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The Month of November is devoted to the Holy Souls

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) Sunday, 16th November 2025

Saturday (Totley)

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday

9.15 a.m. Eamon Conway

11.15 a.m. Sheila and Harvey Dawson

Monday St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious

St Hilda of Whitby, abbess, St Hugh of Lincoln, bishop,

No Mass

Tuesday (Totley) Dedication of the Basilica of

Ss Peter and Paul, apostles

10.00 a.m. Dead List

Wednesday Feria

10.00 a.m. Eduardo Ross

Thursday St Edmund, king and martyr

No Mass

Friday The Presentation of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

12.00 p.m. Molly Dempsey

Saturday St Cecelia, virgin, martyr

10.45 a.m. Mgr Kilgannon

Events for the Coming Week

Monday 6.45pm SVP Meeting via Zoom

Wednesday 6.15pm Rainbows

7.15pm Brownies

Friday 12.30pm Lunch Club follows Mass

Next Week's Masses

Saturday - Totley

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday - Meadowhead

9.15 a.m. Fr Clement Abah

11.15 a.m. Noreen Twomey RIP

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: Nuala Jones, Philomena McNally, Anne McPhee, Anne-Marie Fletcher, Paul Smith,

Brenda Charles, Helen Aulton, Stephen Bingley, Molly Upton, Oliver Wragg,

Sheila Hurst, and Sue Jarman.

Lately dead: Margaret Bailey, Robert Meldrum (brother of Kath Corker)) RIP

Responsorial Psalm: 98

R: The Lord comes to judge the peoples

with fairness.

Offertory: Loose plate and envelopes total for 9th November 2025 is £284.79. 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!

Registered Charity No 512021

<u>If you notice anything</u> 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.

Next weekend there will be an appeal at all Masses and a retiring collection for The Spiritans (Holy Ghost Fathers) Founded in 1703, the Spiritans are a Roman Catholic Religious Congregation dedicated to sharing hope and love worldwide. Their mission is to evangelise the poor and the needy, pursue justice, foster peace, care for creation, inspired by Luke 4:18 and advance God's kingdom here on earth.

Today, more than 3,000 Spiritans from all continents bring this mission to life in over 60 countries, serving where the need is greatest—hospitals, parishes, prisons, schools, and refugee communities. We also support integral development for young people and work for justice globally.

Service for Survivors of Abuse...

...on **Wednesday 26 November** at 7.00pm at St. Theresa's Parish Hall, 311 Queen Mary Road, Sheffield S2 1EA. It will be a service of love and prayers celebrated by Bishop Ralph.

Everyone is welcome to stand with and by survivors of abuse, offering our love and prayers as an outward display of support for those who have been harmed by abuse.

Celebrating St Cecilia, the Patron Saint of Music: Next weekend, St Marie's Cathedral will be celebrating

St Marie's Cathedral will be celebrating St Cecilia through music!

On Saturday 22 November, the feast day of St Cecilia, there will be a short concert at 11.00am, sung Mass at 12.30pm, and then a Big Sing and Organ Concert starting at 2.30pm, to which everyone is very welcome. On Sunday 23 November, there will also be a special concert by Sheffield Chamber Choir; tickets will be £10 (£5 concessions) on the door.

See the poster in the porch for more information.

Advent Afternoon of Recollection Join Bishop Ralph for an Afternoon of Recollection on the eve of Advent, 29 November2:30-5:30 pm at the Hallam Pastoral Centre. Book on the Formation & Mission Eventbrite Page using this link or QR code https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/hallam-formation-and-mission-46212155433 Further details from the Formation and Mission team 0114 256 6410.

There are some Missio 2026 Calendars in the porch. Please take one. No charge. There is also a copy of their winter 2025 newsletter on the noticeboard.



RCIA - Journey In Faith Programme 2025-2026 Mondays 6.00pm

Our parish Journey in Faith programme is a course for all who wish to become a Catholic, for adult Catholics yet to receive their First Holy Communion or for Catholics who wish to learn more about their faith. Please come along.

First Holy Communion 2026 - Please note forms must be completed and returned by Sunday 30th November. The preparation course will commence in January. If you have not registered your intentions to take part by 30th January, you will not be able to take part next year.

The SVP will be holding a senior parishioners' Christmas party on Saturday 29th November in the parish hall. The party will start at 2 pm. We will be issuing invitations but, to make sure that we don't miss anyone, if you would like to attend or you know of anyone who would like to to be there please let Ralph (07913979217) or Frances (07850048271) know. Transport to and from the event will be provided.

Please sign the list at the back of church if you are able to provide any refreshments and food.

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100 CLUB OCTOBER 2025 DRAW

1ST PRIZE PAUL EMBLEY

2ND PRIZE ALEXIS TUCKER

3RD PRIZE KATH EMBLEY

IF YOU'RE NOT IN IT, YOU CAN'T WIN IT!

Contact Barbara: <u>b_rich54@hotmail.com</u> 07725 023708 or in person

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St Wilfrid's Centre Reverse Advent Calendar is available as a PDF to download. Each day from December 1st to the 25th is marked with easy-to-get items or small donations of money for you to add to a box or a bag. Once completed drop off your collection at the Centre after 5 January. Each item donated will help towards our work supporting vulnerable adults in our community.



Parish Raffle – it's still not too late to return your raffle tickets. Many thanks to everyone who has already done so. After last weekend the takings from ticket sales totalled £652.50. Hopefully that total will be boosted by monies returned today. Even if you've still got tickets at BUY RAFFLE home, you can drop them in at church during this coming week or bring them along next weekend, as the raffle will not be drawn until the end of our Coffee, Cakes and Crackers event next Sunday (see below). And if you've not bought any tickets yet, you can still buy some at the event itself.

Prize donations – a really big thank you to everyone who has donated raffle prizes in kind and in cash. This, together with other cash donations towards raffle expenses, means we will raise even more money for our Outreach partners in Sheffield and overseas.

Coffee, Cakes & Crafts next Sunday 23rd November 10am -1pm in the Parish Hall, Meadowhead, with Gifts, Crafts, Books, Cakes, Games, Gaelic Coffees, Bacon Butties.... Concluding with our Grand Parish Outreach Raffle. Come and join us to meet friends and celebrate our Outreach partners' work at home and abroad.

WANTED Please: More bottles of all kinds for the Bottle Stall asap, good holiday reads for the Book Stall and more of vour vummy Cakes, - all very welcome on the day. Thanks for all contributions.

Grace Foodbank - in addition to the usual requests, we will be collecting till 23rd November items from their Christmas Wishlist:

FOOD: Christmas biscuits, cakes, chocolate mini rolls, sweets. Chocolates, coins, selection boxes etc anything that looks festive! Pringles, cheddars or similar crisps in cardboard tubes (more robust for packing). Bottles of fizzy grape juice or similar. Tins of salmon, ham etc. Instant custard or tins/cartons of custard. SMALL boxes of crackers/biscuits for cheese. Christmas puddings. Boxes of mince pies – All with a Best Before date that's after 25th December and nothing that needs refrigerating, contains alcohol or is fragile.

GIFTS: Unwrapped please! Toiletry gift sets for adults and for older teenagers (male and female). Books board books for toddlers, picture books for pre-school children and "fun" stories for older children. Toys and games - new or nearly new please. Felt tips/coloured pencils. Colouring books/activity books (particularly chunky crayons suitable for age 1+)

MONEY: This will fill any gaps, buy festive items for clients with special dietary needs and buy some fresh produce eg chicken, cheese, bacon, butter, sausages and satsumas. Cheques can be made payable to Grace Food Bank and marked "for Christmas" on the envelope. Thank you.

There are several job adverts for various schools vacancies in the Maltby and Bircotes areas in the open plastic folder in the porch.

Dore Male Voice Choir's Christmas concert is at Christ MEN'S CHOIR Church, Dore, on 11th - 13th December at 7pm? Tickets £12.50 from Simon Jones (07808 283807) or via the Choir's websitewww.doremalevoicechoir.com/concerts. The church is recently refurbished so should be more comfortable!!

For Sale - Multiyork 3 piece suite.

Large 2 seater and 2 armchairs. Recently reupholstered and re-covered. Excellent condition. £500 or nearest reasonable offer. Contact 07971463720 Must be able to collect.

PARISH WHATSAPP GROUP COMING SOON

We are delighted to announce that we are launching a new Parish WhatsApp group, as a new way to stay connected as a Parish family sharing parish news, events, and celebrating the life of our community. Membership and use of the WhatsApp group will mean that you accept, and agree to abide by, some simple guidelines, details of which will be provided to anyone interested in joining. Please note that the Parish WhatsApp Community will only be for members of our parish who are over the age of 18.

There will be more information in the coming weeks, so watch this space!

Personnel Column

Congratulations to Aidan and Anna Parsons on the birth of daughter, Charlotte Grace on 30th October.

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



Christ the Saviour, Gloria 1013, Holy Holy 1014, Memorial acclamation 1016-1017, Amen 1018, Lamb of God 1019.



World Day of the Poor TODAY. Pope Leo XIV has declared Sunday 16 November to be the ninth World Day of the Poor, with the theme of "You are my hope" - taken from the Psalmist's cry "You, O Lord, are my hope" (*Ps* 71:5).

In his message for this day the Holy Father urges us to recognise those experiencing poverty as "witnesses to a strong and steadfast hope, precisely because they embody it in the midst of uncertainty, poverty, instability and marginalisation".

Today we are urged to offer friendship, welcome and solidarity and to the poorest of our sisters and brothers. As we reach out with love and support, let us hold all of our global family in our prayers.

Read the Pope's full message here https:// www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/messages/poor/

Prayer for the World Day of the Poor *A place at the table*

God our Father, we give you thanks for the abundance of your creation, and the generosity of your gifts.

We are sorry that amongst us are so many people who are excluded from the feast, prepared by you for us all.

May your Spirit inspire us and lead us as we seek change, so that hunger and poverty are no longer a scar and a scandal in our world.

May your Spirit guide us as we seek change, so everybody has enough food to flourish and a place at the table you spread for all.

CAFOD

This Friday, 21 November, is the **feast of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**.

First celebrated in the 6th century in Jerusalem, where a church was built in its honour, it became a feast of the universal Church in the 1500's. As with Mary's birth, we read of this event only in apocryphal literature, in what is recognised as an unhistorical account, the *Protoevangelium of James*. Though it cannot be proven historically, Mary's presentation has an important theological purpose. It continues the impact of the feasts of the Immaculate Conception and of the birth of Mary. It shows that the holiness conferred on Mary from the beginning of her life on earth continued through her early childhood and beyond.

Prayer for the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lord, our God give us grace to serve you always with joy, because our full and lasting happiness is to make of our lives a constant service

to the Author of all that is good.

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

This Week's Readings Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

First Reading: Malachi 4:1-2a Responsorial Psalm: 98

Second Reading: Thessalonians 3:7-12

Gospel: *Luke 21:5-19*

Next Week's Readings Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (C)

First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3
Responsorial Psalm: 46

Second Reading: Colossians 1:12-20

Gospel: *Luke 23:35-43*

This Week's Ministries 15/16 November 2025

Readers 5.00 p.m. V Coomer, A Southeran

9.15 a.m. R Portaluri, A Peacey

11.15 a.m. B Jones, M Paterson

Communion 5.00 p.m. K Durkin, V Coomer

9.15 a.m. S Jones, B Ayanleke, R Portaluri

11.15 a.m. P Orkamfat, E Williamson, M Harrison

Next Week's Ministries 22/23 November 2025

Readers 5.00 p.m. D Fletcher, H Simmerson

9.15 a.m. S Corker, K Corker

11.15 a.m. J McNally, M Pybus

Communion 5.00 p.m. S Davey, J Brook

9.15 a.m. P Ashby, B Ayanleke, R Portaluri

11.15 a.m. H Stones, S Campos, K O'Brien

Welcomers 9.15 a.m. S Jones

11.15 a.m. A Willcock