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The Month of April is dedicated to God the Holy Spirit

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
Sunday, 13th April 2025



Saturday (Totley)

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday

9.15 a.m. John Phelan Snr

11.15 a.m. Rodolfo Santos

Holy Monday

No Mass

Holy Tuesday

No Mass

7.30 p.m. Penitential Service

Spy Wednesday

11.00 a.m. Chrism Mass at the Cathedral

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

Maundy Thursday - Mass of the Last Supper

8.00 p.m. Kate Phelan

Watching at the Altar of Repose until 10.00pm

Good Friday

10.00 a.m. Stations of the Cross

3.00 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

7.00 - 8.00 p.m. Quiet Time around the Cross

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil

8.30 p.m. Mass of Thanksgiving

THE SEASON OF EASTER

Next week's Masses - Easter Sunday

Totley

9.00 a.m. People of the Parish

Meadowhead

10.30 a.m. Paddy McGloin

Responsorial Psalm: 22

R: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?



Pray for our sick: Sheila Nixon, Anne McPhee, Philomena McNally, Oliver Wragg, Pauline Souflas, Pat Durkin, Sue Jarman, Stephen Bingley, Anne-Marie Fletcher, Molly Upton, Patricia McGuone, Sheila Hurst, and Paul Smith.

There will be watching at the Altar of Repose on Maundy Thursday until 10.00pm.



Holy Week

Services for Holy Week and Easter

15th April, Holy Tuesday, 7.30pm - Penitential Service
 16th April, Spy Wednesday 11.00am - Chrism Mass at the Cathedral
 17th April, Maundy Thursday 8.00pm Mass of the Last Supper
 18th April, Good Friday - 10.00am Stations of the Cross
 Good Friday - 3.00pm Liturgy of The Lord's Passion
 Good Friday - 7pm-8pm Quiet time around the Cross
 19th April, Holy Saturday - 8.30pm Easter Vigil
 20th April, Easter Sunday - 9.00am Mass at Totley;
 10.30am Mass at Meadowhead

Retiring Collection - This Good Friday we will have the traditional collection for Holy Places in Palestine. This collection was born out of the desire of the Popes to maintain a strong bond between the faithful across the world and the Holy Places. It is the main source of material support for Christian life in the Holy Land.

Time to be Reconciled? Penitential Service this Tuesday, 7.30pm at Meadowhead



Feeling guilty about things you have done and things you have failed to do? Still giving in to those temptations to sin - in thought, word or deed - that you vowed to resist on Ash Wednesday, when we heard St Paul's urgent plea, "be reconciled to God."

(2 Corinthians 5:20)? Paul goes on to say "now is the favourable time". And with Easter at hand, what better time to repair your damaged relationship with God and be reconciled with

Him through the Sacrament of Confession during this Tuesday's Penitential Service at Meadowhead at 7.30 pm?
Fr Henry from the Cathedral will be conducting the service.

Church Cleaning at Meadowhead

There will be cleaning on Monday of Holy Week, 14th April, at 10.30am. **PLEASE, PLEASE** give an hour or whatever you can and come and help. Many hands make light work!



English Martyrs - Cleaning Church in preparation for Easter will take place on Tuesday 15th April from 11.00 All volunteers welcome, many hands make light work, thank you.



Offertory Envelopes: New envelopes for the coming Financial Year are available at the back of church. Please note that anyone with a number over 25 has had to be given a new number.

Senior Parishioners' Tea Party

The SVP is holding a Senior Parishioners' Tea Party on Saturday 3rd May between 2:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. in the Parish Hall. We will be giving out invitations but also please let Ralph Dickins (07913 979217) or Frances Green (07850 048271) know if you would like to attend or know anyone who we should invite. We would also be very grateful for offers to bake for the event.

Good Friday Liturgy for Children

During the 3pm Liturgy on Good Friday, the Children's Liturgy Team and Fr Geoff will be leading a simple retelling of Jesus' Passion story in the Hall for children, with activities to help them reflect and engage with the themes of the day. All children who have not yet made their First Holy Communion are welcome. Please come straight down to the Hall when you arrive at church. We will rejoin the main congregation in church for the Veneration of the Cross.

Adults are welcome to stay, but if your children are able to attend by themselves then do take the opportunity to be part of the main Liturgy.

Offertory: Loose plate and envelopes total for 6th April 2025 is £355.27. Thank you.

Come to Mass with no cash? You can donate by card on the machines in the porch and by the side door. You can gift-aid too!

Last week's retiring collection for the Myanmar earthquake raised £403.58. Many thanks.

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 Clement or Simon Jones, tel 07808283807 know as soon as possible so that appropriate action can be taken promptly.

A Reflection for Palm Sunday

As Jesus enters Jerusalem, He is greeted with palm branches and shouts of 'Hosanna!' Yet, within days, those same voices will cry out, 'Crucify Him!' This contrast reminds us of the fickleness of human nature and the cost of true discipleship. Are we willing to follow Jesus not only in moments of triumph but also in suffering? The hymn in Philippians describes Christ's humility: He did not cling to His divine status but emptied Himself in obedience, even unto death. His example calls us to a life of self-giving love. As we enter Holy Week, let us reflect on how we can walk more faithfully in His footsteps.

Action Step

Spend time reflecting on Christ's Passion in prayer. Consider how you can accompany Him more closely in His suffering through acts of love and sacrifice.

A Reflection for Good Friday

Good Friday is a day of silence, sorrow, and profound gratitude. As we stand at the foot of the Cross, we witness the depth of Christ's love—a love that endured unimaginable suffering for our sake. The weight of our sins bore down upon Him, yet He willingly embraced the Cross to bring us redemption. This day calls us to reflect deeply on the price of our salvation. Do we truly comprehend the magnitude of Christ's sacrifice? Are we willing to embrace our own crosses with faith and trust in God's plan? The words "It is finished" (John 19:30) remind us that Christ's mission was one of complete surrender. We, too, are invited to surrender our fears, burdens, and sins at the foot of the Cross, trusting in His boundless mercy.

Action Step

Spend time in silent reflection before a crucifix or at a church, meditating on Christ's Passion. Offer up any personal suffering to Him.

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/lent/lent-project-2025/good-friday/>

In your garden over Easter? Please could you sow some extra seeds and put cuttings on one side to support our Parish Coffee, Cakes and Cuttings event which WILL be on Saturday 17th May (thanks to offers of help!) for Transport 17 and our other Outreach partners? Thank you!



Parish Outreach meeting 7.30pm Monday 14th April.

All welcome. Please contact david.angela.wood@gmail.com for the zoom link.

Grace Foodbank Our regular 3rd Sunday collection is this coming Sunday, 20th April. Or you can donate at any time at shops eg Sainsbury. Demand is high and donations are low. We are currently shortest of: Tinned fish, Tinned meat, Rice, Tinned potatoes, Rice pudding, Tinned peas/carrots/sweetcornand money! For updates to the list and other information eg how to donate money, please check out <https://gracefoodbanksheffield.org.uk/> Thank you.



The Donkey by G. K. Chesterton



**WHEN fishes flew and forests walked
And figs grew upon thorn,
Some moment when the moon was blood
Then surely I was born;
With monstrous head and sickening cry
And ears like errant wings,
The devil's walking parody
On all four-footed things.
The tattered outlaw of the earth,
Of ancient crooked will;
Starve, scourge, deride me: I am dumb,
I keep my secret still.**

Altar Servers for the Triduum Servers are needed for all services over the Triduum - please sign up on the list in the sacristy.



**Fools! For I also had my hour;
One far fierce hour and sweet:
There was a shout about my ears,
And palms before my feet.**



Bethlehem Care and Hospice Trust - Thank you to Our Lady of Beauchief & St Thomas of Canterbury Parish for £263.69 raised from the Christmas crib.

More belated thanks for all the support for the Bethlehem Ball which was so well supported by this parish. The ball raised an amazing £9,200. Here's to this year's!! Thank you!

Events for the Coming Week
Monday 14th April 6.45pm SVP Meeting

Envelopes are available for your Easter offering for clergy. Christmas and Easter offering are a direct gift to our priests in recognition of their work.



Lenten Offertory Collections:

Thank you for your gifts of underwear today for Ben's Centre and for all your generosity throughout Lent.



6th Sunday of Lent: Small /medium underwear pants, vests and T Shirts, socks and size 7-10 shoes for Ben's Centre.



Mass Setting - New Celtic Liturgy
 Holy Holy 553; Memorial Acclamation 554;
 Amen 555; Lamb of God 591

Prayer for Good Friday

Lord Jesus, as we journey through Lent and stand before You on this Good Friday, we are humbled by the depth of Your love. You willingly endured suffering and bore the weight of our sins on the Cross to offer us redemption. Help us to reflect deeply on the magnitude of Your sacrifice. May we embrace our own crosses with faith and trust in Your divine plan, surrendering our burdens and sins at Your feet. As You declared, "It is finished," remind us of the fullness of Your surrender and the boundless mercy You offer for the salvation of the World. Amen.

Prayer for Palm Sunday

Lord Jesus, as we approach Holy Week, help us to follow You not only in moments of joy but also in times of suffering. Teach us to embrace humility as You did, emptying ourselves in love and obedience. May Your example of self-giving inspire us to walk faithfully in Your footsteps and live lives of true discipleship. Amen

This Week's Ministries Palm Sunday (C)

Readers	5.00 p.m.	V Coomer (1), D Fletcher (2), H Simmerson (N), A Southeran (C)
	9.15 a.m.	C Perryman (1), J Bourne (2), J Carter (N), D Winter (C)
	11.15 a.m.	M Pybus (1) J McNally (2), I Paterson (N), A Willcock (C)
Communion	5.00 p.m.	K Durkin, J Brook
	9.15 a.m.	A Tucker, A Tucker, S Jones
	11.15 a.m.	P Orkamfat, E Williamson, H Stones
Welcomers	9.15 a.m	Volunteer required
	11.15 a.m	A Willcock

Ministries for Holy Week, the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday

Maundy Thursday 8.00 p.m.

Communion	B Ayanleke, S Davey, P Corkell
Readers	1st Reading: C Farragher 2nd Reading: S Jones
Welcomers	Volunteers please

Good Friday 3.00 p.m.

Communion	P Ashby, V Coomer, S Campos
Readers	1st Reading: I Paterson 2nd Reading: H Simmerson Passion: J Carter (N), S Farragher (C) Solemn Intercessions: R Portaluri
Welcomers	S Campos, H Stones

Holy Saturday 8.30 p.m. Easter Vigil

Communion	A Tucker, K O'Brien, R Portaluri
Readers	F Green (1), D Fletcher (2), C Perryman (3) Mass Reading: A Willcock
Welcomers	

Easter Sunday

Communion(Totley)	9.00am	V Coomer, J Brook
	10.30 am	M Mahon, C Farragher, S Campos
Readers	9.00 am	D Fletcher, V Coomer
	10.30 am	S Jones, D Winter
Welcomers	9.00 am	S Jones