

***You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right;
treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.***



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

Confession
Absolution

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.

LOVE IS THE FULFILLING OF THE LAW

Our brother Paul admonishes us that love is the essence of all commandments. Loving our neighbour ensures that we do no harm and promote peace and unity. This love is not merely a feeling but an active commitment to care for others in practical ways. Hence, St Paul challenges us in the second

reading today to “owe no one anything, except to love each other. For the one who loves another has fulfilled the law”

With this sense of love, we all are called to be watchmen for one another just like Ezekiel in the first reading. That means we are obliged to speak up with love when others stray from the part of righteousness and kindness as silence over

wrongdoing can be seen as lack of love. Hence, God reminds us in the first reading that if we fail to warn someone of his wrongdoing or correct someone of his misdemeanour and the person dies of his wrongdoing that He is going to ask us some questions. So, we need to speak up and not keep quiet at wrong doings or evils. Silence is not always golden!!! Let us always correct and condemn evil though with love. Thus, love is the bottom line of all we do as Christians. Take note, any act that is done no matter how noble but without love does not give God any glory. Sometimes, when someone wrongs us, the tendency is to avoid the person and bear grudges against the person or go out and gossip with the person. We often find it difficult to go to the person and iron it out with the person amicably. Jesus teaches otherwise! We should learn how to apply love in order to win the person back. So, when someone wrongs you, first of all go to the person and settle it with him/ her. If the person refuses take along with you one or two others along with you. If the person refuses let the Church know about it. If the person refuses to listen to the Church, then treat him/her as a Gentile and a tax collector. But the question is, how did Jesus treat the Gentiles and Tax collectors? Jesus treated Gentiles and tax collectors with compassion, love, dignity and openness. Inasmuch as He didn't support sin and dishonesty, but he called them to repentance and gave them the opportunity to change. So, it is a call for reconciliation and not humiliation, empathy and not judgement.

Let us learn how to forgive and live in unity for Jesus says that “For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them” Let there be love!!! I wish you a lovely Sunday!!!

FR BEDE



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

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September Devotion: The Seven Sorrows of Mary

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr. A

6th September 2026

Psalter Week 3



Saturday, 5th September,

6.00pm, Our Lady of Lourdes –
Wladyslaw Domanski RIP (Anniversary)

Sunday, 6th September,

8.30am, St Anthony's – Mary Wingfield RIP (Anniversary)

9.45am, Our Lady of Lourdes – Agnes Boratyn (Birthday)

11.00am, St. Theresa's – Desmond Knight RIP (Birthday)

Monday, 7th September, NO MASS
Weekday

Tuesday, 8th September, 10.00am, Our Lady of Lourdes

The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary — The Sick & Housebound of Our Parishes

Wednesday 9th September, 7.00pm, Our Lady of Lourdes

Weekday—Fr Bede prays for your good hearts desires

Thursday 10th September, 11.00am, St Theresa's

With St Theresa's School

Weekday — Cath Millward RIP

Friday, 11th September, 10.00am, Our Lady of Lourdes

Weekday — Robert & Isobel McAulay (Golden Wedding Anniversary)

Next Weekend's Masses (24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr. A)

Saturday 12th September

6.00pm, Our Lady of Lourdes
SVP Beneficiaries

Sunday 13th September

8.30am, St. Anthony's
Margery Metham RIP (Anniversary)

9.45am, Our Lady of Lourdes
Maria Lita Perez (Healing and Recovery)

11.00am St. Theresa's
Michael Staniland RIP (Birthday)



Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

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

St. Anthony's: The Holy Souls in Purgatory
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St. Theresa's: The Holy Souls in Purgatory
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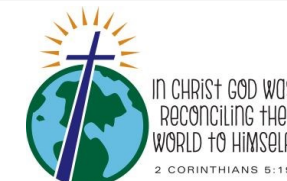
Sunday Readings:
1st Ezekiel 33:7-9.
2nd Romans 13:8-10.
Gospel Matthew 18:15-20.

Responsorial Psalm: 95.

O that today you would listen to his voice!
“Harden not your hearts.”

Gospel Acclamation, 2 Corinthians 5:19
Alleluia, alleluia.

God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.
Alleluia.



The Flame of Love devotion starts at Our Lady of Lourdes on Monday 21st September at 7pm.
Please do come along and experience this beautiful devotion.



The St Vincent de Paul Furniture Store on Queens Road, Sheffield, collects and then redistributes unwanted furniture and household items without charge to people who are disadvantaged because of poverty, deprivation and other circumstances. If you have any items to donate or wish to make a cash donation to support our work, please phone 0114 270 3990 between 9.00am and 3.00pm or visit www.svp.org.uk/sheffield-furniture-store.



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 Requiem Mass for Catherine Millward RIP is on Thursday 24th September at 12 noon at St. Theresa's Church.
Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord.

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., Isobel Wragg

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



Diocese of Hallam

WOMEN TOGETHER IN HALLAM
OCTOBER GATHERING

Women's Ministry in Hallam – What's Going On?
Celebrate. Share. Inspire.

All are welcome!

SATURDAY 10 OCTOBER 2026



GUEST SPEAKERS

Shauna Hilton, along with two other parishioners, will share about the many years they have spent in their parish leading various groups and ministries, including:
Reflection meetings
Bereavement support
Liturgy
Support groups
And other forms of parish ministry
Their experience will help us discover and celebrate the many ways women contribute to the life of the Church.



SOUP LUNCH

Soup will be provided.

Suggested donation: £5 to help cover costs.



Hallam Pastoral Centre,
St Charles Street
Sheffield
S9 3WU



Please let us know if you'll be attending!

Scan the QR code or use the link:

<https://forms.gle/97RnNZMgtEW2B5aX9>

Please fill in the form to confirm your attendance.
Alternatively, you can call 0114 256 6412 and leave your name and contact number.



Support for St. Wilfrid's
Chocolate biscuits and crisps for light lunches and snacks and they are in special need of **tinned meat, salad cream and mayonnaise** for sandwiches.



Family Games Night
Our annual Family Games Night is back! Beetle Drive, Playing Card Bingo and more, with prizes for each game. Suitable for all ages. £1 entry for the evening, children under 5 are free. Raffle with great prizes, tea and coffee available, and a shared buffet table – please bring something to add to the feast. Bring friends and family or come alone – all games are played as individuals. Open to all three churches. Please sign up at the back of church in Our Lady of Lourdes, message Sal Robinson-Oates or email the parish office.



Open Day
St John Fisher
Primary School

Come and meet us, look around and find out more about our special school.
We welcome all children of all faiths and none.

Saturday 27th
September
10am to 12pm

Springwater Avenue
Hackenthorpe
Sheffield
S12 4HJ

- Tour the school
- Meet teachers
- Review curriculum
- Ask questions

For more info:
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Visit us:
www.st-johnfisher.org
enquiries@st-johnfisher.org



Registration for Sacramental preparation 2027
The registration forms for Confirmation will be available to collect from the weekend of 26th/27th September. For all registrations, due to increased costs, the fee for each child will be £20 for the programme. If you have any questions, please speak to Sal Robinson-Oates or email the parish office.



Marriage Help - Communication failure is a major cause of marital breakdown - 1,000's of couples have found Retrouvaille helped their relationship. Retrouvaille is not counselling but a programme to help married couples work through conflicts more effectively. We focus on helping restore trust and hope. **Bookings close 18th Sept.** www.Retrouvaille.org.uk +44 7887 296 983

Gift Aid – it costs you nothing extra

If you are a UK taxpayer, please consider using Gift Aid when you give to the church. Gift Aid allows the church to reclaim 25p from HMRC for every £1 you donate, at no extra cost to you.

For example, if you give £20, the church can reclaim an additional £5, making your gift worth £25 to the church. Every little bit helps our churches.

You can give by cash in a Gift Aid envelope or by standing order. Simply complete a Gift Aid declaration so that your donations can be claimed.

For a Gift Aid form at St Theresa's please see Madeleine.

For Our

Lady of Lourdes and St Anthony's, please email the parish office.

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QUIET RETREATS FOR ADULTS THIS OCTOBER

During October half term, Castlerigg Manor is running a quiet retreat for individual adults who want to spend a few days of peace, relaxation and prayer in the Lake District. Each day there will be a talk, Mass, and evening prayer, and then a lot of time to explore the area, pray, or just simply relax.

Book at castleriggmanor.com/events or contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk



Children's Liturgy for children from FS2 to Y5 will restart at Our Lady of Lourdes from the weekend of 3rd/4th October.



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

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 lol.churchhallbookings@gmail.com
For bookings at St Theresa's Hall please contact Debi on 07577897291



The bulletin for September has been sponsored by Cody Barker. Thank you.