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The Month of October is devoted to The Holy Rosary

ALL SAINTS DAY

Sunday, 31 October 2021 Psalter Week 3

Saturday

5.00 p.m. (Totley) John Walton

Sunday

9.15 a.m. People of the Parish

11.15 a.m. Leonardo de Paola

Monday All Saints

10.00 a.m. Dead List

Tuesday (Totley) ALL SOULS DAY

10.00 a.m. Dead List

7.30 p.m. Margaret Stancer

Wednesday St Martin de Porres, religious
St Winifride, virgin

10.00 a.m. Philip Robinson

Thursday St Charles Borromeo

No Mass

Friday *Feria*

10.00 a.m. Margaret Stancer

Saturday *Feria*

No Mass

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. Peter Wragg

**Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament**

Saturday 10.30am – 11.30am

Please Pray for:

Our sick: Fr Michael O'Connor,
Danny Grant, Pauline Souflas, Angela
McKinney, Teddy Howes, Katie
Glackin, David Gage, and Edward
Keefe.

Lately dead: Kath Jarman RIP

Responsorial Psalm: 23

***R. Such are the men who seek your
face, O Lord.***

Events for the Coming Week

Monday SVP Parish rooms 8-9pm (Alternate weeks from 20th September)

Tuesday Exploring Faith 7.30pm - 9.00pm

Wednesday Rainbows 6.15pm

Parish Prayer Group (in church) 7.45pm

Please let me know when your group re-starts. Thank you.

Funeral Arrangements - Kath Jarman will be received into church on Monday, 8th November at 5.00pm. The requiem will take place at 10.00am on Tuesday, 9th November.

Please note there will be no Mass at Totley on Tuesday that week.

This Week there will be a second collection for Lepra. Despite being curable, leprosy if left untreated can cause life-changing disabilities and even blindness. Adults and children are cast out from society with no support. £25 can change a life by treating the condition, stopping it from spreading and where necessary provide reconstructive treatment. Even if you can't afford £25 please give as much as you can to help prevent this disease. Thank you.

Masses on 1st and 2nd November - Although All Saints Day will officially be celebrated on 31st October there will be a Mass at 10am on 1st November and there will be two Masses on 2nd November for All Souls Day at 10.00am and 7.30pm.

Christmas Cards - There are Christmas cards for sale for the Bethlehem Care and Hospice Trust on the table near the confessional.

At the repository table on the other side, there is a selection of Kirk Edge cards for Christmas as well as many other occasions. All cards are priced.

November Dead List - There are forms in church for the November Dead List. Please take one and fill it in with the SURNAME(S) of the family(ies) you would like remembered. *(Please note, these people will be remembered collectively in Masses that are for the dead list. They will NOT be said individually.)*

When you have completed your form please return it with your offering to church. Many thanks.

Parish Outreach Meeting

7.30pm Monday 1st November.

All welcome. Please contact david.angela.wood@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

If you are engaged to be married, newly married, married, celebrating a wedding anniversary, preparing couples for marriage, Bishop Heskett invites you and your family to a Mass to celebrate and give thanks for the gift of marriage.

Cathedral Church of St Marie, Sunday October 31st 2021 12.30pm.



Everyone has suffered for the past two years because of Covid. There is need everywhere. That is why we are seeking only a small contribution from every one that can help. Bethlehem people have suffered more than most during the pandemic. Borders were closed. Tourism and Pilgrimages stopped. Unemployment still at 80% there continues to be real need for food and healthcare. People have been generous and we thank those who have contributed so that we were able to send help.

This year we are asking again for help. We would like all to celebrate Christmas with Bethlehem and partake in a World Festival of Christmas Cribbs. Make your own. Post it on Facebook. Tell people about Bethlehem and Christmas.

(facebook.com/bethlehemcareandhospice trust)

Be One in a Million and contribute £1 or whatever you can to help the people of Bethlehem.

One
in a
Million

CAFOD Memorial Mass All Souls Day, Tuesday 2nd November, online at 6pm with Bishop John Arnold. Do join us. All those remembered by a donation in their memory are included in our **Book of Remembrance**. They remain in our thoughts and prayers, particularly during the month of remembrance, as do you. If you aren't able to make it on the day, there will be a recording of the Mass available online afterwards.

Welcomers are required for all Masses. If you can help please contact Liz Mason at the presbytery asap.

Vacancies - There are various **NEW** school vacancies throughout the diocese, both teaching and non-teaching. Please go the Diocese of Hallam website for further details.

If you notice anything on or around the church premises which has the potential to cause harm, please let the parish secretary know (preferably in writing) so that appropriate action can be taken promptly.

OUTREACH CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Due to continuing uncertainty about the Covid situation, the Outreach group have decided not to run the parish raffle or "Coffee, Cakes and Crackers", which are two of our main annual fundraising events. We are therefore asking if parishioners who normally donate to Outreach via these events would consider making a direct contribution instead. There are several ways you can do this:

Cheques and cash donations can be left at the presbytery marked "Outreach FAO Liz Mason".

Cheques can be posted to Paul Embley (Outreach Treasurer)
c/o 29 Chantrey Road, Sheffield S8 8QU [N.B. Please make cheques payable to Outreach OLST Diocese of Hallam] Payment can be made via bank transfer using the following details:

Payee: Outreach OLST Sort Code: 54-41-47 Account No: 24273988

St Wilfrid's are looking for the following staff:

Welfare Worker 30 hours per week, Monday to Friday.

Senior Administrator 35 hours per week, Monday to Friday. Further details are on the website at www.stwilfridscentre.org/vacancies or you can contact the Centre for further details please phone 0114 2555720.

Give to Live, the monthly collection of our small change, 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.



Countdown to COP26: 1 day to go:

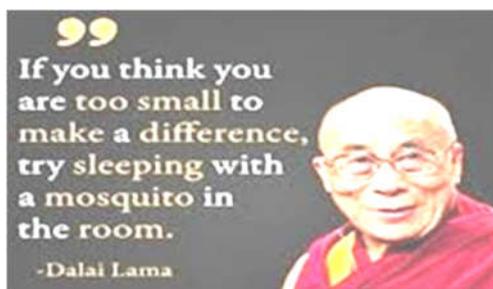


- ♦ Join the global day of action on Saturday 6 November to make sure that our call for climate action is not ignored. Register for London Register for Glasgow Details at <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Events/COP26-Day-of-Action-2021>
- ♦ Or you can join in locally at 12 noon on Devonshire Green, Sheffield S1 4GT. Or also at 12 noon at Chesterfield Town Hall, Rose Hill, Chesterfield S40 1LP details at <https://cop26coalition.org/map/>
- ♦ Prayer chain: Please continue much needed prayers for successful outcomes from COP 26. You can find a prayer for the COP26 climate summit at <https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Prayer-resources/COP26-prayer> along with links to other prayers and resources.

If you would like to receive the newsletter by email each week, please contact the office or email your address.

Nothing Gold Can Stay by Robert Frost

Nature's first green is gold,
Her hardest hue to hold.
Her early leaf's a flower;
But only so an hour.
Then leaf subsides to leaf.
So Eden sank to grief,
So dawn goes down to day.
Nothing gold can stay.



Parking - Please remember parking outside church on a Sunday morning is restricted between 9.00am-12 noon to those with a blue disabled badge. This is to ensure parishioners with mobility problems are able to park closer to church.

During the lockdown and with the low numbers attending church this hasn't been an issue of late; however, some disabled parishioners have been unable to park over recent weeks as the numbers coming to Mass have increased. Please be aware that Traffic Wardens are now patrolling the area and the chances are you will end up with a ticket if you park there without a valid blue badge.



About All Saints Day

The earliest certain observance of a feast in honour of all the saints is an early fourth-century commemoration of "all the martyrs." Later, when Christians were free to worship according to their consciences, the Church acknowledged other paths to sanctity. In the early centuries the only criterion was popular acclaim, even when the bishop's approval became the final step in placing a commemoration on the calendar. The first papal canonization occurred in 993. The lengthy process now required to prove extraordinary sanctity took form in the last 500 years. Today's feast honours the obscure as well as the famous - the saints each of us have known.

About All Souls Day

The Church has encouraged prayer for the dead from the earliest times as an act of Christian charity. In the middle of the 11th century, Saint Odilo, abbot of Cluny, France, decreed that all Cluniac monasteries offer special prayers and sing the Office for the Dead on November 2, the day after the feast of All Saints. The custom spread from Cluny and was finally adopted throughout the Roman Church.

The theological underpinning of the feast is the acknowledgment of human frailty. Since few people achieve perfection in this life but go to the grave still scarred with traces of sinfulness, some period of purification seems necessary before a soul comes face-to-face with God. The Council of Trent in the 16th century affirmed this purgatory state and insisted that the prayers of the living can speed the process of purification.

Prayer for the dead is one of the great arguments which divide Christians. Appalled by the abuse of indulgences in the Church of his day, Martin Luther rejected the concept of purgatory. Yet prayer for a loved one is, for the believer, a way of erasing any distance, even death. In prayer we stand in God's presence in the company of someone we love, even if that person has gone before us into death.

This week's ministries:

Communion:

9.15am: S Portaluri

11.15am: J Tucker

Readers:

6.30pm: D Fletcher, G Wilkinson

9.15am: R Portaluri, F Green

11.15am: A Willcock, M Richardson

Next week's ministries for 6/7 November

Communion	9.15 a.m.	S Jones
	11.15 a.m.	A Tucker
Readers	5.00 p.m.	E Watson, A Southeran
	9.15 a.m.	J Fojut, G Cort
	11.15 a.m.	D Lewis, F Glaze
Welcomers	9.15 a.m.	Youth Pub
	11.15 a.m.	E Williamson

Prayer for the COP26 Climate Summit

Loving God,

We praise your name with all you have created. You are present in the whole universe, and in the smallest of creatures.

We acknowledge the responsibilities you have placed upon us as stewards of your creation.

May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders at COP26 as they seek to embrace the changes needed to foster a more sustainable society.

Instil in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions for the poorest and most vulnerable, and commit their nations to the care of Our Common Home.

We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ your Son. Amen

This Week's Readings

ALL SAINTS DAY

First Reading: *Apocalypse 7:2-4,9-14*

Responsorial Psalm: 23

Second Reading: *1 John 3:1-3*

Gospel: *Matthew 5:1-12*

Next Week's Readings

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: *1 Kings 17:10-16*

Responsorial Psalm: 145

Second Reading: *Hebrews 9:24-28*

Gospel: *Mark 12:41-44*

Prayer for All Saints Day

Almighty ever-living God, by whose gift we venerate in one celebration the merits of all the Saints, bestow on us, we pray, through the prayers of so many intercessors, an abundance of the reconciliation with you for which we earnestly long. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

