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**The Month of March is dedicated to Saint Joseph**

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (C)**

**Sunday, 9th March 2025**

**Saturday (Totley)**

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

**Sunday**

9.15 a.m. Mary and Tom Butterworth

11.15 a.m. Corazon Gilbert

**Monday** *Lenten Feria*

No Mass

**Tuesday (Totley)** *Lenten Feria*

10.00 a.m.

10.30 a.m. Stations of the Cross

**Wednesday** *Lenten Feria*

9.30 a.m. Stations of the Cross

10.00 a.m.

**Thursday** *Lenten Feria*

No Mass

**Friday** *Lenten Feria*

12.00 p.m. Dead List

**Saturday** **BL JOHN ANN (AMIAS)  
PRIEST AND MARTYR**

10.45 a.m.

**Next Week's Masses**

**Saturday - Totley**

5.00 p.m. People of the Parish

**Sunday - Meadowhead**

9.15 a.m. Oliver Wragg

11.15 a.m. Peter Amann

**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,  
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.

**Responsorial Psalm: 91**

**R:** Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.

**Offertory:** Loose plate and envelopes total for 2nd March 2025 is £267.47. 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!

**Events for the Coming Week**

**Monday** 17th March 6.45pm SVP Meeting

**Friday** 12.30 Lunch Club follows Mass

**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.**

*Registered Charity No 512021*

**There is a Parish retreat to Ampleforth 3-5th October 2025. There are just a FEW PLACES left and I have now invited parishioners from other parishes so if you are thinking of going you need to contact me asap. £190 full board. All rooms are ensuite. If you would like to go please let Liz Mason know as soon as possible. First come first served!**

**A Lenten Day of Reflection with Bishop Ralph Heskett  
CSsR Saturday 22 March 2025**

11:00-4:00 pm Hallam Pastoral Centre



The event is free. Participants should bring their own packed lunch.  
Please book on the diocesan Eventbrite Page <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/hallam-formation-and-mission-46212155433> using this QR Code

**Stations of the Cross During Lent**

Starting from Tuesday 11 March, there will be Stations of the Cross after Mass on Tuesdays at Totley and before Mass on Wednesdays, at 9.30 at Meadowhead.

**If you would like to lead the Stations on one of the Wednesdays at Meadowhead, please talk to Tony Willcock..**

**Join CAFOD's Big Lent Walk in the Jubilee Year**

You are invited to join CAFOD's Big Lent Walk and journey together with Catholics in England, Wales and Scotland as Pilgrims of Hope in this Jubilee Year - walking 200km over 40 days during Lent. Journey to one of the churches or shrines designated as places of pilgrimage in our diocese as part of your Big Lent Walk. Every £1 you raise will support communities like Lokho's in Kenya, experiencing the worst impact of the climate crisis, to rebuild their lives in hope. Sign up here: <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/>

**Restoring the OLST Gardens** Any contributions to help revitalise the gardens can be left on the patio – any small shrubs, non-invasive plants, bulbs, instant colour etc Thank you

**Bonhoeffer 12A is showing at Sheffield Cineworld - Valley Entertainments Centre, S9 2EP this Friday, 7th - Thursday, 13th March: Daily at 2pm\* & 7.50pm. No 2pm performance on Saturday or Sunday.**

For details, trailer and to book go to: [bonhoefferfilm.com](http://bonhoefferfilm.com)

*"An inspiring, faith-filled story...Bonhoeffer's courage remains as provocative and powerful as ever"*

**My Day by Day** - There are copies of My Day by Day for Lent available on the repository table £1.00 each There are also versions for Infants and juniors available which are 95p each. These are a valuable resource and especially useful when talking to and explaining the Easter story and Jesus' journey to young ones.

**Lent Lunch TODAY 9th March  
CANCELLED**



Unfortunately, Anne has broken her arm so has had to cancel today's lunch. It will hopefully be rearranged after Easter.

**Next Lent Lunch: Sunday 23rd March**  
hosted by Mini Vinnies.

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

**Parish Council - The minutes** of the parish council meeting held on 18th February are available at the back of church. If more copies are required let me know.

**Lenten Offertory Collections:** As you'll have seen in last week's insert, we are invited to be signs of Hope by contributing goods in kind for people in need in our area. Thank you for your donations today of household goods and money for SVP Furniture Project If you ever need larger furniture collecting, please call 0114 270 3990 or email [infosheffield@svp.org.uk](mailto:infosheffield@svp.org.uk) Thank you. Next week: is the regular 3rd Sunday of the month collection for Grace Foodbank who are currently shortest of Coffee, Tinned meat, Rice, Biscuits, Jam, Tinned potatoes, Rice pudding, Washing up liquid, Fruit squash, Shampoo but stocks are critically low so every single packet, tin or jar will be very gratefully received! For more information eg how to donate money, please check out <https://gracefoodbanksheffield.org.uk/> Thank you.

**Our Parish Safeguarding representatives are:**

**Angela Holman and Claire Parsons Email address: [safeguarding.olst@hallam-diocese.com](mailto:safeguarding.olst@hallam-diocese.com)**

**Family Fast Day this Friday 14th March.** When Lokho's animals died in a drought in N Kenya, she couldn't feed her family. Wakera, a CAFOD partner, shared his skills for growing food in harsh climates, providing her with seeds, tools and shade nets to protect her plants from the scorching sun, while still allowing every drop of precious rain through. By selling her produce, Lokho saves for when there are no more rainy days. She's gained resilience and hope, knowing she can now feed her family.

**Our parish's support this Lent**, using the envelope attached, will be a vital way we can respond to Pope Francis' call for us to be tangible signs of hope and help mums like Lokho to grow food in harsh climates (exacerbated by Climate Change), building safety nets for their families. Thank for your support. More details at [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk)

**Help us to create a BUZZ!** at **St Wilfrid's Centre**

Following the success of last year's flower cascade, we are going to create a GIANT BEE to add to our display, made of chicken wire and knitted strips

We are aiming to complete the bee by the time the Director has completed the Tour de Hallam on 6 June 2025 (more details to follow) Initial calculations indicate that we need over 4000 strips

**Suggested Easy Knitting Pattern for a 6" x 1" strip**

Please adjust number of stitches according to tension

Using 4mm knitting needles and double knitting wool (golden yellow or black)  
Cast on 40 stitches.  
Knit 10 Rows  
Cast off and sew in ends

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**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.

**The Poet's Calendar  
Henry Wadsworth Longfellow  
March**

I Martius am! Once first, and now the third!  
To lead the Year was my appointed place;  
A mortal dispossessed me by a word,  
And set there Janus with the double face.  
Hence I make war on all the human race;  
I shake the cities with my hurricanes;  
I flood the rivers and their banks efface,  
And drown the farms and hamlets with my rains.

**Lenten Offertory Collections:** Throughout Lent as we make greater efforts at self denial for the health of our own body & soul, we can also benefit our neighbours' bodies and souls by channelling any money saved thereby to meet their needs through continuing support of CAFOD's work and by joining in the Practical Offertories. (see the plan in the Lent insert.)  
**Starting TODAY**

**1st Sunday of Lent:** household items for the SVP Furniture Project, e.g; cutlery, crockery, pots, pans, bedding and towels.

**2nd Sunday of Lent:** CAFOD Fast Day envelope collection and Groceries for Grace Food Bank

**3rd Sunday of Lent:** Commitment to give your time and skills (*More on this closer to the time*)

**4th Sunday of Lent:** Money collection for LIFE;

**5th Sunday of Lent:** Regular 1st Sunday Give to Live collection and tinned meat and vegetable casseroles, cleaning materials for St Wilfrid's Centre.

**6th Sunday of Lent:** Small /medium underwear pants, vests and T Shirts, socks and size 7-10 shoes for Ben's Centre.



**Mass Setting - New Celtic Liturgy**  
**Gloria 1013 Holy Holy 553 Memorial Acclamation 554**  
**Amen 555 Lamb of God 591**



**Prayer for the First Week of Lent**

Lord, be my strength as I enter the first full week of Lent. Guide me in my thoughts, my words, my actions this week. I ask you to bless me and to be my support. In your goodness help me this week to turn my heart to you in a spirit of self-denial. Grant me a readiness to forgive as you forgive me, considerate to others, generous to the poor and the needy of our world. May you support me throughout this week as I try to do my best to make this week special, turning my heart to you in trust and confidence. I know you will be my strength. Amen

*The Prayer Trust*

**A Reflection for the First Sunday of Lent**

Lent has always been one of the key periods of the Church year, and it would be a great pity if we were to forget its real meaning. In the Opening Prayer of today's Mass we ask: "Grant almighty God, through the observance of holy Lent, that we may grow in understanding of the riches hidden in Christ and, by worthy conduct, pursue their effects." The whole purpose of Lent is summarised in that prayer – to understand the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus and to live that out in our own lives. The six weeks of Lent are almost like an annual retreat, a time for deepening the understanding of our Christian faith, a time for reflection and renewal, a time to make a fresh start.

*From [www.sacredpspace.ie](http://www.sacredpspace.ie)*

**Thought for the Week**

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*When you feel down  
because you didn't get  
what you wanted,  
just sit tight and be  
happy because God  
has thought of something  
better to give you.*

~

**Prayer for the Week**

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,  
 Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,  
 Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ where I lie,  
 Christ where I sit, Christ where I arise,  
 Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,  
 Christ in the mouth of every man who speaks of me  
 Christ in every eye that sees me,  
 Christ in every ear that hears me  
 Salvation is of the Lord,  
 Salvation is of Christ.  
 May your salvation, Lord be ever with us.

*St Patrick (385-461)*

**This Week's Readings  
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (C)**

**First Reading:** *Deuteronomy 26:4-10*

**Responsorial Psalm:** *91*

**Second Reading:** *Romans 10:8-13*

**Gospel:** *Luke 4:1-13*

**Next Week's Readings  
SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT (C)**

**First Reading:** *Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18*

**Responsorial Psalm:** *27*

**Second Reading:** *Philippians 3:17-4:1*

**Gospel:** *Luke 9:28b-36*

**This Week's Ministries 8/9 March 2025 (C)**

<b>Readers</b>	5.00 p.m.	2 Volunteers needed
	9.15 a.m.	K Corker, S Corker
	11.15 a.m.	M Pybus, I Patterson
<b>Communion</b>	5.00 p.m.	S Davey, J Brook
	9.15 a.m.	R Portaluri, S Jones, R Gasser
	11.15 a.m.	E Williamson, M Richardson, P Corkell

**Next Week's Ministries 15/16 March 2025 (C)**

<b>Readers</b>	5.00 p.m.	V Coomer, D Fletcher
	9.15 a.m.	C Farragher, F Green
	11.15 a.m.	M Pybus
<b>Communion</b>	5.00 p.m.	C Udall, K Durkin
	9.15 a.m.	H Grady, J Tucker, B Ayanleke
	11.15 a.m.	S Campos, M Harrison, J McNally
<b>Welcomers</b>	9.15 a.m.	S Jones
	11.15 a.m.	A Willcock