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

**Seventeenth Sunday of the Year (B)
Sunday 28th July 2024 Psalter Week 1**

Saturday (Totley)

5.00 p.m. Gil Kline

Sunday

9.15 a.m. People of the Parish

11.15 a.m. Emanwel Ross

Monday St Martha, St Mary & St Lazarus

No Mass

Tuesday (Totley) St Peter Chrysologus, bishop

10.00 a.m. Dead List

Wednesday St Ignatius of Loyola, priest

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Thursday St Alphonsus Liguori, bishop

No Mass

Friday St Eusebius of Vercelli, priest
St Peter Julian Eymard, priest

12.00 p.m. Philomena McNally

Saturday *St Oswald, king and martyr*

10.00 a.m. Kath Jarman

Next week's Masses

Totley

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

Meadowhead

9.15 a.m. Laura Henderson

11.15 a.m. Harry & Minnie Richardson

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 10.30am - 11.15am

**Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament**

Saturday 10.30am – 11.30am

Benediction

Saturday 11.15am

Pray for our sick:

Gavin Lambert, Sheila Hurst, Theresa Greensmith, Philomena McNally, Molly Upton, Sue Jarman, Stephen Bingley, Pauline Souflas, Anne Grayson, Paul Smith, Helen Aulton, David Gage, Teddy Howes, and Father Michael O'Connor.

Events for the Coming Week

Monday SVP Parish Rooms 6.45pm

Responsorial Psalm: 144

R: *You open wide your hand, O Lord,
and grant our desires.*

Offertory: Loose plate and envelopes total for 21st July 2024 is £339.54 Thank you.

Come to Mass with no cash? You can make weekly donations by card on the machines in the porch or at the side door table. You can gift-aid too! Please make use of this service if you can.

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 Stephen or Simon Jones know as soon as possible so that appropriate action can be taken promptly.

The SVP is pleased to announce that we will be holding our annual senior parishioner's tea party on September 7th between 2 pm and 5 pm. It will be held in the hall at Our Lady & St Thomas'.

We will be giving out invitations over the next few weeks. If any parishioners wish to attend or know of anyone, including housebound or disabled, who would like to come and who the SVP may not know, please inform Frances Green, SVP conference secretary (07850048271 and francesmgreen@hotmail.co.uk). Transport will be provided to and from the event.

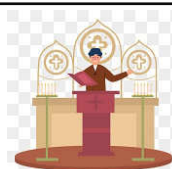


If anyone is able to bake cakes to support the event, we would be very grateful. Please let Frances know if you are able to help.



A Mass for the celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Knock, will be held at Kirk Edge Monastery on 17 August. Irish broadcasters will be there recording the event. All are welcome to attend. Please see the posters at the back of church for more information.

Volunteers needed at Carmel Care - Come and join us at Carmel Care to help prepare lunch for our guests on a Thursday from September 2024, hours 10-2pm. We are a friendly and welcoming team, training provided and any expenses will be paid. For more information contact Janet on 07927757462 Jkent@hallam-diocese.com



Reading Ministry - Do you have a loud clear voice? Can you read slowly and with understanding? We are in great need of readers for all Masses but especially at Totley. Training will be given. If you think you may be interested please contact Liz Mason or Fr Stephen at the presbytery.

Disbursement of OUTREACH funds. After consideration of Partner updates and much discussion about those in most immediate need, it was decided to allocate £500 each to Assist and Ben's Centre; and £400 each to the Grace Foodbank, Sheffield Samaritans, and St Wilfrid's.

A total of £2,200 which you have donated mainly through Give to Live loose change collection & 100 Club, and Coffee, Cakes & Cuttings. Many thanks for your generous support throughout the year. A further £500 has been ear-marked for Mind the Gap Africa, for when their representative, Jenny, visits in October. We hope we may have chance for you to meet her again for another update from Zimbabwe. THANK YOU ALL!

Celebrate 30 years of the Fairtrade Mark

24. Have a little faith, as a Fairtrade Place of Worship Hundreds of faith groups of all types and beliefs have signed up as a Fairtrade Place of Worship.

All you need to do is commit to stocking essential goodies and spreading the word about the FAIRTRADE Mark among your faith community.

Check out all the Fairtrade products and where to buy them.



Calling all bakers!! Olivia and Jack Farragher are holding a bring and buy cake sale to help raise money for the **Bethlehem Care and Hospice Trust**. It will take place after 9.15 Mass on Sunday, 29th September. Please bring cakes and money and help make this a great event!!

New Lectionaries - As you will be aware, due to a new interpretation of the Bible the wording has been changed. We will need 2 complete sets of the lectionaries. One very generous parishioner has already volunteered to pay for 1 set but we need to pay for another. If anyone would like to make a donation towards the cost of the second set it would be very gratefully received!! If you can help - no matter how small, please contact Liz Mason. Alternatively, place it in an envelope stating what it is for and put it through the presbytery letterbox.

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. (*See the article on disbursement!) Thank you for your generosity last month which raised £158.00 . . . and tinned tuna and meat, particularly ham, for St Wilfrid's Centre. Thank you.



Next Saturday, is the first of the month. Mass will be at 10.00am.

Our Parish Safeguarding representatives are:

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This weekend the Church marks its fourth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Pope Francis instituted this Day in 2021 since, he believes, grandparents are often forgotten, yet they are the link between generations, passing on the experience of life and faith to the young.



Pope Francis reminds us that God never abandons his children. He chose the theme: “Do not cast me off in my old age” (*Ps 71:9*). He writes: “God never abandons his children.. Even when our age advances and our powers decline, when our hair grows white and our role in society lessens, when our lives become less productive and can risk appearing useless. All too often, loneliness is the bleak companion of our lives as elderly persons and grandparents. Often, when I was Bishop of Buenos Aires, I would visit rest homes and realise how rarely those people received visits. Some had not seen their family members for many months.

... Once we lose sight of the value of each individual, people are then judged in terms of their cost, which is in some cases considered too high to pay. Even worse, sometimes the elderly themselves fall victim to this mindset; they are made to consider themselves a burden.”

As an example for us to follow, Pope Francis cite the biblical figure of Ruth (*Ruth 1: 1-24*). She refused to abandon her mother-in-law, the elderly widow Naomi, after her (Ruth’s) husband and his brother - Naomi’s two sons - had died. Ruth chose to remain close to Naomi rather than returning to her own kindred, and was then blessed with a happy marriage, a family, a new home. “This is always the case: by remaining close to the elderly and acknowledging their unique role in the family, in society and in the Church, we will ourselves receive gifts, graces, many blessings!

Let us show our tender love for the grandparents and elderly members of our families and spend time with them. In place of the self-centred attitude that leads to loneliness and abandonment, let us instead show the open heart and the joyful face of men and women who have the courage to say “I will not abandon you.”



The Bethlehem Ball 23rd November, 2024



It is 10 years since we held the first Hallam Dinner and Dance to raise funds for a hospice service in Bethlehem. After long preparation, planning and fundraising, on 1st September 2023 the Trust opened the first licensed specialist palliative care service in Palestine. Since then its nurses have made over 1,000 home visits to care for over 90 patients. This includes 2 children. There is a waiting list of people needing care. This year we want to celebrate the Charity’s success and at the same time help these nurses to continue caring for the terminally ill and their families. Unfortunately, we had to take a long break due to Covid, so the funds to maintain this service have diminished significantly. We ask your help in making this year’s event the biggest and the best to date.

The Bethlehem Ball will be held at the Niagara Conference Centre in Sheffield, on Saturday, 23rd November. It is a Dinner and Dance in a lovely venue and the tickets at £35 each are modestly priced for such an event. Dancing to the **Grand Plan**.

There will be a Grand Raffle on the night for substantial cash prizes and tickets will be available soon. If you would like to celebrate with us and help make this a great anniversary celebration, tickets can be obtained from **Liz Mason, Cathal Farragher or Joe**



McNally (07891072858) or simply scan the QR code on our poster and apply. Thank you. watch this space . . .



St Alphosus De Liguori, whose feast day is on Thursday, founded the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (Redemptorists), an association of priests and brothers living a common life, dedicated to the imitation of Christ, and working mainly in popular missions for peasants in rural areas.. Alphonsus’s great pastoral reforms were in the pulpit and confessional. He is best known for his moral theology, but his *Glories of Mary* is one of the great works on that subject, and his book *Visits to the Blessed Sacrament* went through 40 editions in his lifetime, greatly influencing the practice of this devotion in the Church.





Mass Setting - Mass of Christ the Saviour

Gloria 1013; Holy, Holy 1014; Memorial Acclamation 1016-1017; Lamb of God 1019



This Wednesday we celebrate **the feast of Saint Ignatius of Loyola**. Born in 1491 in the Basque region, this wounded soldier of fortune became a warrior of God after a long and difficult spiritual journey, during which Ignatius began to write down material that later became his greatest work, the *Spiritual Exercises*. At the age of 43, he and six others - one of whom was Saint Francis Xavier - vowed to live in poverty and chastity and offered themselves to the apostolic service of the pope. The new Society of Jesus was approved by Pope Paul III in 1538, and Ignatius elected as the first general. Ignatius's spirituality is expressed in the Jesuit motto, *Ad maiorem Dei gloriam* - "for the greater glory of God." Ignatius died on 31 July 1556.

Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly.

Dear Lord,
We thank you for grandparents and elderly relatives throughout the world, their lives and their vocation. We are grateful for their love, care and the advice that they give to each of us.
Protect them dear Lord, in all that they do, as we continue to be blessed by their wisdom in our communities.
Guide them in their earthly pilgrimage and always keep them close to your heart, so that they continue to generously respond to your call.
We make this prayer through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention

For the pastoral care of the sick

"The priest and those who are present during the Anointing of the Sick represent the entire Christian community that, as one body, embraces the one who suffers and their family, nurturing their faith and hope, and supporting them through their prayers and compassion."
Pope Francis

We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick may grant the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.

This Week's Readings Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: *2 Kings 4:42-44*

Responsorial Psalm: *144*

Second Reading: *Ephesians 4:1-6*

Gospel: *John 6:1-15*

Next Week's Readings Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

First Reading: *Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15*

Responsorial Psalm: *77*

Second Reading: *Ephesians 4:17, 20-24*

Gospel: *John 6:224-35*

St Peter Chrysologus, whose feast day is on Tuesday, lived from around 380 to 450. He had a thirst for learning – which he looked upon not as a mere opportunity but as an obligation for all, as a solid support for the worship of God. Many of his short sermons have come down to us. They are full of moral applications. So authentic were the contents of his sermons that some 13 centuries later, he was declared a doctor of the Church by Pope Benedict XIII.

This Week's Ministries 27/28 July 2024

Readers	5.00 p.m.	D Fletcher, E Watson
	9.15 a.m.	S Corker, K Corker
	11.15 a.m.	J McNally, M Pybus
Communion	5.00 p.m.	S Davey, V Coomer
	9.15 a.m.	R Gasser, S Jones, C Farragher
	11.15 a.m.	P Orkamfat, M Richardson, P Corkell

Next Week's Ministries 3/4 August 2024

Readers	5.00 p.m.	A Southeran, G Higgins
	9.15 a.m.	J Bourne, J Fojut
	11.15 a.m.	A Willcock, J McNally
Communion	5.00 p.m.	C Udall, K Durkin
	9.15 a.m.	P Ashby, A Tucker, A Tucker
	11.15 a.m.	S Campos, H Stones, M Harrison
Welcomers	9.15 a.m.	Volunteers Please!
	11.15 a.m.	A Willcock

Thought for the Week



**Never regret a day in your life:
Good days give happiness,
Bad days give experience,
Worse days give lessons,
And best days give memories.**

