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## The Month of August is devoted to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

## Twenty-Second Sunday of the Year (C) Sunday, 31st August 2025

Saturday (Totley)

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday

9.15 a.m. Pope Leo XIV

11.15 a.m. Father Christian

**Monday** Feria

No Mass

Tuesday (Totley) Feria

10.00 a.m. Teresa Troy

**Wednesday** ST GREGORY THE GREAT,

POPE, DOCTOR

10.00 a.m. Emanwel Ross

**Thursday** St Cuthbert, bishop

No Mass

Friday Feria

12.00 p.m. Mary and Arthur Willcock

Saturday Feria

10.45 a.m. November Dead List

**Events for the Coming Week** 

Monday 1st September 6.45pm SVP Meeting

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.

**Next Week's Masses** 

Saturday - Totley

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday - Meadowhead

9.15 a.m. Kath Jarman

11.15 a.m. Pauline Souflas

**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:** Philomena McNally,

Anne McPhee, Anne-Marie Fletcher,

Paul Smith, Brenda Charles,

Helen Aulton, Stephen Bingley, Molly Upton, Oliver Wragg,

Sheila Hurst, and Sue Jarman.

Responsorial Psalm: 68

**R:** In your goodness, O God, you provided a home for the poor.

**Offertory:** Loose plate and envelopes total for 24th August 2025: £323.72 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!

Registered Charity No 512021

<u>If you notice anything</u> 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, tel. 07808283807 know as soon as possible so that appropriate action can be taken promptly.

<u>Child Victims of Gaza</u> - Around England, Wales, and Scotland, different groups have been reading names of over 20,000 children killed by Israel since 2023 in Gaza. At Sheffield train station a local group will be meeting on Friday 5th September from 6am till midnight to honour their memory and stand in solidarity with their families.

Fr Geoff will be taking part from 10.30am – 11.30am. Further information for those wishing to attend or take part can be obtained at <a href="https://sheffieldagainstisraeliapartheid.org.uk/read-the-names-5th-september/">https://sheffieldagainstisraeliapartheid.org.uk/read-the-names-5th-september/</a>

**Diocesan Jubilee Mass for Altar Servers - Saturday 20 September, Holy Rood (Barnsley)** You are invited to a Mass of thanksgiving on Saturday 20th September, 10.30am, at Holy Rood Church, Barnsley (S70 1AX), which Bishop Ralph will celebrate. Altar servers to bring alb/cincture or cassock/cotta and their Guild of St Stephen medal, if enrolled. Please arrive by 10.00am for vesting in the church hall. There will be refreshments after the Mass. The national Honorary President of the Guild of St Stephen will also be in attendance.

**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 £160.81.

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

Friday Lunch Club Please note that the first Friday Lunch Club will take place after Mass on 12th September 2025.

Please **NOTE** the change in date. We would also like to encourage more people to come to the Friday Lunch Club. We would love to see some new faces and there is capacity in the Transport17 bus if help is required to get to Mass.

Ministers/Ministries - It is becoming more and more obvious that many ministries at the weekend are short-both for the Eucharist and readers. As Everyone is given an opportunity before the rota is published to say when they are available this shouldn't be happening. PLEASE ensure you arrange a replacement if you are unable to fulfil your commitment. If you can't find anyone please let Liz Mason know so she can find an alternative, Please show respect to your fellow ministers and readers.



#### **CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT with Pie and Peas**

**Saturday, 11th October is QUIZ NIGHT!! Parish Hall at 7.00pm.** Pie and Peas are available, with all the usual trimmings and vegetarian and vegan options are available. Cost £8.00 per person.

If you do not want the pies and peas entry is £5.00 pp. (children £2.50).

You can bring your own nibbles and drink. Please get your teams together - maximum of 8 per team. There will be a raffle so please donate anything you can for a prize. **Who will lift the trophy this year?!!** (Would the current holders please return the trophy!!!) Tickets will be on sale from next weekend. Buy early to avoid disappointment!! Please bring cash if you can! Thank you.

All proceeds will go the Bethlehem Care and Hospice Trust.

**The Season of Creation -** Tomorrow Monday 1 September is The World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, and the start of the Season of Creation, a time of sustained ecumenical prayer and action which lasts a month and four days and ends on the feast of St Francis of Assisi on, 4 October. During this season we are encouraged to pray and engage in community events in order to deepen our relationship with our God, our neighbour and the earth we share, being ever more attentive to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

In his message for the Tenth World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, Pope Leo stresses that environmental justice – implicitly proclaimed by the prophets – can no longer be regarded as an abstract concept or a distant goal. He writes: "On all sides, injustice, violations of international law and the rights of peoples, grave inequalities and the greed that fuels them are spawning deforestation, pollution and the loss of biodiversity. Extreme natural phenomena caused by climate changes provoked by human activity are growing in intensity and frequency (cf. Laudato Deum, 5), to say nothing of the medium and long-term effects of the human and ecological devastation being wrought by armed conflicts.

As yet, we seem incapable of recognising that the destruction of nature does not affect everyone in the same way. When justice and peace are trampled underfoot, those who are most hurt are the poor, the marginalised and the excluded. In a world where the most vulnerable of our brothers and sisters are the first to suffer the devastating effects of climate change, deforestation and pollution, care for creation becomes an expression of our faith and humanity."

For the full text of Pope Leo's message, visit https://www.cbcew.org.uk/care-of-creation-2025-papal-message/

The Martyr-Saints of the North-West, 12 – 14 September 2025 - Join us for this weekend studying some of the Reformation-era martyrs of England's recusant North-West region. Part-retreat, part-biographical, the weekend will be led by Mgr John Allen of Salford Diocese, who has recently published a history of the diocese with a foreword by Eamon Duffy.

Extend your stay at Stonyhurst with a discount on accommodation for extra nights.

For more information and to book: <a href="https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-martyr-saints-of-the-north-west/">https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-martyr-saints-of-the-north-west/</a>
Download The Martyr-Saints – JPG flier

### The National Jubilee Pilgrimage 2025

We heard at Masses last weekend about the national walking pilgrimage which will trace an enormous sign of the Cross that spans England and Wales over the coming fortnight. One of its main aims is to re-establish walking pilgrimage as an important part of the Christian heritage in this country.

Four routes – north, south, east and west - will converge in Nottingham at the city's Cathedral of St Barnabas on Saturday, 13 September. The following day, the Cathedral will host a Solemn Mass for the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross at 11:15am.

The routes are named after the Evangelists, Saints Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. The first and longest route, St Matthew's Way, from Cardiff began on 28 August. The southern route, St John's Way, from Southwark, begins this Monday. The Eastern pilgrimage, St Luke's Way, starts this Thursday from Norwich. Finally, the shortest route – St Mark's Way – departs from Leeds in the on 6 September, and will pass through Sheffield on Monday/ Tuesday, 8/9 September.

Take part in the pilgrimage from home by using the St Mark's Way, Jubilee Prayer card, available from church. And find out more about the pilgrimage and the thinking behind it, visit https://www.cbcew.org.uk/re-establishing-walking-pilgrimages-as-a-vital-part-of-our-christian-heritage/ and https://www.pilgrimways.org.uk/national-jubilee-pilgrimage-of-hope



## YOUR PREMISES COMMITTEE

NEEDS YOU!!! There are an increasing number of tasks which need to be dealt with to maintain the condition of the buildings at Meadowhead as well as at

Totley. The capacity of the premises committee is not sufficient to cope with all of this so if anyone has any available time and energy with which to enhance the capabilities of the Premises Committee would you please consider approaching Fr Clement or Simon Jones (07808 283807) for further details?

**Laudato Si' Webinar,** Wednesday 3rd September, 7pm. 10 years on from the launch of Laudato Si',

Pope Francis's groundbreaking encyclical on care for our common home, the Catholic Bishops39; Conference of England and Wales, in partnership with CAFOD, have organised a 1-hour webinar to reflect on its impact and to examine the spiritual and practical challenges that lie ahead, and the unique role faith communities can play in shaping a just and sustainable future. It is open to everyone. For more information and to register, visit https://www.cbcew.org.uk/10th- anniversary-of-laudato-sisustaining-the-impact/

My Day by Day for September is available on the repository table. Please remember the price is now £1.25. Thank you.

Parish Outreach meeting 7.30pm Monday 8th September. All welcome to help plan for Autumn awareness and fund-raising. Please contact david.angela.wood@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

Update: an Autism Assistance Dog for Leo - A few weeks ago we shared our fundraiser to help our 12-year-old son Leo to access an autism assistance dog. We are so grateful to report that thanks to your generosity we have raised all the funds we need. Thank you so much for all your support! If you'd like to know more about the next steps towards - and with - Leo's assistance dog you can read our blog at <a href="https://reyofhopecom.wordpress.com">https://reyofhopecom.wordpress.com</a> Beth Craggs

# August's Farewell by Mary Ann King

The Autumn light awaits as August burns a final, grand farewell. In em'rald lace she flows across the hillsides then she turns to make her exit with a sultry grace. Her hair is sunlight, flames of golden strands that fill a cloudless sky with summer bliss. The sage and flowers burst within her hands and Earth arises to her molten kiss. Then Autumn blows a whisper on the wind, a secret sent adrift, a gentle sigh. She paints the days anew, her hues transcend the summer's green as August says good bye. The seasons blend, the fields of sage give in and Autumn's colours sweep the Earth again.



# Christ the Saviour, Gloria 1013, Holy Holy 1014, Memorial acclamation 1016-1017, Amen 1018, Lamb of God 1019.



#### A Prayer for the Season of Creation

**Father, Lord of all creation,** we praise you with all your creatures and the whole universe that comes forth from the work of Your hands.

We acknowledge the privilege and responsibility that You give us as stewards of Your creation.

In our ignorance we have done damage to our common home and our brothers and sisters are suffering.

Through faithfully following your Son, guide and direct us to prepare for a better future.

Teach us to contemplate You in the beauty of the universe, for all things speak of You.

Give us the grace to recognise, respect and protect all You have created, using wisely all that You have entrusted to us.

Holy Spirit, who first hovered over the dawn of creation and drew order out of the chaos help us to build Your kingdom of justice, love, peace and beauty where the poor of the earth are crying out.

You, who live and reign, world without end, Amen.

On Thursday we celebrate the Feast of St Cuthbert. Born around the year 634, according to tradition, he was a shepherd boy before coming a monk, and later prior, at Melrose (in the Scottish Borders). After the Synod of Whitby in 664 he became prior of Lindisfarne and gradually won over the community to Roman ecclesiastical customs. He was attracted to living the life of a hermit, and in 676 he left the monastery to live in solitude on the nearby island of Inner Farne. For the last two years of his life he served as bishop of Lindisfarne, but he returned to his island to die, in 687. His remains were removed from Lindisfarne to escape Viking raiders and were eventually enshrined at Durham Cathedral.

## A Daily Prayer?

I want to thank you, Lord,
for being with me so far this day.
With your help,
I haven't been impatient,
lost my temper,
been grumpy,
judgmental,
or envious of anyone.
But I will be getting out
of bed in a minute and then I think I will
really need your help. Amen.

# Prayer for the Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Father of might and power, every good and perfect gift comes down to us from you.

Implant in our hearts the love of your name, increase our zeal for your service, nourish what is good in us and tend it with watchful care.

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
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

**Responsorial Psalm**: 68

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a

**Gospel:** *Luke 14:1, 7-14* 

Next Week's Readings
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18
Responsorial Psalm: 90

**Second Reading:** St Paul to Philemon 9b-10,12-19

**Gospel:** *Luke 14:25-33* 

### This Week's Ministries 30/31 August 2025

**Readers** 5.00 p.m. A Southeran, H Simmerson

9.15 a.m. B Ayanleke, C Farragher

11.15 a.m. I Paterson, A Willcock

Communion 5.00 p.m. V Coomer, C Udall

9.15 a.m. N Parsons, C Parsons, M Ayanleke

11.15 a.m. P Orkamfat, J McNally, E Williamson

#### Next Week's Ministries 6/7 September 2025

**Readers** 5.00 p.m. H Simmerson, A Southeran

9.15 a.m. C Perryman, A Peacey

11.15 a.m. M Pybus, I Paterson

Communion 5.00 p.m. S Davey, J Brook

9.15 a.m. M Mahon, P Ashby, R Portaluri

11.15 a.m. P Corkell, H Stones, M Harrison

Welcomers 9.15 a.m. S Jones

11.15 a.m A Willcock