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The Month of April is devoted to God the Holy Spirit

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)

26th APRIL 2026 Psalter Week 4



Saturday (Totley)

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday

9.15 a.m. Jacqueline Calvert

11.15 a.m. Elisha Imohimi

Monday *Eastertide Feria*

No Mass

Tuesday (Totley) **St Peter Chanel, priest, martyr**
St Louis Grignion de Montfort

10.00 a.m.

Wednesday ST CATHERINE OF SIENNA,
VIRGIN, PATRON OF EUROPE

10.00 a.m. Katherine Webb

Thursday St Pius V, pope

No Mass

Friday St Joseph the Worker

12.00 p.m. Cath Miller

Saturday St Athanasius, bishop

10.45 a.m.

Next week's Masses

Totley - Saturday

5.00 p.m. Derrick Udall

Meadowhead - Sunday

9.15 a.m. People of the Parish

11.15 a.m. Fred and Eileen
Willoughby

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: Brenda Charles,
Robert O'Hara, Norah Chisholm,
Dermot Glackin, Paul Smith, Anne
McPhee, Anne & John Grayson,
Elizabeth Watson, Philomena McNally,
Helen Aulton, Sue Jarman, and Stephen
Bingley.

Lately dead: Lesley Binnie, RIP (sister
of Barbara Richardson)

Events for the Coming Week

Monday 6.45pm SVP Meeting 11th May

Wednesday 6.15pm Rainbows and Brownies

Friday 12.30pm Lunch Club follows Mass

Registered Charity No 512021

Responsorial Psalm: 23

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

Offertory: Loose plate and envelopes total for
19th April 2026 was £382.60. 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!

RESURREXIT ALLELUIA!

Today is Vocations Sunday

We celebrate Vocations Sunday, also called Good Shepherd Sunday, on the fourth Sunday of Easter, This year marks the 63rd Anniversary of World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The theme this year is: The Interior Discovery of God's Gift As Catholics and people of God we all know that God is calling us and has a plan for each of us. He called each of us by name through our Baptism to holiness. He continues to call and cry out to us each day to be his disciples, some to the married life, some to the priesthood or the diaconate, some to religious life or to live as kind single people. Everybody is called! What is God calling you to? Let us take time to stir the hearts and minds of the people around us to think about the topic of Vocation. The National Office for Vocation invites us to talk to and encourage children, young people, grandchildren, students, family members to respond generously to the calling of the Lord. For more information visit <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/vocations-Sunday> In concluding his message for Vocations Sunday, Pope Leo writes: "Dear brothers and sisters, dear young people, I encourage you to cultivate your personal relationship with God through daily prayer and meditation on the Word. Pause, listen and entrust yourselves. In this way, the gift of your vocation will mature, bringing you happiness and yielding abundant fruit for the Church and the world. There is a retiring collection for the Priest's Training Fund this weekend.

Priest's Training Fund - there will be a retiring collection **TODAY** for the PTF to help support those in seminary college. Please note this is a compulsory collection by the diocese.

Ministries - We are in great need of volunteers for all ministries but especially readers, special ministers of the Eucharist and welcomers. If you feel you could do any of these please speak to Liz or Fr Clement.

Carmel Care Centre, 40th Year Anniversary Celebration and Blessing. Anyone is welcome to join us for this joyous event. The celebration will take place at the centre the address is 172 Dykes Hall Road, Sheffield, S64GS on Wednesday 3rd June starting at 12 noon with a buffet lunch. For further information contact Janet Kent on Tel 07927 657462.

URGENT - Ampleforth - Would all those who have yet to pay their deposit for Ampleforth please do so as soon as possible as I need to pay by the end of the month. Thank you.

BBBakes, Books and CarBoot Sale 11am – 2pm Saturday 23rd May at English Martyrs Church, Totley. 3 spaces still available at £10 each to support Transport 17 and other parish Outreach partners. To book your space contact Barbara Richardson 07725 023708. b_rich54@hotmail.com



Lost valuables. Are you missing something? There are various items in the lost property including a **pair of earrings** found whilst cleaning the church for Easter. Please see Tony, Kathleen or Liz. Thank you.

Being a welcoming Parish - At the Easter Vigil, one person was baptised, and two people were received into the Catholic Church in our parish. Since then, a few others have come forward who would like to find out more about the Catholic faith. How can we as a parish community help to support those who have already joined us and accompany those who would like to find out more? It might be as simple as offering to sit with them at Mass, or offering to bring them to an SVP meeting, or showing them how to pray the Rosary, or spending a bit of time chatting to them, or making refreshments at a meeting, or even leading a meeting. What could you do? As Pope Leo said recently, "No baptised person is exempt from or indifferent to mission: everyone, each according to their own vocation and condition of life, participates in the great work that Christ has entrusted to his Church." There will be a brief meeting to discuss what we could do between Masses on 10 May starting at 10:15. Please feel free to come along to share your talents and ideas, and if you know someone who might like to find out more about the Catholic Faith bring them too.

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.
Please ensure you always use the handrail when ascending and descending the steps outside church and the parish rooms.

Date for your diary! Advance notice that the school Summer Fayre will take place on Sunday 14th June from 1-4pm. More details will be given nearer the time, but the organisers (The Friends of St. Thomas) are currently searching for some 'big ticket' raffle prizes, and wondered if any parishioners may be able to help... Could you donate a raffle prize? Do you have any contacts or know any businesses which may be able to donate something (an item, a voucher...)? If you can help in any way, please chat with Rachel Wood or email friends@st-tc.co.uk. Thank you!



Leadership courses to students in year 12 and 13, and to parents and teachers of the same. These are important opportunities for young people, who are especially seeking to understand the relation of what they often perceive as a private faith to matters of public concern, to deepen their understanding of the relationship between faith and reason. Bookings are also open for our next retreat for clergy, will be led by Bishop John Keenan and takes place from 11th - 15th May: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-priest-and-the-holy-family/>

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.

Our Parish Safeguarding representative is:

Angela Holman Email address:
safeguarding.olst@hallam-diocese.com

Baptism Preparation - 7.30pm THIS Thursday, 30th April. 30th April is the last Thursday of the month, therefore, there will be a baptism preparation session in church for those wishing to have their baby baptised in the following month. NOTE: It is important that Fr Clement is already aware of your intentions and that you have already met with him.

1st Sunday collections: ...Give to Live, the monthly emptying of jars and bottles of our small change into the basket on the Offertory Table, will be next Sunday, the first in the month – small change makes a BIG DIFFERENCE to our Parish Outreach partners at home and abroad. Thank you for your generosity last month which raised £166 plus £118 Give to Live 100 Club profits.



... and tinned tuna and meat, particularly ham, for St Wilfrid's

**A Wanderer
Siegfried Sassoon**

When Watkin shifts the burden of his cares
And all that irked him in his bound employ,
Once more become a vagrom-hearted boy,
He moves to roundelays and jocund airs;
Loitering with dusty harvestmen, he shares
Old ale and sunshine; or, with maids half-coy,
Pays court to shadows; fools himself with joy,
Shaking a leg at junketings and fairs.

Sometimes, returning down his breezy miles,
A snatch of wayward April he will bring,
Piping the daffodilly that beguiles
Foolhardy lovers in the surge of spring.
And then once more by lanes and field-path stiles
Up the green world he wanders like a king.



Annual Bethlehem Ball - A date for your diaries. The Ball will take place on Saturday, 14th November at the Crown Plaza Victoria Hotel. More details to follow - watch this space . . .



Our Lady of Guadalupe Relic is visiting the Mother of God Church, Abbeydale Road

On Saturday 6th June. Our Lady of Guadalupe Relic is visiting the Mother of God Church, Abbeydale Road. The day begins at 10 am with Holy Mass. This Relic has been declared as an Authorised Relic that extends the graces of evangelisation, conversion and truth to those who receive it. Following Holy Mass and veneration of Our Lady of Guadalupe Relic, there will be a Rethink Abortion Day led by the March for Life team in the Parish Centre. The team will lead a series of engaging, inspiring and informative sessions aimed at motivating and equipping us to articulate our pro life beliefs. The booking fee for this event is being subsidised by the group. Please bring your own packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. Click on the eventbrite link to book on to the Rethink Abortion event: [Rethink Abortion Interactive Training Day Tickets, Saturday, Jun 6 from 10 am to 4 pm | Eventbrite](#) **Rachel Wood**

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 4 650066 or email lourdesoffice@hallam-diocese.com.



Mass - Creation Mass
Gloria 489 Holy Holy 490
Memorial Acclamation 491-493 Lamb of God 495



Friday 1 May is the Feast of St Joseph the Worker. Not to be confused with the Solemnity of St Joseph which falls on 19 March, this feast was instituted by Pope Pius XII in 1955 to foster deep devotion to Saint Joseph among Catholics, and in response to the “May Day” celebrations for workers sponsored by Communists. This feast extends the long relationship between Joseph and the cause of workers. Jesus, too, was a carpenter. He learned the trade from Saint Joseph, the silent saint, who was given the noble task of caring and watching over the Virgin Mary and Jesus, now cares for and watches over the Church and is the model for the dignity of human work.

This Wednesday 29 April is the Feast Day of St Catherine of Sienna. Born in 1347, she entered the Third Order of St Dominic at 18 and spent three years in seclusion, prayer and austerity. A group of followers gathered around her – men and women, priests and religious. She became very influential because of her holiness and the deep impression she made on the pope. She spent the last two years of her life in Rome pleading for unity at a divisive time of schism in the Church. She died in 1380 and was canonised in 1461. St Catherine ranks high among the mystics and spiritual writers of the Church. Her spiritual testament is to be found in *The Dialogue*.

A Prayer for Vocations Sunday

God our Loving Father, you called each of us by name through the Sacrament of Baptism to holiness.

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, you made us the temples of the Holy Spirit.

Help us to listen to the cry of our Lord Jesus from the Holy Cross ‘I thirst’ and respond to the call ‘Go out to the whole world and proclaim the good news to all the nations’.

Guide us in every step we take in life and lead us in every decision we make in responding to your call. Make us and mould us into the living images of Christ your Son, who was always close to those in need.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Thought For the Week



*Most people are
about as happy
as they make up
their minds to be.*

Abraham Lincoln



Prayer for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

Almighty, ever-living God,
bring us to the joy of your heavenly city:
so that we, your little flock, may follow
where Christ, our Good Shepherd, has gone
before us by the power of his resurrection.
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
Fourth Sunday of Easter (A)**

First Reading: *Acts of the Apostles 2:14a, 36-41*

Responsorial Psalm: 23

Second Reading: *1st Letter of St Peter 2:20b-25*

Gospel: *John 10:1-10*

**Next Week’s Readings
Fifth Sunday of Easter (A)**

First Reading: *Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7*

Responsorial Psalm: 33

Second Reading: *1 Peter 2:4-9*

Gospel: *John 14:1-12*

This Week’s Ministries 25/26 April 2026

Readers	5.00 p.m. D Hilliard, A Southeran
	9.15 a.m. C Perryman, D Winter
	11.15 a.m. A Willcock, J McNally
Communion	5.00 p.m. V Coomer, S Davey
	9.15 a.m. P Ashby, M Ayanleke, M Mahon
	11.15 a.m. M Harrison, J McNally, S Campos

Next Week’s Ministries 2/3 May 2026

Readers	5.00 p.m. D Fletcher, H Simmerson
	9.15 a.m. R Portaluri, B Ayanleke
	11.15 a.m. B Jones, M Pybus
Communion	5.00 p.m. C Udall, K Durkin
	9.15 a.m. N Parsons, C Parsons, H Grady
	11.15 a.m. E Williamson, H Stones, K O’Brien
Welcomers	9.15 a.m. N Parsons
	11.15 a.m. H Stones, S Campos