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

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
9th August 2026 Psalter Week 3

Saturday (Totley)

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday

9.15 a.m. Laura Henderson ✝

11.15 a.m. Olivia Walker ✝

Monday **ST LAWRENCE, DEACON, MARTYR**

No Mass

Tuesday (Totley) St Clare, Virgin

10.00 a.m. Pask Family

Wednesday *St Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious*

10.00 a.m. Lisa Bluff

Thursday *Ss Pontius, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs*

No Mass

Friday **St Maximillian Kolbe, Priest, Martyr**

12.00 p.m. Sarah Checkley

Saturday *Feria*

10.45 a.m. Sr. M. Radoslava (Mara) Princip ✝

Next week's Masses

Totley - Saturday

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

Meadowhead - Sunday

9.15 a.m. Ron Mason ✝

11.15 a.m. Teresa Moffett ✝

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: Isabelle Wragg, Tom O'Brien, Norah Chisholm, Dermot Glackin, Paul Smith, Anne & John Grayson, Anne McPhee, Philomena McNally, Helen Aulton, Sue Jarman, and Stephen Bingley.

Responsorial Psalm: 85

R: Show us, O Lord. Your mercy, and grant us your salvation

Offertory: Loose plate and envelopes total for 2nd August 2026 was £329.76. Thank you.

Come to Mass with no cash? You can donate by card on the card machines. - and gift-aid too!

Events for the Coming Week
Monday 6.45pm SVP Meeting 17th August

Our Parish Safeguarding representatives are:
Angela Holman and Helen Simmerson
Email address: safeguarding.olst@hallam-diocese.com

Registered Charity No 512021

Oppose Assisted Suicide

An urgent message from the Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales (CBCEW)

A Private Members' Bill on assisted suicide – so-called assisted dying – has been reintroduced to the House of Commons. The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill will have its Second Reading and vote on **Friday, 11 September 2026**. Archbishop Richard Moth, President of the Bishops' Conference, explains our strong opposition to this legislation:

"The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill which aims to legalise assisted suicide has returned to the House of Commons, and Members of Parliament will vote on its Second Reading on 11 September. This bill is wrong in principle. It is also deeply flawed and, if passed, could lead to vulnerable people feeling pressured into ending their lives. The Bill has a serious lack of protection for health and social care staff and risks putting many wonderful hospices and care homes in the position of no longer being able to operate. I urge you to **write to your Members of Parliament** to petition them to vote against the Bill at Second Reading."

You can support the Archbishop's call and **contact your MP now** as a matter of urgency. Even if you have already done so in the past, please speak up and voice your opposition. The charity Right to Life UK has a simple online mechanism to do this. It takes little more than a few minutes to enter your postcode, make sure the suggested text suits your viewpoint and submit your message to ask your MP to stop this flawed Bill progressing through parliament.

Youth Group - back in September!

Before we restart in September, we want to hear from our young people about what they'd like the youth group to be. If you have anyone aged 11–18 at home, please have a chat with them and fill in this short survey by scanning this QR code.

What should we do? When works best? What else would they like to see for young people in our parish? It all helps — and it only takes a couple of minutes. Thank you!



The family of Teresa Moffett would like to express their sincere thanks for all the kind messages of condolence, prayers, cards and Mass offerings received following the death of our dear Mum. It has all been a source of great comfort. Thanks also to Father Clement, the Sacristans, Organist and all who joined us to give thanks for Teresa's life. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your Intentions.

Every year, on 6 and 9 August, we remember the victims of the atomic **bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki**. In an increasingly fragile world, where the nuclear threat has once again become a tangible reality, this commemoration is not only a moment of mourning, but a genuine call to conscience.

The campaign "*Lanterns for Peace: From Hiroshima to the World*", developed by [Pax Christi International](#) and the [Hiroshima Coventry Club \(Touro Project\)](#), is a global initiative marking the anniversary of one of the darkest chapters in human history. Inspired by the lantern ceremonies held each year in Hiroshima, the campaign invites communities around the world to organise local commemorative events using traditional lanterns as symbols of remembrance, peace, hope, and nuclear disarmament.

For more information visit <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/lanterns-for-peace-from-hiroshima-to-the-world/>

Celebration of Married Life - On Saturday 19th September, Bishop Marcus will preside at a special Celebration Mass for Married Life at St Marie's Cathedral at 12:30pm for couples and their families celebrating their 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 70th wedding anniversary jubilees this calendar year. Newly married couples are also welcome to come. During the liturgy, there will be an opportunity for couples, who wish to do so, to renew their marriage vows. If you would like to take part in this celebration, please fill out the application form at <https://hallam-diocese.com/celebration-of-married-life/>
Further details from: formation-mission@hallam-diocese.com, or Tel: 0114 256 6410

RCIA - Journey In Faith Programme 2026 - 2027

Please note, Journey in Faith is taking a break for the summer. The next meeting will be **on 3rd September**.



NOTE for next weekend: As the traditional date for its celebration falls on a Saturday this year, the **Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** is transferred from the 15th to next Sunday, 16th August.

If you notice anything on or around the church premises which has the potential to cause harm or requires repair, please let Simon Jones (phone 07808283807), Fr Clement or Liz Mason 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.

NEW Joint Diocesan Camino for the Year of St Francis of Assisi

Leeds Walsingham Way is a NEW Joint Diocesan Camino for the Year of St Francis of Assisi! Full information and links for Day Pilgrims to sign up for any of the days walking through Leeds or Hallam Dioceses here: <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/day-pilgrims-invited-to-join-new-diocesan-walking-pilgrimage/> ALL welcome to join for Mass: Camino begins Saturday 12 September with 8am Pilgrims' Mass at Leeds Cathedral, followed by walk to Wakefield; 8am Sunday Mass at St Austin's, Wakefield, followed by walk into Hallam; Tuesday 15 September 8am Mass at St Marie's Cathedral, Sheffield, followed by walk to Padley Martyrs' Chapel.



BETHLEHEM BALL - RAFFLE TICKETS

The Bethlehem Ball fundraising evening is on Saturday, 14th November at the Crown Plaza Victoria Hotel.

As part of our fundraising, there is a raffle, which raises a large part of the total monies. Tickets are available in envelopes at the back of church. Each envelope has five books of 5 tickets.

Tickets are £1 each. If you can please take an envelope and either sell or buy as many of the tickets as you can. Anything you can sell will be very much appreciated and every penny will go the **BETHLEHEM CARE & HOSPICE TRUST**. **First prize £500.**



Grace Foodbank Our regular 3rd Sunday collection of Groceries in church for our local Foodbank here in S8 is this coming Sunday, 17th August. Or you can donate at any time at shops eg Sainsbury, Archer Rd. We are currently shortest of: tins of meat, fish, soup, potatoes, fruit, and spaghetti hoops, microwave rice, jam, shampoo & shower gel, washing up liquid. For updates to the list and other information eg how to donate money, please check out <https://gracefoodbanksheffield.org.uk/> Thank you.



Aid to the Church in Need have composed a petition called Article 18.

There are more than 20 million Christians living in countries with religious persecution and discrimination. Please sign this petition using one of the cards in the porch. Article 18 will then be sent to the United Nations and the UK government to ensure that the right to religious freedom is upheld globally. A day called "Red Wednesday" is celebrated annually to support this right.

Please take a card after Mass and scan where indicated so as to sign the petition.

Calling all recent First Holy Communicants

(and any other young people who may be interested). Would you like to help our parish community **by becoming an altar server**? Anyone who has received their First Holy Communion may serve. If you would like to do so at any of our Masses, please see Kevan Grady after the 9:15 Mass some time over the next few weeks. Thank you.



Papal visit to Lourdes 24th - 29th September 2026. Limited places. Interested? Contact Tangey Tours at sales@tangney-tours.com or ring 01732 886666.

Website www.tangney-tours.com

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100 CLUB JULY 2026 DRAW
PRIZE POT £118

1st PRIZE £82.60 **LIZ WILLIAMSON**
2nd PRIZE £3.60 **TREVOR HALLIDAY**
3rd PRIZE £11.80 **DI LEWIS**

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Join March for Life UK on Saturday 5 September in London for the annual march for life, the 'Pro-Life Summit' and 'Youth Summit'. Unite with thousands of others at this family-friendly event, where we recognise the value of life from conception, and help all people understand why abortion is a tragedy in itself and one that harms the family to the very core. Find out more at marchforlife.co.uk or email info@marchforlife.co.uk To book a seat from Sheffield, email 40dforlsheffield@gmail.com

Hospital Chaplaincy: When a Catholic is admitted to hospital, it is essential that they are recorded as Catholic on their medical records AND that the Catholic Chaplain, **Fr Andrew or Sr Anne Ihunnia** is notified. The Chaplaincy Office number is 0114 2715485 or email the chaplaincy at sth.chaplaincy@nhs.net



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



The Blessing of Unanswered Prayers

I asked God for strength that I might achieve;
 I was made weak that I might learn humbly to obey.

I asked for health that I might do greater things;
 I was given infirmity that I might do better things.

I asked for riches that I might be happy;
 I was given poverty that I might be wise.

I asked for power that I might have the praise of men;
 I was given weakness that I might feel the need of God.

I asked for all things that I might enjoy life;
 I was given life that I might enjoy all things.

I got nothing that I had asked for,
 but everything that I had hoped for.

Almost despite myself my unspoken prayers were answered;
 I am, among all men, most richly blessed.

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for August
For evangelisation in the city.

Let us pray that in large cities, often marked by anonymity and loneliness, we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Friday 14 August is the Feast Day of **St Maximilian Kolbe**. Born in Poland in 1894 he joined the Franciscans in Lwów in 1910, and was ordained eight years later. He believed Christians must fight for the world's salvation with all the means of modern communication. He founded a newspaper, and a sodality called the Knights of Mary Immaculate, and a community, a "city of Mary," at Teresin: In 1930 he went to Japan, and through the Japanese edition of his newspaper spread the Christian message in a way in harmony with Japanese culture.

He returned to Poland in 1936. When Hitler invaded in 1939, the Teresin community sheltered thousands of refugees, most of them Jews. In 1941 Maximilian was sent to at Auschwitz. When a prisoner escaped, the authorities sentenced ten people to die by starvation. Maximilian offered to take the place of one of them chosen as that man had a family. The offer was accepted, and he spent his last days comforting his fellow prisoners. The man he saved was present at the ceremony for Maximilian's canonisation in 1982.

Prayer for the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Almighty, ever-living God,
 we confidently call you Father as well as Lord.
 Renew your Spirit in our hearts:
 make us ever more perfectly your children,
 so that we may enter upon the inheritance
 you have promised us.
 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
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

First Reading: *1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a*

Responsorial Psalm: 85

Second Reading: *Romans 9:1-5*

Gospel: *Matthew 14:22-33*

Next Week's Readings
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

First Reading: *Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab*

Responsorial Psalm: 45

Second Reading: *Corinthians 15:20-27*

Gospel: *Luke 1:39-56*

This Week's Ministries 8/9 August 2026

Readers	5.00p.m.	H Simmerson, D Fletcher
	9.15a.m.	B Ayanleke, F Green
	11.15a.m.	B Jones, M Paterson
Communion	5.00p.m.	S Davey, J Brook
	9.15a.m.	C Parsons, N Parsons, M Ayanleke
	11.15a.m.	M Harrison, J McNally, P Orkamfat

This Week's Ministries 15/16 August 2026

Readers	5.00p.m.	D Hilliard, A Southeran
	9.15a.m.	A Peacey, L Grady
	11.15a.m.	S Morrissey, I Paterson
Communion	5.00p.m.	V Coomer, K Durkin
	9.15a.m.	H Grady, D Winter, B Ayanleke
	11.15a.m.	H Stones, S Campos, K O'Brien
Welcomers	9.15a.m.	Volunteer needed
	11.15a.m.	S Campos, H Stones