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*The
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of
Lent*



The Month of March is devoted to St Joseph

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT, LAETARE SUNDAY (A)

Sunday, 15th March 2026 Psalter Week 4

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Saturday (Totley)

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday

9.15 a.m. Mary and Tom Butterworth

11.15 a.m. Oliver Wragg

Monday

Lenten Feria

No Mass

Tuesday (Totley) ST PATRICK, BISHOP,
PATRON OF IRELAND

10.00 a.m.

10.30 a.m. Stations of the Cross

Wednesday

St Edward, martyr
St Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop

9.30 a.m. Stations of the Cross

10.00 a.m.

Thursday ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF
THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY

No Mass

Friday

Lenten Feria

12.00 p.m. Corazon Gilbert

Saturday

Lenten Feria

10.45 a.m. Agnes Eccles & Fred Willcock

Next Week's Masses

Saturday - Totley

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday - Meadowhead

9.15 a.m. Eileen and Matt Henderson

11.15 a.m. Fr Philip Caldwell

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 10.00am – 10.40am

Rosary - 10.00am

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 10.00am - 10.40am

Pray for our sick: Joe Parkin, Anne Grayson, John Grayson, Anne McPhee, Elizabeth Watson, Paul Smith, Philomena McNally, Brenda Charles, Helen Aulton, Stephen Bingley, Molly Upton, and Sue Jarman.

Lately dead: Fr Joseph Narikuzhi **RIP**

Responsorial Psalm: 23

R: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Offertory: Loose plate and envelopes total for 8th March 2026 was £282.82 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!

Events for the Coming Week

Monday 6.45pm SVP Meeting 16th March

Wednesday 6.15pm Rainbows and Brownies

Friday 12.30pm Lunch Club follows Mass

Registered Charity No 512021



TODAY Collection for LIFE - The annual diocesan collection for Life takes place this weekend, 15th March: Life is a nationwide charity offering counselling and support for crisis pregnancy and those suffering following an abortion. To find out more - and to donate online - visit the Life charity website <https://lifecharity.org.uk/the-charity/>

Ministries - The availability dates for the rota was sent out over a week ago. If you have not yet replied please do so as soon as possible. The next rota includes the Triduum and Easter, so it is especially important you let me know if you are available.

Several extra readers and Ministers of Communion are needed to cover Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

PLEASE ensure your replies are in **17th March**.

If you do not reply it will be assumed you are available for all dates throughout the period of the rota.

Stations of the Cross
During Lent There will be Stations of the Cross after Mass on Tuesdays at Totley and before Mass on Wednesdays, at 9.30 at Meadowhead.



Ampleforth Retreat 16th-18th April 2027

Not many places left!! You need to book now if you don't want to miss out!!

I have booked a retreat at Ampleforth for the weekend of 16th April NEXT year. At the moment the cost is £190 - this may go up slightly.



All rooms are en suite. If you would like to go please contact me as soon as possible. A £50 deposit is required on booking and this will secure your place. It will be on a first come first served basis. We had more people than places wanting to go last year so to be certain of a place please book quickly. Any questions please ask!

St Vincent's, Spring and Bloom Banquet The Spring & Bloom Banquet is a warm, community-led fundraising evening hosted by St Vincent's Furniture Project. Enjoy great food, music and company while helping us support over 3,000 people each year with essential furniture and household items. Sat 18 Apr 2026 6:30 pm - 11:30 pm. The Steamworks, S2 4SJ

Lenten Day of Reflection - 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>

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. Paper booking forms will be available in parishes within the next two weeks. For further information call 01302 247910 or 07724 650066 or email lourdesoffice@hallam-diocese.com.

Entrance Hymn

Rejoice in the Lord always: Again I say, Rejoice. (repeat)
Rejoice, rejoice, And again I say, Rejoice. (repeat)
Rejoice in the Lord always: Again I say, Rejoice. (repeat)

The Pope's Prayer Intention for March

For disarmament and peace Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

Our Parish Safeguarding representatives are: Angela Holman and Claire Parsons.
Email address: safeguarding.olst@hallam-diocese.com

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, phone 07808283807 know as soon as possible so that appropriate action can be taken promptly.

Lost valuables. Are you missing something? In addition to the usual suspects (small toys, spectacles/cases, umbrellas) there are some items of clothing in the lost property boxes on the far end of the press in the porch that we're sure their owners must be missing. In particular: a small size black leather jacket; a "Cerulean" white scarf; a "Select UK" black cardigan; a woolly hat. If any of these items are yours, please reclaim them in the next fortnight. Thank you.

Lunch Club - Don't forget that Lunch Club meets every Friday during term time for home-made soup and cakes. Interested in coming? Not got any transport? No problem! **New members always welcome!!** We can arrange for Transport 17 minibus to collect you. To find out more ring Penny Ashby on 0114 2366606.

Vintage & Collectables Roadshow - will be here in the parish hall and rooms on Thursday, 16th April between 11.00am – 3.00pm. They will be offering free valuations and will buy on the day, anything you wish to sell. There are no fees or commission.

Grace Food Bank are particularly short of the following: tinned meat, pasta sauce, tinned spaghetti hoops, etc, microwave rice, soup, tinned fruit, rice pudding, tinned peas/ carrots/sweetcorn, and jam but the shelves are severely depleted and they are grateful for every tin and packet that you can donate. For updates to the list and other information eg how to donate money or your time and skills, please check out <https://gracefoodbanksheffield.org.uk/> Thank you.



Parish Bank Details (for making payments to the parish)

Account Name: Diocese of Hallam Woodseats RC Parish

Account Number: 01095153 Sort Code: 40-41-07

If you wish to write a cheque, it should be made payable to: *Woodseats RC Parish Account*. Thank you.

ASCEND Earlier in the year you'll have seen that as a parish we sent, via Outreach, £750 to Ascend in Sheffield. This sum supports 1 young person (aged 18-25) through their programme towards employment. Could that be you? Check out www.ascendnow.org.uk Calling all employers: might you – or someone you know - be able to offer a work experience placement or a job opportunity to an Ascender? If so please get in touch using the contact form on the above site. Likewise if anyone is interested in becoming a mentor to help young people develop the skills and confidence they need to secure a job. Thank you.

Lenten Offertory Collections:

Throughout Lent we make greater efforts at self denial.

Thank you for your support today for LIFE <https://lifecharity.org.uk> .

22nd March - Next week will be the ongoing collection of Groceries etc for Grace Foodbank, now settling in to their new premises.

29th March - Small /medium underwear pants, vests & T- Shirts, socks and size 7-10 shoes - Ben's Centre.





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



Laetare Sunday - It is part of human nature that we cannot go on being penitent for a long time, or we sink into a settled and insincere gloom rather than working at the definite and active spiritual exercise called penance. The Church knows human nature, and both in Advent and Lent there is a moment where the atmosphere of penance and preparation is brightened by a shaft of light from the glorious season for which we are preparing. The third Sunday of Advent tells us 'Gaudete, rejoice!' because the Lord is near and the fourth Sunday of Lent says 'Laetare, Jerusalem, be joyful, Jerusalem, and all who love her!' because she herself is loved by the Lord.

Universalis

The feast day of St. Patrick is this Tuesday, 17 March. He was born of a Romano-British family, possibly in North Wales or Northern England, around the years 385 – 46. At 16 he was captured by Irish raiders and sold as a slave in Ireland. After some six years, he escaped back to Britain, but in a revelation he was told to go back to evangelise Ireland. As a missionary bishop, he endured many hardships and faced opposition even from friends and fellow Christians. He is remembered for his humility, simplicity and pastoral care, for his trust in God, and for his fearless preaching of the gospel. Over 30 years he made Ireland a Christian country, and monks from Ireland, brought the Christian faith back to parts of Europe. One of the few certainly authentic writings is his Confession, above all an act of homage to God for having called Patrick, unworthy sinner, to the apostolate.

Prayer for the Fourth Sunday of Lent

Lord God, in your surpassing wisdom
you reconcile man to yourself through your
Word.
Grant that your Christian people may come,
with eager faith and ready will,
to celebrate the Easter festival
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
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (A)**

First Reading: *1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a*
Responsorial Psalm: 23
Second Reading: *Ephesians 5:8-14*
Gospel: *John 9:1-41*

**Next Week's Readings
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (A)**

First Reading: *Ezekiel 37: 12-14*
Responsorial Psalm: 130
Second Reading: *Romans 8:8-11*
Gospel: *John 11:1-45*

A Family Prayer to St Joseph

Great St Joseph, you were chosen by God to be the Head of the Holy Family. Kindly look down upon us and bestow thy fatherly protection upon our home. Model of the most lively faith, obtain for all the members of our family the grace to believe firmly what God has revealed and to bear witness to our faith in all that we do. May we ever remain bound together by the ties of true Christian love in the unity of the Holy Catholic Church, and taste the peace that Jesus has promised his true disciples. Grant that we may all love one another as children of God, and work together for the salvation of souls, in order to fulfil our role in the great family of the Church and be reunited after this life in the happiness of heaven. Amen.

This Week's Ministries 14/15 March 2026

Readers	5.00 p.m.	V Coomer, H Simmerson
	9.15 a.m.	S Corker, K Corker
	11.15 a.m.	A Willcock, M Pybus
Communion	5.00 p.m.	K Durkin, J Brook
	9.15 a.m.	H Grady, D Winter, B Ayanleke
	11.15 a.m.	S Campos, P Orkamfat, P Corkell

Next Week's Ministries 21/22 March 2026

Readers	5.00 p.m.	A Southern, D Fletcher
	9.15 a.m.	J Fojut, C Perryman
	11.15 a.m.	B Jones, J McNally
Communion	5.00 p.m.	V Coomer, S Daley
	9.15 a.m.	C Parsons, N Parsons, R Gasser
	11.15 a.m.	H Stones, K O'Brien, E Williamson
Welcomers	9.15 a.m.	N Parsons
	11.15 a.m.	A Willcock