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**The Month of February is dedicated to The Holy Trinity**

**PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

**Sunday, 2nd February 2025 (C)**

**Saturday (Totley)**

5.00 p.m. Liam Treacy

Sunday

9.15 a.m. People of the Parish

11.15 a.m. Anne Moisey

**Monday** **St Blaise, bishop, martyr**  
St Ansgar, bishop

No Mass

**Tuesday (Totley)** St Gilbert of Sempringham

10.00 a.m. Seamus, Chini & Joseph Ryan

**Wednesday** **St Agatha, virgin, martyr**

10.00 a.m. John McMeel

**Thursday** **St Paul Miki and Companions,**  
**martyrs**

No Mass

**Friday** *Feria*

12.00 p.m.

**Saturday** St Jerome Emiliani  
**St Josephine Bakhita, virgin,**  
**martyr**

10.45 a.m.

**Next Week's Masses**

**Saturday - Totley**

5.00 p.m. Kelly Richardson

**Sunday - Meadowhead**

9.15 a.m. Bridie Merchant

11.15 a.m. People of the Parish

**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:**

Oliver Wragg, Pauline Souflas, Sheila Nixon, Pat Durkin, Brenda Charles, Theresa Greensmith, Stephen Bingley, Philomena McNally, Sue Jarman, Anne-Marie Fletcher, Molly Upton, Patricia McGuone, Helen Aulton, Sheila Hurst, Teddy Howes and Paul Smith.

**Lately dead:** Fr Michael O'Conner,  
Paddy McGloin (father of Mary Harrison)  
**RIP**

**Events for the Coming Week**

**Monday** 3rd Feb 6.45pm SVP Meeting

**Friday** 12.30 Lunch Club follows Mass

**Responsorial Psalm: 24**

**R:** The Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory!

Registered Charity No 512021

**Offertory:** Loose plate and envelopes total for 26th January 2025 is £223.60. 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!

### Volunteer Welcomers needed for Padley Chapel

Historic Padley Chapel near Grindleford is a Designated Pilgrim Place in the Diocese of Hallam for the 2025 Jubilee Year. Therefore, more people are needed to help with the Chapel opening on Sunday afternoons and the occasional weekday during the "Pilgrim Year of Hope". You will be part of a team of 2, 3 or 4 volunteers and will be given full guidance and support. Please email: [friendsofpadley@hallam-diocese.com](mailto:friendsofpadley@hallam-diocese.com) or ring Sheila on 07855 039711 for more information.

### JUBILEE YEAR 2025

As has already been highlighted in the newsletter, 2025 has been declared by Pope Francis a Jubilee Year, running from 24 December 2024 until the Feast of the Epiphany 2026. The theme of the 2025 Jubilee is 'Pilgrims of Hope'. We are in a world that now more than ever needs hope. In a time of global political, social and economic instability. We are seeing conflicts, climate change and the legacy of the pandemic. The Jubilee, last held in the year 2000, will see an estimated 30 million people visit Rome. But, while pilgrimage is an integral part of the Jubilee, not everyone can visit Rome.

**So... what do we want the jubilee to look like in our Parish?** How are we going to live out the jubilee here day by day? Have you ideas of how we can, as pilgrims of hope, deepen our relationships with God and each other? **The parish council would love to hear from you.** Please email any thoughts/ideas to [judithwilde@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:judithwilde@hotmail.co.uk) If we could get as many ideas as possible in would be much appreciated.

**Lent lunches?** If you would like to host or help with a simple lunch eg soup, bread and fruit on any of the Sundays in Lent for a charity of your choice, please contact Angela Wood at [david.angela.wood@gmail.com](mailto:david.angela.wood@gmail.com) or 07947 731 262. Thank you.



**Chaplains required** - Are you motivated to support others, or know someone who is?

We're currently recruiting people to serve as Chaplains supporting staff in schools and other businesses. If you're available on a weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis and willing to undertake chaplaincy training, get in touch with us.

For more information or an application form, email our People & Officer Co-ordinator using [roxy@sycls.co.uk](mailto:roxy@sycls.co.uk) or give us a call on 07903 899751. We hope to hear from you!

**Cycling Pilgrimage to Walsingham in July 2025;** the lead contact is Deacon John Gilliver. For further details please see the poster at the back of church.



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

### Diocese of Hallam - Jubilee Year Lourdes Pilgrimage 2025

The diocesan pilgrimage takes place from 27th June - 3rd July 2025.

Price £899, includes:

- ◆ Return flights from Lees Bradford Airport to Lourdes
- ◆ Transfer to and from hotel
- ◆ 6 nights accommodation
- ◆ Full board (breakfast, lunch, dinner)
- ◆ All taxes and charges
- ◆ Full religious programme
- ◆ €10 contribution requested by the Sanctuary
- ◆ 1 standard piece of check-in luggage

**St Thomas of Canterbury School** pre school (ages 3-5), still has vacancies for this September.. Please see the poster at the back of church or contact the school on 0114 274 5597.

**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 know as soon as possible so that appropriate action can be taken promptly.**

### Our Parish Safeguarding representatives are:

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## Christian Heritage Centre (Stoneyhurst) Courses

### The Search for Truth: Edith Stein, 14 – 16 March 2025

Fr Matthew Blake, OCD will offer a weekend exploring the life and teachings of Edith Stein, or St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, and her indomitable search for truth that led her to the Catholic faith. For more information and to book: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-search-for-truth-edith-stein/>

### Mens' Spiritual Exercises, 30 March – 4 April 2025

A 5-day version of the Ignatian Exercises offered specifically for men (whether lay or ordained), this retreat will be preached by the Benedictine Monks of St Joseph's Abbey, Flavigny (France). Founded in 1988, this community has retained its charism of a specific apostolate to men with a shortened version of the Ignatian Exercises. One-to-one direction will be offered alongside the talks. Priests are welcome to attend and concelebrate or celebrate their own Mass.

For more information and to book: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/mens-spiritual-exercises/>

### GIVE TO LIVE GIVE TO LIVE

100 club December Draw

1st prize SAMANTHA COLLEY

2nd prize TONY WILLCOCK

3rd prize KATH EMBLEY

Apologies for late draw, Licence renewal issues!

If you're not in it, you can't win it!

Contact Barbara:- [b\\_rich54@hotmail.com](mailto:b_rich54@hotmail.com) or in person

**GIVE TO LIVE GIVE TO LIVE**

**Parish Outreach meeting 7.30pm Monday 10th February.** All welcome to come and help with preparations for Lent and Jubilee. Please contact [david.angela.wood@gmail.com](mailto:david.angela.wood@gmail.com) for the Zoom link.

**Lost Property** - There are a number of items in the lost property including a Missal. Please check to see if anything is yours. Thank you.

### Free Wellbeing Course for Men

In Person at St Gerard's Church Parish Room , Thrybergh, Rotherham Starting 4th March Tuesdays 6.30 - 7.30.

A free six-week course for a happier and more relaxed you. Join us to explore; Emotional Self-care allows us to take time for the benefit of our health and well-being. Thinking about putting your own needs first - building your resilience.

Being more assertive and setting boundaries—so that you can communicate better and more effectively at home and work.

Stress and relaxation techniques – learning new skills for a more relaxed you.

Build resilience and recover from trauma – To move forward in our life. Come and join us for these relaxed, friendly and supportive sessions!

For more information and to book in please contact Janet Kent on 07927657462 or email: [jkent@hallam-diocese.com](mailto:jkent@hallam-diocese.com)

### International Day of Prayer for Victims of Human Trafficking

This Saturday, 8 February, we are urged to pray for and campaign on behalf of victims and survivors of forced labour and commercial sex trafficking. This date was chosen as it the feast of St Josephine Bakhita, herself a survivor of trafficking and slavery.

St Josephine was born in Sudan in 1869 and abducted by slave traders at the age of seven. Her childhood was gruesome, but she still retained an openness to beauty and life. After being sold to a family in Italy, she encountered the Canossian Sisters, who taught her the Catholic faith. On gaining her freedom she joined the Order. Josephine died on 8 February 1947. She was beatified in 1992 and canonised eight years later.

It has been estimated that there are now more people enslaved around the world than in all the 400 years of the trans-Atlantic slave trade. An estimated 40 million people are in modern day slavery worldwide. Trafficking for sexual exploitation is the most common globally with 54 per cent of all identified victims. Forced labour and domestic servitude is the second most prevalent, accounting for 38 per cent of victims.

### The Poet's Calendar Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

#### January

Janus am I; oldest of potentates;  
Forward I look, and backward, and below  
I count, as god of avenues and gates,  
The years that through my portals come and go.

I block the roads, and drift the fields with snow;  
I chase the wild-fowl from the frozen fen;  
My frosts congeal the rivers in their flow,  
My fires light up the hearths and hearts of men.

#### February

I am lustration, and the sea is mine!  
I wash the sands and headlands with my tide;  
My brow is crowned with branches of the pine;  
Before my chariot-wheels the fishes glide.

By me all things unclean are purified,  
By me the souls of men washed white again;  
E'en the unlovely tombs of those who died  
Without a dirge, I cleanse from every stain.



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



**The Story of the Presentation of the Lord**

The great feast of the Presentation of the Lord on 2nd February, forty days after celebrating His birth, falls on a Sunday this year, and takes precedence over the Sunday in Ordinary Time. Until 1969, the feast was known in the West as the feast of the Purification of Our Lady and also as Candlemas.

On giving birth to a son, a Jewish woman would be in semi-seclusion for 40 days, after which, in the case of a first-born son, the mother would present him to the Lord in acknowledgement of his being source of all life.

So we see Mary and Joseph – 40 days after the birth of Jesus – submitting to the Law of Moses in bringing their Son to be offered, as the first-born, to God and for the purification of the mother after giving birth, even though we believe that Mary did not need such purification. For the ceremony, they have come up from Nazareth to the Temple in Jerusalem.

In Luke's account, Jesus was welcomed in the temple by two elderly people, Simeon and the widow Anna. They embody Israel in their patient expectation; they acknowledge the infant Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah. It has long been a day for processions as we remember the Lord's entry into the Temple, the house of his Father, for the first time. These processions originally replaced pagan celebrations. Later, it was identified with the blessing of candles carried in procession in honour of Christ, "the light to enlighten the Gentiles".

**Prayer for today's  
Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**

Almighty, ever-living God,  
on this day your Only-Begotten Son  
was presented in the Temple,  
in flesh and blood like ours.  
Purify us in mind and heart  
that we may meet you in your glory.  
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**

**THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

**First Reading:** *Malachi 3:1-4*

**Responsorial Psalm:** 24

**Second Reading:** *Hebrews 2:14-18*

**Gospel:** *Luke 2:22-40*

**Next Week's Readings**

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)**

**First Reading:** *Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8*

**Responsorial Psalm:** 138

**Second Reading:** *1 Corinthians 15:1-11*

**Gospel:** *Luke 5:1-11*

**Prayers for Victims of Human  
Trafficking and an end to  
Modern Slavery**

Heavenly Father,  
we pray for women, children and men  
who have been tricked or coerced into  
slavery, suffering physical, emotional  
and sexual abuse.

We know that nothing is hidden from  
You, and we cry out to you for justice,  
freedom and mercy. Amen.

**This Week's Ministries 1/2 February 2025 (C)**

<b>Readers</b>	5.00 p.m.	A Southeran +1
	9.15 a.m.	C Perryman, R Portaluri
	11.15 a.m.	A Willcok, M Pybus
<b>Communion</b>	5.00 p.m.	S Davey, J Brook
	9.15 a.m.	M Mahon, M Ayanleke, C Farragher
	11.15 a.m.	M Richardson, K O'Brien, S Campos

**Next Week's Ministries 8/9 February 2025 (C)**

<b>Readers</b>	5.00 p.m.	V Coomer, D Fletcher
	9.15 a.m.	J Bourne, A Peacey
	11.15 a.m.	2 needed
<b>Communion</b>	5.00 p.m.	C Udall, K Durkin
	9.15 a.m.	S Jones, R Portaluri, R Gasser
	11.15 a.m.	J McNally, P Corkell, M Harrison
<b>Welcomers</b>	9.15 a.m.	N Parsons
	11.15 a.m.	A Willcock



**Ikea's flat-packed Easter Egg!**