

*O lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you;
of you my heart has spoken:
Seek his face;
hide not your face from me, alleluia.*



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 Liguori)

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.

✠ Our Lady of Lourdes ✠ Pray for Us

✠ St. Theresa ✠ Pray for Us

✠ St. Anthony ✠ Pray for Us



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

Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament
30 minutes before Weekday Mass

Anointing of the sick
In cases of emergency only.

THAT THEY MAY ALL BE ONE!!!

Just as many vocal parts make up a choir, so it is that many parts in a body make one body. No part of the body is less important than the other. They all work together to keep the body going. The Soprano part in a choir cannot say it sings better than Alto, neither can the Tenor say it sings better than the Bass. Rather, all of them sing together to make a beautiful choir. So, many vocal parts one choir; many parts one body and different people one nation. That the hands are different from the legs does not make them enemies and as the head is not the tummy does not make them enemies as well. Again, that they are differently made does not mean that they are enemies and should be at war. In other words, that they are differently made does not imply that they should be fighting each other or see each other as an unhealthy competitor. Rather, they are differently made to beautify the body and as such work together to keep the body alive and active. My point, for the fact that people are differently made; different characters, colours, heights, mentality, tribe and culture, does not mean that they are enemies and should be fighting each other. That we are created differently does not mean that we should be divided. We are created differently to live together in the society and beautify the society with our different talents and gifts. There is no need for unhealthy competition, no need for jealousy, no need to fight each other because we are created to complement each other. Little wonder in the Gospel today Jesus made this passionate prayer to God. He says "Holy Father, I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me" (Jn 17:20). After His resurrection, Jesus visited His disciples and gave them the gift of peace. This gift of peace cannot be effective if the His disciples are not united. Hence, He prayed for unity before His earthly departure. Jesus is so passionate about this: **THAT THEY MAY BE ONE.** For this to be possible, St Paul admonishes "Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called" (Eph. 4:2-5). We must see the other as a subject and not as an object. Let us see ourselves as friends and live together in peace and not in pieces. Let us think more of what unites us than on things that divide us. The disciples of Jesus were able to receive the Holy Spirit because they stayed together in peace and prayed together with one mind and one heart. They say, united we stand but divided we fall. May this beautiful prayer of Christ come to fulfilment in our broken and divided world today. Amen. I wish you a lovely Sunday!!!



Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them.
John 17:7, NRSV

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St Theresa's and Our Lady of Lourdes with St Anthony's

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May Devotion: Our Lady
7th Sunday of Easter, Yr. A
17th May 2026
Psalter Week 3



Saturday, 16th May,

6.00pm, Our Lady of Lourdes –
Reece Edgar (Birthday)

Sunday, 17th May,

8.30am, St Anthony's – People of the Parishes
9.45am, Our Lady of Lourdes – Clara & Nicholas Sequeira (Intentions)
11.00am, St. Theresa's – November Memorial List

Monday, 18th May, NO MASS

Eastertide Weekday

Tuesday, 19th May, 11.30am,, Our Lady of Lourdes

Eastertide Weekday
Requiem Mass for Enid Statham

Wednesday 20th May, 7.00pm, Our Lady of Lourdes

Eastertide Weekday—Fr Bede prays for your good hearts desires

Thursday 21st May, 12.00pm, St. Theresa's

Eastertide Weekday
Requiem Mass for Michael Anthony Claridge

Friday, 22nd May, 10.00am, Our Lady of Lourdes

Eastertide Weekday—November Memorial List

Next Weekend's Masses (Pentecost, Yr. A)

Saturday 23rd May
6.00pm, Our Lady of Lourdes
Patrick Heenan RIP (Birthday)



Sunday 24th May
8.30am, St. Anthony's
The Sick & Housebound of Our Parishes
9.45am, Our Lady of Lourdes
Tatenda Mudzamiri (Special Intention)
11.00am St. Theresa's
People of the Parishes.

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

Our Lady of Lourdes: The Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sponsor: The Parish



St. Anthony's: The Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sponsor: The Parish

St. Theresa's: The Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sponsor: The Parish

Sunday Readings:
1st Acts 1:12-14.
2nd 1 Peter 4:13-16.
Gospel John 17:1-11a.



Responsorial Psalm: 27.
I believe I shall see the LORD'S goodness in the land of the living.

Gospel Acclamation Cf. John 14:18.
Alleluia, alleluia.
I will not leave you as orphans, says the Lord. I am going away and I will come to you, and your hearts will rejoice.
Alleluia.

SUMMER FAIR WITH FUN & GAMES
 Our Lady of Lourdes Saturday, 27th June, 2-4pm



We are once again looking for volunteers to man stalls and help on the day. The list of stalls is available at the back of church for you to add your name. A list of items for the popular bottle stall and items for refreshments we require are also at the back of church. Donations pledged will help us raise funds for our Parish.

We are already welcoming other donations for stalls: Books, toys, jewellery, toiletries, summer holiday items, new and nearly new items.

Thank you for all your support. It is so much appreciated.

If you have any questions, please speak to Renate

Requiem Masses

Requiem Mass for Enid Statham at Our Lady of Lourdes on Tuesday 19th May at 11.30am,

Requiem Mass for Michael Anthony Claridge at St. Theresa's on Thursday 21st May at 12 noon.

Join Bishop Ralph on his last pilgrimage with Hallam! Diocese of Hallam Youth LOURDES - 25 PLACES AVAILABLE

Diocese of Hallam Youth 26 June - 2 July 2026 for young people 16-18yrs

REPRESENT THE YOUTH AT BISHOP RALPH'S FINAL HALLAM PILGRIMAGE

Yellow shirts youth group - flying return to Lourdes. Cost £695 plus travel insurance Tel: 07717 014488

Instagram: @hallam_youth.

FOR MORE CONTACT INFORMATION: EMAIL: YOUTH@HALLAM-DIOCESE.COM

Visit the Shrine of Our Lady Assist Pilgrims. Spend time in prayer.

CLF is a one-week residential programme at Stonyhurst for Year 12 and Year 13 students. It combines theology, philosophy, media skills, and leadership development with daily liturgies and a strong social element. Students consistently tell us it is the most formative experience of their school years, saying:

"Exploring natural theology gave me the ability to confidently articulate and defend my faith." — Alexy

"Reassurance that there are others my age willing to engage in Catholic practices." — Catherine

"The course inspired me to talk about faith with confidence, kindness and truth." — Qiyi

"I was guided into a depth of theology and philosophy which, as a scientist, I never knew." — Klaud

This summer's courses are:

Year 13 — The Human Ecology: 5-10 July

Year 12 — The Common Good: 10-15 August

Scholarships are available.

The website is: www.christianleadershipformation.com

Opportunity for a part-time CAP Debt Centre Manager.

The role involves supporting people struggling with debt through practical support, encouragement and partnership with local churches.

Key details:

- CAP Debt Centre Manager
- Part-time – minimum 16 hours per week
- £12.76 per hour
- Training provided
- Christian faith essential
- Application deadline: Friday 23rd May


For more information call: 01143503232



POSITION AVAILABLE


Tea and Coffee at Our Lady of Lourdes

Tea and coffee is available in the church hall after Sunday mass most weeks of the year, so please join us for drink and a chat as a parish community. If you would like to join our volunteers to serve refreshments, please see Sal to add your name to the list.



Foodbank Donations

Our parish make regular donations to the Gleadless Foodbank. Please consider adding non-perishable grocery items to your shopping to donate in the box at the back of each church. **Tinned vegetables (especially potatoes), jam, cereal, noodles, tinned meat or fish, snacks, UHT milk or juice, squash, lunch box drinks.** All of these gratefully received. Thank you.




The next Social & Fundraising at Our Lady of Lourdes is on Tuesday 19th May at 7pm in the Parish Hall. All welcome.

Support for St. Wilfrid's Centre

Chocolate biscuits and crisps for light lunches and snacks and they in special need of **tinned meat** for sandwiches.



Catholic Legacy Week, 24-30 May, is a time when Parishes and Catholic charities such as CAFOD celebrate the work made possible in the life of the Church through gifts in Wills. Find out more about the week using QR code or at cafod.org.uk/CatholicLegacyWeek




HE sees loves hears US PSALM 116:1-2

THE GREAT ADVENTURE
 Your Journey Through the Bible

Psalms - School of Prayer

Psalms: The School of Prayer is an eleven-session study that explores how the Psalms teach us to pray and respond to God with faith and trust. At the heart of Scripture are the Psalms, prayers inspired by the Holy Spirit, sung by Israel, and prayed by Christ and our Blessed Mother. **These sacred hymns invite us into a personal dialogue with God.** In this study, we will explore the Psalms and discover how these ancient prayers express every human emotion while pointing to the life and mission of Jesus. In this study we aim to deepen our life of prayer and meditation and application to our lives today.

Group sessions are each Thursday at 6:30 in Our Lady of Lourdes Community Hall. You're very welcome!

for more information
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 Laurie - petch.laurie@gmail.com


Weekend Cash Collections 9th/10th May

Our Lady of Lourdes..... £437.56

St Anthony's..... £157.10

St Theresa's£383.18

Thank you.



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  **St. Theresa'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, Tessa Taylor.

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



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** is notified on the Chaplaincy Office number **01142715485** or Chaplaincy email on sth.chaplaincy@nhs.net

The Gospel Delivery Project – volunteers needed!

Candida Calvert, from St Marie's Cathedral, is looking for 10 local volunteers to help deliver a gift of the Gospel of St Mark to over 2,200 homes in our local area, during the month of June. This will be done in conjunction with the other churches in Hackenthorpe / Birley area. There are 2 roles: the first is to deliver Postcards and Prayers during the last week of May; the second is as a Doorstep Deliverer, delivering the Gospels (2 hours per week) during the month of June. Full training will be given for both roles.

For more information, email Candida.calvert@stmariescathedral.org

There is a Holy Hour for Life (Adoration) at Mother of God Church (Abbeyle Rd, S7 1DX) on the last Saturday of the month, after the 10.00am Mass.

Planning a Celebration?

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 07838481106



The bulletin for May has been sponsored anonymously. Thank you.