### **The Bethlehem Ball 23rd November, 2024**

**The Bethlehem Ball** will be held at the Niagara Conference Centre in Sheffield on Saturday, 23 November. It is a Dinner and Dance in a lovely venue and the tickets at £35 each are modestly priced for such an event. Dancing to the **Grand Plan**.

**Raffle tickets, for great cash prizes, are now available in church.** Please take some to sell - the Bethlehem Hospice needs your support

If you would like to celebrate with us and help make this a great anniversary celebration, tickets can be obtained from **Liz Mason, Cathal Farragher or Joe McNally** (07891072858) or simply scan the QR code on our poster and apply. Thank you. watch this space . . .





## Adoremus at Oscott—Saturday 14 September

The 2024 National Eucharistic Congress takes place at St Mary’s College, Oscott on 14 September. Adoremus is an ongoing programme. The event at Oscott is taking place in the spirit of the Liverpool Adoremus in 2018. It is related to the International Eucharistic Congress also taking place in September, and is preparatory to the Jubilee in 2025, and is not therefore an isolated event. The intention is to unite the faithful of the country in focusing on the Eucharist in every parish in anticipation of the Jubilee Year with renewed and deepened devotion.

### How to Attend

Unlike Adoremus in Liverpool, this is NOT a public event which people can turn up for individually. **If you wish to attend you need to travel on the diocesan coach.** The Hallam coach holds 40 people and at the time of writing there are still places available. Deacon Tony Strike is co-ordinating arrangements. There are some forms in the porch, with more information about the event on the reverse side. If you wish to attend, please complete the form and scan and email it to Deacon Tony. Or you can ring him with your details. His phone number and email address are on the reverse of the form.

## Celebrate 30 years of the Fairtrade Mark

### 27. Celebrate World Fair Trade Day

On the second Saturday of every May, World Fair Trade Day is a great opportunity to listen to the voices of the people behind the products we use every day. So, mark it in your diary as a major moment to celebrate fairer trade, and sign up for our emails to ensure you get all the tools you need to mark this special moment. Sign up for Fairtrade Foundation emails -<https://action.fairtrade.org.uk/page/55342/subscribe/1>



Wednesday 14 August is the Feast Day of **St Maximilian Kolbe**. Born in 1894 in occupied Poland, he joined the Franciscans in Lwów in 1910, and was ordained eight years later,. Maximilian believed that Christians must fight for the world’s salvation with all the means of modern communication. He founded a newspaper, and a sodality called the Knights of Mary Immaculate, which spread widely in Poland and abroad. He founded a community, a “city of Mary,” at Teresin: centred round the Franciscan friary. In 1930 he went to Japan, studied Buddhism and Shintoism, and spread the Christian message in a way that was in harmony with Japanese culture. He was recalled to Poland in 1936 on health grounds.

When Hitler invaded Poland, the community at Teresin sheltered thousands of refugees, most of them Jews. In 1941 Maximilian was arrested and sent to at Auschwitz. When a prisoner escaped, and in reprisal the authorities chose ten people to die by starvation, Maximilian offered to take the place of one of the men chosen, as he had a family. The man he saved was present at the ceremony for Maximilian’s canonisation in 1982.

If today, 11 August, were not a Sunday we would be celebrating the **Feast of St Clare**. Inspired by Francis of Assisi, she became the first abbess of the order of the Poor Clares at San Damiano in Assisi in 1215. The emphasis was on gospel poverty. They possessed no property, even in common, subsisting on daily contributions. Clare’s influence was such that popes, cardinals, and bishops often consulted her.

The 41 years of Clare’s religious life are scenarios of sanctity: a resolve to lead the simple, literal gospel life; courageous resistance to the ever-present pressure to dilute the ideal; a passion for poverty and humility; an ardent life of prayer; and a generous concern for her sisters.

## Personnel Column

Congratulations to Emma and Jordan Williamson on the birth of their daughter, Phoebe Joy.  
Thanks be to God.

### Our Parish Safeguarding representatives are:

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## Mass Setting - Mass of Christ the Saviour

Gloria 1013; Holy, Holy 1014; Memorial Acclamation 1016-1017; Lamb of God 1019



**The commemoration of the death of the Blessed Virgin Mary** is known as the Assumption because of the tradition that her body did not decay but that she was raised up, body and soul, into heaven. This tradition was widespread by the beginning of the 20th century, and in 1950 Pope Pius XII, infallibly declared the Assumption to be part of the doctrine of the universal Church.

Scripture does not give an account of Mary's Assumption into heaven. But *Revelation, chapter 12*, speaks of a woman caught up in the battle between good and evil. Many see this woman as God's people. Since Mary best embodies the people of both the Old and New Testament, her Assumption can be seen as an exemplification of the woman's victory.

In *1 Corinthians* Paul speaks of Christ's resurrection as the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. Since Mary is closely associated with all the mysteries of Jesus' life, it is not surprising that the Holy Spirit has led the Church to believe in Mary's share in his glorification. So close was she to Jesus on earth, she must be with him body and soul in heaven.

### Prayer for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

God our Father, you crowned the Blessed Virgin Mary on the day of her Assumption with a glory beyond compare.

You had looked on her lowliness and had made her the mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, your Only-begotten Son.

Grant that, by her prayers, we may be saved by the mystery of your redemption, and share with her in the glory of eternal life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

#### This Week's Readings

##### Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Reading:** *1 Kings 19:4-8*

**Responsorial Psalm:** 33

**Second Reading:** *Ephesians 4:30-5:2*

**Gospel:** *John 6:41-51*

### Prayer for the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Almighty and ever-living God, your Spirit made us your children, confident to call you Father

Increase your Spirit within us and bring us to our promised inheritance.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

#### Next Week's Readings

##### Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

**First Reading:** *Proverbs 9:1-16*

**Responsorial Psalm:** 33

**Second Reading:** *Ephesians 5:15-20*

**Gospel:** *John 6:51-58*

### Thought for the week

I implore you by God's mercy to offer your very selves to him: a living sacrifice, dedicated and fit for his acceptance, the worship offered by mind and heart.

Adapt yourselves no longer to the pattern of this present world, but let your minds be remade and your whole nature thus transformed. Then you will be able to discern the will of God, and to know what is good, acceptable and perfect.

*Romans 12:1-2*

#### This Week's Ministries 10/11 August 2024

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| <b>Readers</b>   | 5.00 p.m.  | V Coomer, E Watson                 |
|                  | 9.15 a.m.  | O Farragher, S Jones               |
|                  | 11.15 a.m. | M Richardson, I Paterson           |
| <b>Communion</b> | 5.00 p.m.  | J Brook, S Davey                   |
|                  | 9.15 a.m.  | M Mahon, R Portaluri, J Tucker     |
|                  | 11.15 a.m. | K O'Brien, E Williamson, J McNally |

#### Next Week's Ministries 17/18 August 2024

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| <b>Readers</b>   | 5.00 p.m.  | H Simmerson, D Fletcher           |
|                  | 9.15 a.m.  | C Farragher, A Peacey             |
|                  | 11.15 a.m. | M Pybus, A Willcock               |
| <b>Communion</b> | 5.00 p.m.  | V Coomer, K Durkin                |
|                  | 9.15 a.m.  | N Parsons, C Parsons, B Ayanleke  |
|                  | 11.15 a.m. | P Corkell, M Richardson, S Campos |
| <b>Welcomers</b> | 9.15 a.m.  | N Parsons                         |
|                  | 11.15 a.m. | A Willcock                        |