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The Month of March is devoted to Saint Joseph



PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION Sunday 24 March 2024 Psalter Week 2



Saturday (Totley)

5.00 p.m.

Sunday

Pat Udall

9.15 a.m.Eileen and Matt Henderson11.15 a.m.People of the Parish

Holy Monday

No Mass

7.30 p.m.

Holy Tuesday

10.00 a.m. (Totley) Mary Willcock

Spy Wednesday

11.00 a.m. Chrism Mass *at the Cathedral*

Penitential Service

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

Maundy Thursday - Mass of the Last Supper

8.00 p.m. Becky Robinson

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		
8.00 p.m.	Dermot Doherty RIP	

Please Pray for: Our sick:

David Gage, Helen Aulton, Stephen Bingley, Anne Grayson, Pauline Souflas, Paul Smith, Teddy Howes, and Fr Michael O'Connor.

Next week's Masses - Easter Sunday

Totley

9.00 a.m. People of the Parish

Meadowhead

9.15 a.m. Bryan Hunt RIP

11.15 a.m. Anne Moisey

Responsorial Psalm: *21* **R:** My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

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





Services for Holy Week and Easter 27th March, Spy Wednesday 7.30pm - Penitential Service 28th March, Maundy Thursday Mass of the Last Supper 8.00pm 29th March, Good Friday - Stations of the Cross 10.00am Good Friday - Liturgy of The Lord's Passion 3.00pm 30th March, Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil 8.00pm 31st March, Easter Sunday - 9.00am Mass at Totley; 9.15am & 11.15am Mass at Meadowhead

Time to be Reconciled? Penitential Service this Wednesday, 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 Wednesday's Penitential Service at Meadowhead at 7.30 pm?

Our First Holy Communion candidates will be making their **First Confessions** this week (during a separate event just for them), so please keep them in your prayers as well.

Children's Passion Liturgy on Good Friday During the 3pm Liturgy on Good Friday, there will be a simple retelling of the Passion story for younger children in the Hall, with reflective activities to help them engage with themes of the day. All children who have not made their First Holy Communion (including babies and toddlers) 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.	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. 12 Volunteers Needed!! - for the <i>Washing of the Feet</i> at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday at 8.00pm. Please see Kathleen or Tony or Kevan Grady - or send an email to the parish address. Thank you
Church Cleaning at Meadowhead There will be cleaning at Meadowhead, on Tuesday morning at 11.30am . <u>PLEASE, PLEASE</u> give an hour or whatever you can and come and help to make the church fit for the Risen Lord.	Church Cleaning at Totley for Easter will be on Tuesday 26th March 10.45am -12.30pm. Please come along and help if you can. Many hands make light work.
If you can spare some time this week to help tidy up the Parish Gardens at OLST before Easter, it would be great to witness the Resurrection of New Life there too – and is much appreciated by all who pass by. Thank you! .and any bedding plants you'd like to offer for instant Easter colour and hope in the Parish Gardens would be very welcome too. Thank you!	Attention all Eucharistic Ministers, Readers and Welcomers: The new rota, through to the end of May 2024 comes into operation this weekend. If you didn't receive your copy electronically last week, hard copies are available at the back of both churches.
Altar Servers for the Triduum Maundy Thursday: Please arrive at 6.45pm if possible for a practice before Mass. Good Friday and Easter Vigil: The practice for	Music for the Triduum and Easter: The final music choir practices are this Monday 25 March at 5.00 pm, and Tuesday 26 March at 8.00 pm (both at

both will be at 11.00am on Good Friday morning.

pm, and Tuesday 26 March at 8.00 pm (both at Meadowhead)

THE FRIDAY LUNCH CLUB is now on its Easter break. It will reconvene on Friday 19April. We are currently looking for another cake maker, to provide cake/buns for our lovely members, working on a 4 week rota. Any offer of help would be gratefully appreciated. Please contact Pam Walsh (Sec) on 07704831251 if you feel able to help out. Many thanks for your support.



Early Copy Deadline for Easter weekend newsletter. Please submit items by the Wednesday morning, 27/3.

Celebrate 30 years of the Fairtrade Mark

7. Make a smoothie: There is no better way to get your '5 a day' than a nice smoothie. There are so many Fairtrade ingredients that are just perfect for smoothies: bananas, mangoes, orange juice, peanut butter, honey, nuts and spices. Make your smoothie, then 'smoothly' start a conversation about how each of those ingredients means a fairer deal for so many farmers and workers all around the world.

Lent lunches have finished now but . . A big thank you to the many people who came to join in the great atmosphere of the St Patrick's Day lunch which raised **£150 for the Mini Vinnies** who did an excellent job - greeting and seating, taking orders and serving, checking up and clearing up so well afterwards. THANK YOU ALL!

Holy Week Vigil to pray for Peace in the Holy Land Kairos Sheffield are organising a Christian vigil of prayer for the Holy Land on Tuesday 26th March, 3pm at the large cross in front of Sheffield Town Hall. All are welcome

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 on Sat 18th May for Transport 17 and our other Outreach partners? Thank you!



Our Parish Safeguarding representatives are: Angela Holman Email address: safeguarding1olst@hallam-diocese.com

Claire Parsons Email address: safeguarding2olst@hallam-diocese.com

Good Thief bv **Edwin Romond**

Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus told him, "This day you will be with me in paradise."

Luke 23:43

A contradiction to call a thief good but it was a day when nothing made sense: a man of peace and love condemned to death, a best friend denies his best friend three times, another sells him out for silver and, even after the agony of nails and lashes, Jesus forgives them all. Then, above the screeching hate of the Golgotha mob, a thief begs Jesus to remember him in his Kingdom and Jesus answers, "Yes," turning this sinner to a saint christened good his last day on earth, his first day in Paradise.

Easter Cards There is a large assortment of Easter cards, including some from Kirk Edge, available at the repository table.

Annual Sacred Heart Concert planned for Friday 7th June 2024 the feast of the Sacred Heart - at Our Lady and St Thomas Church

WANTED!!!; Musicians; Thespians; makers of mirth; tellers of tall tales and poets to take part in the Parish annual Sacred Heart Concert on Friday 7th June . There will be a raffle. Keep the date free; Put your name down to take part.



We would welcome raffle prizes and suggest a shared table to make this a parish event. To help, take part and/or donate raffle prizes. Please contact Pam Corkell; Tel 07941 661272 email pamelacorkell@gmail.com or Joe McNally 07891072858 e-mail joegmcnally@gmail.com All proceeds to help care for Bethlehem's terminally ill helping them end their days pain free and with dignity. God bless.

We are working to sustain the first Hospice in Bethlehem. Find out how you can help.



Lenten Offertory Collections: Throughout Lent as we make greater efforts at self denial for the health of our own body & soul, we can also benefit our neighbours' bodies and souls by channelling any money saved thereby to meet their needs. Thank you for all your generosity throughout Lent.



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

Good Friday: Cash Collection for support of Holy Places in the Holy Land.



On Palm Sunday we receive palms and carry them in a ritual procession into church to re-enact the triumphant arrival of Our Lord in Jerusalem. The palms are a symbol of peace and victory. Afterwards we are invited to take our palms home for use in personal devotions. <u>Palms that have been blessed must not be thrown away</u>. From the blessed palms the ashes are procured for next year's Ash Wednesday observance.

A prayer for Holy Week

Almighty ever-living God, who as an example of humility for the human race to follow, caused our Saviour to take flesh and submit to the Cross, graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering and so merit a share in his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Maundy Thursday begins the Easter

Triduum, the period which commemorates the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus; this period includes Good Friday and Holy Saturday, and ends on the evening of Easter. "Maundy" comes from the Latin mandatum, or commandment, reflecting Jesus' words "A new commandment I give you, that you love one another as I have loved you."

A Prayer for Good Friday

Jesus, you are my Lord and my God, you endured such pain and suffering for me you died for love of me. I kneel beneath your cross and beg for mercy. Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner. O blood and water flowing from your side, sanctify and cleanse me. Lord, I love you with all my heart and place all my trust in you. Amen.

Diana Ng-Sutherland/CAFOD

There will be a Retiring Collection on Good Friday for the Holy Places, which supports the work of the Church in the Holy Land

Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence

This week's	s ministries	for Palm	Sunday
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Readers	5.00 p.m.	V Coomer (1st), D Fletcher (2nd) H Simmerson (N), G Higgins (C)
	9.15 a.m.	F Green (1st), J Fojut(2nd) A Peacey (N), S Farragher (C)
	11.15 a.m.	M Richardson (1st), J McNally (2nd) A Willcock (N), J-J Carter (C)
Communion	5.00 p.m.	J Brook, S Davey
	9.15 a.m.	R Gasser, J Tucker, P Ashby
	11.15 a.m.	H Stones, P Corkell, K O'Brien
Welcomers	9.15 a.m.	S Jones
	11.15 a.m.	S Campos, H Stones

Ministries for Holy Week and the Easter Vigil <u>Maundy Thursday 8.00 p.m.</u>

Communion Readers Welcomer S Jones, K Durkin, P Orkamfat C Farragher, C Perryman S Reynolds

<u>Good Friday 3.00 p.m.</u>

Communion	M Richardson, R Gasser, V Coomer	
Readers:	J-J Carter (1st) J McNally (2nd)	
Passion:	D Fletcher (N), C Farragher (C)	
Solemn Intercessions J Bourne		
Welcomers	S Campos, H Stones	

Holy Saturday 8.00 p.m. Easter Vigil

Communion	H Grady, J Brook, S Campos
Readers	C Perryman (1), A Willcock (3), S Jones (7)
	F Green (Mass)
Welcomers	S Jones

Ministries for Easter Sunday		
Readers	9.00 a.m. Totley	G Higgins, D Fletcher
	9.15 a.m.	S Corker, K Corker
	11.15 a.m.	M Richardson, M Pybus
Communion	9.00 a.m. Totley	V Coomer, K Durkin
	9.15 a.m.	A Tucker, A Tucker, M Mahon
	11.15 a.m.	H Stones, E Williamson, P Corkell
Welcomers	9.15 a.m.	N Parsons
	11.15 a.m.	A Willcock

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