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The Month of July is devoted to The Precious Blood of Jesus

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 17 July 2022 Psalter Week 4

Saturday (Totley)

5.00 p.m. Patrick Durkin

Sunday

9.15 a.m. People of the Parish

11.15 a.m. James & Irene Styring

Monday *Feria*

No Mass

Tuesday (Totley) *Feria*

NO MASS

Wednesday St Appolinaris, bishop, martyr

NO MASS

Thursday St Laurence of Brindisi, bishop,
doctor of the Church

No Mass

Friday ST MARY MAGDALENE

12.30 p.m. Requiem for Joseph Donnelly

Saturday ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN,
PATRON OF EUROPE

No Mass

Next week's Masses

Saturday (Totley)

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday (Meadowhead)

9.15 a.m. Grandparents & the Elderly

11.15 a.m. Arthur & Mary Willcock

Saturday

Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 10.30am – 11.30am

Please Pray for:

Our sick: Josie Bratt, Fr Michael
O'Connor, Pauline Souflas, Teddy
Howes and David Gage.

Lately dead: Fr Denis Norman,
Joseph Donnelly RIP

Responsorial Psalm: 14

R. Lord, who shall be admitted to your
tent?

Events for the Coming Week

Monday SVP Parish Rooms 8-9.pm 25th July

Tuesday Exploring Faith 7.30pm - 9.00pm

Wednesday Rainbows 6.15pm (Parish Rooms)

Brownies 6.15pm (Hall)

Thursday Church Play Group 9.30am -11.00am

PLEASE NOTE: MASSES THIS WEEK - As Fr Stephen will be on retreat, there will be no Mass at Totley on Tuesday or at Meadowhead on Wednesday this week. On Friday there is a Requiem Mass for Joseph Donnelly at **12.30pm**. This replaces the usual 12.00 Mass.

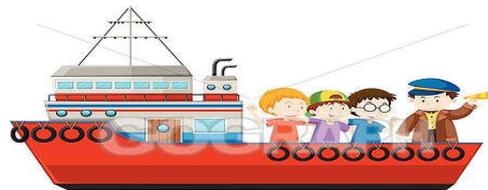
Sea Sunday TODAY

Every year, in July, churches around the world celebrate Sea Sunday. It is a day for people to come together to pray for seafarers and fishers, and thank them for the vital role they play in all of our lives.

Seafarers and fishers often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break away from the relentless noise and pressure on-board. Many are reporting more stress and poorer mental health.

Apostleship of the Sea (now known as Stella Maris) was established in Glasgow in 1920 to support seafarers in need. 100 years later it is the largest ship visiting network in the world, providing seafarers with practical and pastoral support, information, and a friend in times of need. The nature of their work has evolved over the years, but their founding belief that every seafarer deserves fair working conditions, respect for their human rights and the very best that can be offered remains at the heart of what they do. At present there are 1,000 chaplains and volunteers in 330 ports across 60 countries from Australia to the USA.

You can support the work of Stella Maris by donating **at today's retiring collection**, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. Our support makes a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need by helping Stella Maris continue their important work. Find out more about the work of Stella Maris from the materials on the offertory and repository tables. Thank you.



Caritas Hallam Report 2022



Caritas Diocese of Hallam (formerly known as Hallam Caring Services) is part of the worldwide network of organisations in the Catholic Church putting into action the social teaching of the Church to reach out to those in need and to build a world based on justice and love.

Periodically, we aim to produce a report to highlight the work of Caritas Hallam that features articles to show the fantastic

work of some of our young people within the Diocese, together with details of projects that help the most vulnerable in our society.

Due to Covid, the usual report was delayed and has been incorporated into the current Caritas Report. Please support our work by reading and sharing the online report: [Caritas-Report-2022.pdf \(hallam-diocese.com\)](https://www.hallam-diocese.com/Caritas-Report-2022.pdf)

The 12th Annual GK Chesterton Pilgrimage will take place this year on the hundredth anniversary of GKC being received into the Catholic Church, Saturday 30th July. Please send any prayer requests to; CatholicGKCSociety@yahoo.co.uk or text them to 07795205114. Details of the many different ways in which you can be involved on the day, as well as printable GKC prayer cards can be found on our website, www.CatholicGKChestertonSociety.co.uk

Over the years we have raised over £15,000 for Good Counsel with sponsorship from the Pilgrimage. Donations can be made here, <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/gkcwalk22>

Grace Foodbank many thanks for your ongoing support, both in church and in store.



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Praying for, supporting and celebrating Grandparents and the Elderly

Pope Francis has asked the Catholic Church to pray in a special way for the elderly during the month of July. This follows requests to pray for families in June and for young people in May, and coincides with the celebration of the **second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly next Sunday, July 24.**

“We cannot speak about family without talking about the importance of the elderly among us,” Pope Francis said in a video message released on 30 June. ‘We elderly people often have a special sensitivity for care, for reflection, and affection. We are, or we can become, teachers of tenderness. We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people, that their experience and wisdom will help those who are younger to look to the future with hope and responsibility.

The World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly is an opportunity to proclaim once more, with joy, that the Church wants to celebrate together with all those whom the Lord – in the words of the Bible – has “filled with days”. Let us celebrate it together!

I ask you to make this Day known in your parishes and communities; to seek out those elderly persons who feel most alone, at home or in residences where they live. Let us make sure no one feels alone on this day. Expecting a visit can transform those days when we think we have nothing to look forward to; from an initial encounter, a new friendship can emerge. Visiting the elderly who live alone is a work of mercy in our time!”

CARITAS - British Sign Language Service



As part of our growing provision, Caritas Hallam is looking to create a database of parishioners who are willing and able to provide BSL services to the Diocese of Hallam on an ad hoc basis. This might be for example at a marriage service where BSL would be a welcome enhancement to the service or it might be as a request from a Parish Priest for a BSL signed Mass.

If you are a parishioner that would be willing and able to provide BSL service, please get in touch with Caritas Hallam for more details on 0114 256 6407 or email gshaw@hallam-diocese.com

8 things you didn't know about the food system:

5. One third of the food we produce is wasted

Around one-third of all food produced globally is lost or wasted. That's 1.3 billion tonnes of food every year being thrown away globally. The land it takes to provide just the food that we throw away is bigger than the size of India, and the water it takes is equivalent to 300 million Olympic swimming pools. One study found that, in the UK, 9 per cent of strawberries and 19 per cent of lettuces grown ended up as waste.

More at <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Campaigning-news/Food-8-things-you-didn-t-know>



Volunteers Needed for Carmel Care Do you have 2 hours a week to spare? Would you like to support our community at the Carmel Care Centre? We are seeking committed and caring individuals to support our activity sessions on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. We are interested in hearing from those who have a skill or interest to share with others, for example any kind of creative arts, music or baking? To find out more please contact Janet Kent on 07927 657462 or email Janet at jkent@hallam-diocese.com. The centre is based at 172 Dykes Hall Rd, Sheffield S6 4GS.

The Centre welcomes new members to join us on Tuesdays and Wednesdays for lunch and activities. We are a caring and welcoming group with plenty of space for new members. To find out more please contact Janet Kent - details as above.

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I'm hoping to come second and then I'll start plotting against the winner'

Thought for the Week: prayer and action

In the first reading today, Abraham is rewarded for his hospitality to God - in the guise of a traveller - with the promise of a son for his wife Sarah. In the Gospel passage Martha and Mary welcome Jesus on his travels, but Martha seems poorly rewarded for her hard work and hospitality when Jesus suggests she is fussing over trivialities, whilst praising Mary for sitting and listening to him.

This passage can perhaps best be understood as complementing the parable of the Good Samaritan, which immediately precedes it in chapter 10 of Luke's Gospel. The Good Samaritan parable shows the importance of action (or practical love) in the life of the disciple. The account of Martha and Mary emphasises the need for prayer and contemplation. Both practical love and prayer/contemplation are essential in our lives as Christians.

St Mary Magdalene

This Friday, 22 July, is the feast day of **St Mary Magdalene**. Except for the mother of Jesus, few women are more honoured in the Bible. Mary Magdalene was one of the many "who were assisting Jesus and the Twelve out of their means." She was one of those who stood by the cross of Jesus with his mother. And, of all the "official" witnesses who might have been chosen for the first awareness of the Resurrection, she was the one to whom that privilege was given.

Mary Magdalene has been a victim of mistaken identity for almost 20 centuries. Which - if any - of the "sinful" or "possessed" women referred to in various passages in the Gospels was she? She would no doubt insist that it makes no difference. We are all sinners in need of the saving power of God, whether our sins have been lurid or not.

On Saturday 23 July we celebrate the feast of **St Bridget of Sweden**. Born in 1303, from age 7 on, Bridget had visions of Christ crucified. Her visions formed the basis for her activity, but always with the emphasis on charity. She lived a married life in the court of King Magnus II. Mother of eight children, she lived the strict life of a penitent after her husband's death. Magnus gave her land and buildings to found a monastery for men and women, which led to the formation of the Bridgettine order. She worked hard in Rome to reform abuses in the Church at that time. She died there in 1373 following a penitential pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, whose feast day is on Wednesday, lived from 1559 to 1619. Born Caesare Russo, he entered the Capuchin Franciscan Order and received the name of Lawrence. He completed his studies of philosophy and theology at Padua and was ordained a priest at the age of 23. With his facility for languages, Lawrence was able to study the Bible in its original texts and to be a great teacher. He combined academic brilliance with human compassion and administrative skill, and was elected minister general of the Capuchins. He was responsible for great growth and geographical expansion of the Order.

A Prayer for Seafarers

O Mary, Star of the Sea, light of every ocean,
guide seafarers across all dark and stormy seas
that they may reach the haven of peace and light
prepared in Him who calmed the sea.

As we set forth upon the oceans of the world
and cross the deserts of our time,
show us, O Mary, the fruit of your womb,
for without your Son we are lost.

Pray that we will never fail on life's journey,
that in heart and mind, work and deed,
in days of turmoil and in days of calm,
we will always look to Christ and say,
"Who is this that even wind and sea obey him?"

Our Lady of Peace, pray for us!
Bright Star of the Sea, guide us!

This Week's Readings Sixteenth Sunday of the Year

First Reading: *Genesis 18:1-10*

Responsorial Psalm: 14

Second Reading: *Colossians 1:24-28*

Gospel: *Luke 10: 38-42*

Next Week's Readings Seventeenth Sunday of the Year

First Reading: *Genesis 18:20-32*

Responsorial Psalm: 137

Second Reading: *Colossians 2:12-14*

Gospel: *Luke 11: 1-13*

This week's ministries:

Readers:

5.00pm: E Watson, A Southeran

9.15am: C Perryman, J Fojut

11.15am: A Willcock, F Glaze

Communion:

9.15am: E Grant

11.15am: J McNally

Next week's ministries for 23/24 July

Readers	5.00 p.m.	V Coomer, H Simmerson
	9.15 a.m.	S Farragher, F Green
	11.15 p.m.	M Pybus, M Richardson
Communion	9.15 a.m.	R Gasser
	11.15 a.m.	J Tucker
Welcomers	9.15 a.m.	Volunteer needed
	11.15 a.m.	A Willcock