Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints,

at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.





An Act of Spiritual Communion.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most **Blessed Sacrament.**

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there, and I unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. (Saint Alphonsus Liquori)

Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in our daily battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God thrust down into hell

Satan and all the other evil spirits who prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

NOur Lady of Lourdes R Pray for Us

N St. Theresa R Pray for Us

N St. Anthony R Pray for Us



Confessions Available after every weekday and Saturday Vigil Mass or by advanced

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 30 minutes before Weekday Mass

Anointing of the sick In cases of emergency only.

<u>booking.</u>

WHO ARE THEY???

The Holy Mother Church today, celebrates the solemnity of ALL SAINTS. We celebrate this great feast with joy because we rejoice with our brothers and sisters who have already made it in heaven. The members of the Church Triumphant. We are glad because we are assured that they are there praying for us every day. More so, we are encouraged that after our earthly journey here, we shall join them to behold eternally the glory of God, though, not without doing the will of God. It is a longing that gives deeper joy! But, wait a minute! Who are they? They are Saints of God!!! They were normal people like us from different tribes, colours, different languages, different professions and vocations, young and old. This shows that heaven is not meant for a particular sect or nation but only for those who do the will of God (Mt 12:50). They passed through trials and temptations. They had the same weaknesses and faults and failings as we have and yet they never forgot God and never gave up trying to live a decent Christian life. Put simply, they were sinners made saints by the saving grace of God.

HOW DID THEY MAKE IT? Surely, they made every effort to 'strive to enter through the narrow door' (LK 13:24). They 'went through trials and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb' (Rev 7:14). They applied the beatitudes as their code of conduct (Mt 5:1-12). They were poor in spirit; they passed through pains and sorrows; they practiced the virtue of meekness. Just like a deer thirsts for running water, so they thirsted and hungered for righteousness. They showed mercy and compassion to others. They exercised purity of heart for St John says that "everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure" (1 Jn 3:3). Again, they were peacemakers and sought for peace. Over and above all, they endured persecutions and trials, they passed through abuse and mockery, they overcame temptations and obstacles. Going through all these patiently and confidently, today they are in heaven beholding eternally the presence of God.

CAN WE MAKE IT? Why not! If they made it, why can't we. WHAT THEN CAN WE DO? To this, Pope St Clement 1 in his letter to the Corinthians admonishes "We should then strive with the greatest zeal to be found among the number of those who await him, so that we may share in the promised gifts. How will this be, beloved? If our mind is fixed on God through faith, if we are diligent in seeking what is pleasing and acceptable to him, if we fulfil what is ac-

cording to his blameless will and follow the way of truth, casting away from ourselves all that is unholy"

Let us then, live by the norms of the beatitudes and keep to our faith till the end so as to join the Saints eternally in heaven beholding the glory of God. I wish you a happy feast day!

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November Devotion: The Holy Souls All Saints, Year C 2nd November 2025 **Psalter Week 3**



Saturday, 1st November,

6.00pm, Our Lady of Lourdes - SVP Beneficiaries

Sunday, 2nd November,

8.30am, St Anthony's - John Stainrod RIP

9.45am, Our Lady of Lourdes - Robert

O'Rourke RIP

11.00am, St. Theresa's - Peaceful Repose of the Souls of Cyril & Nneka Ezuruike RIP



Monday, 3rd November, 10.00am, Our Lady of Lourdes

All Souls— All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, 4th November, 10.00am, Our Lady of Lourdes

St Charles Borromeo, Bishop — November Memorial List

Wednesday, 5th November, 10.00am, Our Lady of Lourdes

Weekday—Mr Sabu Mathew RIP

Thursday, 6th November 11.00am, St. Theresa's

Weekday - November Memorial List

Friday, 7th November, 10.00am, Our Lady of Lourdes

Weekday— November Memorial List

Next Weekend's Masses (Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, Yr. C)

Saturday 8th November 6.00pm, Our Lady of Lourdes -

SVP Beneficiaries

Sunday 9th November

8.30am, St. Anthony's -Edward Kryslak RIP

9.45am, Our Lady of Lourdes -

People of the Parishes

11.00am St. Theresa's -

Richard Milkowski RIP

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

Our Lady of Lourdes: The Holy Souls in

Purgatory

Sponsor: The Parish

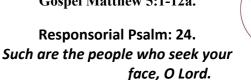
St. Anthony's: John Stainrod RIP

Sponsor: Brenda Stainrod

St. Theresa's: The Holy Souls in Purga-

Sponsor: The Parish

Sunday Readings: 1st Revelation 7:2-4,9-14. 2nd 1 John 3:1-3. Gospel Matthew 5:1-12a.





Gospel Acclamation, Matthew 11:28. Alleluia, alleluia, Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, says the Lord, and I will give you rest.



Prayer for All Saints Day

Dear God.

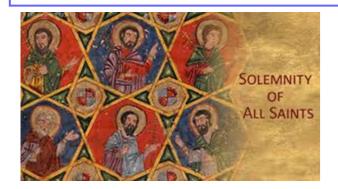
thank you for the example of the Saints.

I desire to join in their company, worshiping you forever in Heaven.

Please help me follow their footsteps.

and yours, Jesus Christ. Please help me to conform myself to Your image, seeking Your will in all things, as the Saints did.

Please help me to devote myself, and all that I do, to Your glory, and to the service of my neighbours



Stop assisted suicide - further action needed! Sending a physical letter carries particular weight with Members of the House of Lords. Right To Life UK has created a simple tool that generates personalised letters to Peers, each focused on a specific area of concern. You can then print them, or copy them out by hand, sign, and post them.

Please take action now and visit

Weekend Cash Collections 25th/26th October

Our Lady of Lourdes..... £471.00

St Anthony's.....

St Theresa's

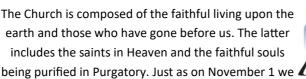
Thank you.

www.righttolife.org.uk/aspeersletter to send a letter to Peers asking them to oppose assisted

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Why do we celebrate All Souls Day?

honour those who are with God, on November 2 Catholics celebrate a Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. Also known as All Souls' Day, on this day we honour them for their fidelity in life, as well as pray for them since they are being purified before entering the All Holy Presence of God. As Revelation 21:27 says of the Heavenly Jerusalem, "... nothing unclean shall enter in."

Our Lady of Lourdes Fundraising Our next event is the Nearly New sale on 15 **November**, and we are still collecting lightly worn or brand-new clothing and accessories which can be left at the back of church up to 9 November.



Following this will be our Christmas Fair on 29 November. We are looking for helpers and donations - the lists are at the back of church. Please leave any bottles, chocolate, books, toys, Christmas items, unwanted gifts, unused beauty products etc at the back of church. Any questions, please ask Sal or another member of the fundraising committee. Thank you.

Foodbank

We are now supporting the Gleadless Foodbank in their new premises, and they are very happy to accept all donations. Their current ask is for tinned meat and fish, but any items are gratefully received.



Support for St. Wilfrid's Centre

Tinned ham, chocolate biscuits and crisps for light lunches and snacks



Safeguarding Representatives

St. Theresa's—Debi Stringer

OLOL—Tessa Taylor



School News

St John Fisher School news: www.st-johnfisher.org

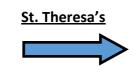
St Theresa's School news: www.st-theresas-sheffield.co.uk



These QR Codes can be used to make an offering using your smartphone. Simply scan the relevant QR code and follow the on screen instructions.

OLOL/St. Anthony's







Please pray for all the elderly, the sick and the housebound of our three churches including those named below.

Rita O'Hara, Clare Roberts, Jennie Heenan, Caitlin Rose Goss, Beryl Stafford, Jean Grove, Liliana Poole, Jean White, Shirley Foster, Sean Kilcoyne, Avis Hurst, Gloria Andrews, Chena Drakesmith, Marj Hall, Melvin Hanlon, John Carroll, Joan Hill, Claire Lawson, Patricia Foster, Christopher Browne, Mr. Shannon, Margaret Betson, Paul Manning, Annabel Taylor, John Nicholson, Philomena Walker, Lesley Osborne, Gail Hook, Elizabeth Dodson, Gemma Thomas, David Dowling, Fr. David Stafford, Ursula & Paul Parker, Tessa Taylor.

Please pray for the repose of the recently deceased souls & those whose anniversaries occur about this time.



FREE Wellbeing Course for Women

A free six-week course for a happier and more relaxed you

- · Emotional self-care. which allows us to take time for the benefit of ou health and well-being.
- · Thinking about putting your own needs first. Being more assertive and
- setting boundarie, so that you can communicate better and more
- effectively at home and
- Build resilience and recover from trauma, to move forward in your life
- Stress and relaxation technique.
- Learning new skills for more relaxed you.





Be Still and Know that I am God, 14 - 17 November 2025

A three-day retreat led by Fr Roger Dawson, SJ, aiming to help participants find a greater attentiveness and disposition to God's presence in their lives through a disciplining of the mind and awareness of the present moment.

https://christianheritagecentre.com/ events/be-still-and-know-that-i-am-god



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Why not book one of the Parish Halls? For bookings at Our Lady of Lourdes please contact Mark on 07852164838 or via email olol.churchhallbookings@gmail.com

For bookings at St Theresa's Hall please contact Debi on



Refreshments at Our Lady of Lourdes

Refreshments are available every week after Sunday Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes in the Parish Hall. Come along and enjoy a drink and a chat.



From Monday 27 October, Weekday Masses at OLOL will be held in the Parish Hall Meeting Room.



The Hallam Bridge – The Monthly Diocesan Newsletter

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Advent Afternoon of Recollection

Join Bishop Ralph for an Afternoon of Recollection on the eve of Advent, 29 November

2:30-5:30 pm at the Hallam Pastoral Centre. Book on the Formation & Mission Eventbrite Page using this link or QR code

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/hallam-formationand-mission-46212155433

Further details from the Formation and Mission team 0114 256 6410.



Ignatian Spiritual Exercises: Mens' retreat, 4 & 11 February 2026

A fantastic opportunity to experience St Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises in a 5-day, shortened form. The retreat will be guided by the monastic community of St Joseph's Abbey, Flavigny (France), who were founded with the specific charism of offering this version of the Exercises and with a particular apostolate to men. The retreat is open to men in all states of life, who wish to seek God's will through a deepened detachment from the world. https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/mens-retreat-spiritual -exercises-of-st-ignatius

The bulletin for November has been sponsored by Margaret Hartill. Thank

