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The Month of November is devoted to The Holy Souls

ALL SAINTS
Sunday, 1st November 2026 Psalter Week 3

Saturday (Totley)	
5.00 p.m.	People of the Parish
Sunday	
9.15 a.m.	Kate Phelan
11.15 a.m.	Brenda Charles ✝
Monday	**ALL SOULS**
10.00 a.m. (Totley)	Dead List
7.00 p.m. (M/Head)	Mass of Remembrance
Tuesday (Totley)	*St Winifride, virgin* *St Martin de Porres, religious*
10.00 a.m.	Dead List
Wednesday	St Charles Borromeo, bishop
10.00 a.m.	D B Santos ✝
Thursday	*Feria*
No Mass	
Friday	*Feria*
12.00 p.m.	Dead List
Saturday	*St Willibrord, bishop*
10.45 a.m.	

Events for the Coming Week

Monday	6.45pm	SVP Meeting 9th November
Wednesday	6.15pm	Rainbows and Brownies
Thursday	6.00pm	Journey in Faith 12th Nov
Friday	12.30pm	Lunch Club follows Mass

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

Registered Charity No 512021

Next week's Masses

Totley - Saturday
5.00 p.m.
Meadowhead - Sunday
9.15 a.m People of the Parish
11.15 a.m. Harry & Minnie Richardson ✝

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: Isabelle Wragg, Tom O'Brien, Norah Chisholm, Dermot Glackin, Paul Smith, Anne & John Grayson, Anne McPhee, Philomena McNally, Helen Aulton, Sue Jarman, and Stephen Bingley.

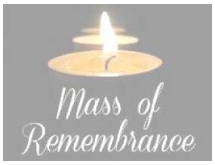
Lately dead: Sean Flynn RIP

Responsorial Psalm: *24*
R: Such are the people who seek your face, O Lord.

Offertory: Loose plate and envelopes total for 18th & 25th October 2026 was £580.49. Thank you.

Hospital? If you know you are going into hospital and you would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, please let Fr Clement know beforehand and he will visit you before you are admitted.

All Souls Day – There will be a morning Mass at 10.00am at Totley
In the evening **there will be a Mass of Remembrance** – at 7.00pm. The evening Mass will be a ***Family Memorial Mass*** when we remember, give thanks, and pray for family and friends who have died (not just the dead from our own parish). Please come along. This service is for everyone - and please invite people you know as well, especially those bereaved in the past two years.



During the Mass, there will be an opportunity to light candles in remembrance of those who have died.
Refreshments will be served in the parish rooms afterwards. Everyone is welcome – not just the bereaved.

November Memorial List - NOVEMBER is the month when we pray for the dead. Our faith in the resurrection encourages us to pray in hope for the forgiveness of their sins and the gift of eternal life. Each parish community brings this prayer together for all its relatives, friends and benefactors in Masses (the Memorial List) offered throughout the year. If you would like your family and relatives to be included there are forms in church for the November Memorial List. Please take one and fill it in with the SURNAME(S) of the family(ies) you would like remembered. (*Please note, these people will be remembered collectively in Masses* that are for the memorial list. They will NOT be said individually.) When you have completed your form please return it with your offering to church. Many thanks.

SVP - Thank you very much to all those who attended the SVP coffee morning last week.We would particularly like to thank those who demonstrated a craft. We plan to repeat this event and wondered who else in the parish has a craft skill that they would be happy to come along and demonstrate and help others to have a go? The types of things we are thinking of include card making, drawing, knitting, embroidery, painting, working with wood, crochet, sketching and drawing, jewellery making etc. If you have a skill that you would be willing to share in this way, could you please let Ralph Dickins (07913 979217) or Frances Green (07850048271) know. A date for your diary: The SVP's Christmas Party for senior parishioners will be held in the hall at OLST on 5th December between 2 and 5. We will be issuing invitations but, if you would like at attend or know of anyone you think we should invite, please let Ralph or Frances know.

ANNUAL SAFEGUARDING EVENT
"Every Interaction can be an Intervention"



How collaborative working across our communities can help to make a positive difference ON: Saturday 14th NOVEMBER 2026 9.45am – 4.00pm at: St. Peter-in-Chains, Chequer Road, Doncaster, DN1 2AA For further information please see the poster at the back of church.

RCIA - Journey In Faith Programme 2026 – 2027

JOURNEY OF FAITH

The Journey in Faith Group meets fortnightly on Thursday evenings at 6pm. The next session will be on 12th November.

Parish Outreach meeting 7.30pm Monday 9th November. All welcome. Please contact david.angela.wood@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

Singers needed - I would love to get at least 3 people (adults and children) but hopefully very many more of us together to learn and then sing at Mass, Mozart's "Ave Verum Corpus" which is absolutely exquisite. Google "Ave Verum Corpus K618" and you will know what I mean. It's only about two and half minutes long (46 bars). It is written for four voices so literally anyone can participate (Mozart wrote it for a typical church choir not requiring any significant musicality). I have the sheet music but you won't need to be able to read it as I will give you a recording of the part to which your voice is best suited and we'll get together now and again to practise until it is worthy to be offered reverently at Communion one day, possibly next Easter. If you like to sing in the bath or at karaoke nights or even once a week in church you will be more than good enough to do this and you will be glad you did. Mozart's Ave Verum Corpus is balm for the soul. Text or WhatsApp or email me to let me know you're up for it. Thanks in advance. Simon Jones 07808 283807 simonjonesathome@btinternet.com

Hearing Aid Loop System – Please note the loop is currently not working. We are doing our best to get it up and running – please bear with us.

The newsletter – You may notice the newsletter looks slightly different. Publisher has been withdrawn and we are trying out new ways for the newsletter. It will probably look completely different when we have finished making changes! Watch this space . . .!

If you notice anything on or around the church premises which has the potential to cause harm or requires repair, please let Simon Jones (phone 07808283807), Fr Clement or Liz Mason know as soon as possible so that appropriate action can be taken promptly. **Please ensure you always use the handrail when ascending and descending the steps outside church and the parish rooms.**

Parish Raffle - tickets please: Thanks to all who took tickets for the parish raffle, so far it's raised £162.50. Can we encourage you to return tickets preferably sold (but also any unsold tickets)? Remember, all the money raised goes directly to our Outreach partners abroad and in Sheffield. We support 3 Projects abroad including: "Reaching the Unreached" providing shelter and education for children in S. India; and 10 in Sheffield including: Ben's Centre, a day centre for the homeless; ASSIST, which helps asylum seekers; Samaritans; and Grace Foodbank for people struggling in our own area of S8.



In past years many kind people have donated prizes in kind (chocolates / bottles /vouchers/ cosmetics etc) If you would like to help this year, we would be very grateful. Prizes can be left at the sacristy or presbytery labelled "raffle prize" over the next few weeks, and bottles of any kind for the Bottle Stall would be very welcome too. Thank you again.

There are currently some older children in our parish who have not received the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). Together with parishes in other dioceses the number of such children coming forward to be received into the Church grows each year. Older children (those aged seven and above who have reached "catechetical age) should generally be baptised and received into the Catholic Church through an adapted form of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Some individuals have come to our attention through informal conversations. Maybe there are others? Maybe your child is one? We would like to help these children and their families to grow in faith and the love of Jesus. If you have an older child who has not been baptised and you, and they, would like to find out more, please give your names to Fr Clement.

BETHLEHEM BALL

The Bethlehem Ball fundraising evening is on Saturday, 14th November at the Crown Plaza Victoria Hotel. There are still some places available. Tickets are £47.50 each for a 3-course meal and tea or coffee. Please consider coming and help raise fund for the **BETHLEHEM CARE & HOSPICE TRUST**. Just by coming you are helping with this very worthy cause. There will be a live auction running all night, as well as a tombola – so plenty of opportunities for you to buy or win that perfect Christmas present for someone! There is also a raffle with a **first prize of £500. Please contact** Liz Mason, Cathal Farragher or Joe McNally for tickets. ***We also need prizes for the tombola – if you have any you can donate it would be very much appreciated. Thank you.***

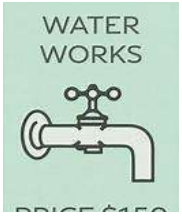
Friday Lunch Club. We are still looking for one more cake maker working on a 4 week rota. We would remind everyone that expenses for both soups and cakes are available. We do not expect anyone to be out of pocket. Please contact me at pammy.walsh@outlook.com or 07704831251 if you feel that you may be able to help.

A votive Mass for the dead, set to Gregorian chant, will be offered on Friday 13th November, at 7pm at St Michael's Cemetery Chapel, Rivelin. Fr Lee Marshall celebrant. Parking in the Chapel car park is limited, so please consider parking on Rivelin Valley Road. The path to the chapel is not well lit so a torch would be advisable.

1st Sunday collections: Thank you for your support today for Give to Live and St Wilfrid's.

Read all about it!!
Hallam Catholic Voice – This is our new diocesan monthly paper. It is full of news from parishes all over the diocese and it's free!! Please take one.

Water Works on Greenhill Road – Greenhill Road at the back of church will be completely closed and cut off to all cars between Wednesday, 18th November to Friday 20th inclusive. No cars will be able to park there on those days. Please take note if you attend Mass on Wednesdays or Fridays.



A message from our Safeguarding Reps Angela and Helen

We will be in the parish rooms on Friday 20th November from 9am -10.45 am, for a drop in for anyone with safeguarding questions or to verify documents. We would also like to remind anyone who is involved in work with our young people or vulnerable adults, that they do need to speak to one of us to discuss Safeguarding procedures and DBS checks.

Calligraphy? Do we have anyone in the parish who can do calligraphy? We need some books inscribed which have been donated to the parish.
Please let Liz Mason or Fr Clement know if you can help. Thank you.

Hospital Chaplaincy: When a Catholic is admitted to hospital, **it is essential** that they are recorded as Catholic on their medical records AND that the Catholic Chaplain, **Fr Andrew or Sr Anne Ihunnia** is notified. The Chaplaincy Office number is 0114 2715485 or email the chaplaincy at sth.chaplaincy@nhs.net

Mass of Christ the Saviour
Gloria 1013 **Holy, Holy, Holy** 1014
Memorial Acclamation 1016-1017 **Amen** 1018 **Lamb of God** 1019

About All Saints Day

The earliest certain observance of a feast in honour of all the saints is an early fourth-century commemoration of "all the martyrs." Later, when Christians were free to worship according to their consciences, the Church acknowledged other paths to sanctity.

In the early centuries the only criterion was popular acclaim, even when the bishop's approval became the final step in placing a commemoration on the calendar. The first papal canonisation occurred in 993.

The lengthy process now required to prove extraordinary sanctity has developed over the last 500 years. Today's feast honours the obscure as well as the famous - the saints each of us have known.

About All Souls Day (this Monday)

The Church has encouraged prayer for the dead from the earliest times as an act of Christian charity. In the middle of the 11th century, Saint Odilo, abbot of Cluny, France, decreed that all Cluniac monasteries offer special prayers and sing the Office for the Dead on November 2, the day after the feast of All Saints. The custom spread from Cluny and was finally adopted throughout the Roman Church.

The feast acknowledges human frailty. Since few people achieve perfection in this life but go to the grave still scarred with traces of sinfulness, some period of purification seems necessary before a soul comes face-to-face with God. What this process of purification is like, it is perhaps not helpful for us to speculate. Prayer for a loved one is, for the believer, a way of erasing any distance, even death. In prayer we stand in God's presence in the company of someone we love, even if that person has gone before us into death. Naturally, we will remember especially family members and good friends, but we should also think of those who may not have anyone to remember them.

Prayer for All Saints Day

Almighty ever-living God,
we are celebrating with joy
the triumph of your grace in all the saints.
With so vast a multitude praying for us,
may we receive from you
the fullness of mercy we have always desired.
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
Solemnity of All Saints

First Reading: *Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14*

Responsorial Psalm: *24*

Second Reading: *1 John 3:1-3*

Gospel: *Matthew 5:1-12a*

Next Week's Readings (A)
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: *Wisdom 6:12-16*

Responsorial Psalm: *63*

Second Reading: *1 Thessalonians 4:13-18*

Gospel: *Matthew 25:1-13*

This Wednesday, 4 November, is the feast day of St Charles Borromeo, a saint of the Catholic Counter-Reformation in the second half of the 16th century. Born in 1538, he was appointed a cardinal and bishop of Milan where the religious and moral life was in urgent needed of renewal. If the people were to be converted, Borromeo had to lead by example. He sacrificed wealth, high honours, esteem, and influence to become poor. During plague and famine in1576, he tried to feed 60,000 to 70,000 people daily. To do this he borrowed large sums of money that took years to repay. Whilst the civil authorities fled at the height of the plague, he stayed in the city, ministering to the sick and the dying, helping those in want. Work and the heavy burdens of his office affected his health, leading to his death at the age of 46.

This Week's Ministries 31 October/1 November 2026

Readers	5.00p.m.	D Fletcher, A Southeran
	9.15a.m.	J Bourne, F Green
	11.15a.m.	A Willcock, I Paterson
Communion	5.00p.m.	V Coomer, S Davey
	9.15a.m.	S Jones, M Ayanleke, R Portaluri
	11.15a.m.	P Orkamfat, K O'Brien, S Campos

Next Week's Ministries 7/8 November 2026

Readers	5.00p.m.	D Hilliard, A Southeran
	9.15a.m.	D Winter, J Fojut
	11.15a.m.	M Richardson, M Pybus
Communion	5.00p.m.	H Simmerson, K Durkin
	9.15a.m.	C Parsons, N Parsons, H Grady
	11.15a.m.	H Stones, J McNally, M Harrison
Welcomers	9.15a.m.	N Parsons
	11.15a.m.	S Reynolds