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Palm Sunday of The Lord's Passion

13 April 2025

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Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound, especially: Sharon Whitfield, Oliver Wragg, Karen Andrew, Martin Tasker, Terry George, Mary Cooper, Mary Broomhead, Sonia Prince, Jade Goodinson, Alan Charlesworth, Harley Bond, Pauline Sheppard, Jackie Whelan, Ann Parkinson, Lol Hodges, Joyce McGowan, Heidi Howson, Audrey Rodgers, Sylvia Hayden, Janette Taylor, Reece Wilson, Liz Moran, Elizabeth Dodson, Eunice Mannion, Sue & Frank Rodgers, Andy Mitchell, Marie Montgomery, Rita & Vin Todd, Georgina Shirt, Maria Tarnowski, Susan De Couto, Jacqueline Wagland, Sr. Teresa Paschal, Tom Bryant. If you would like anyone included on this list, and the individual concerned or a family member has consented to it, simply write the person's name down and hand it in. Thank you.

Catholic Chaplain urgent call: NGH: 0114 2434343, Hallamshire Hospital: 0114 2711900. Ask for the Catholic priest on duty (day or night).

Last week's collection was £609.24 (£283.00 in offertory envelopes and £326.24 in loose). Many thanks for your continuing support.

Easter Flowers: There is a **retiring collection this weekend** to help decorate our beautiful church for Easter.

Volunteers are wanted to help with Spring cleaning the church on Holy Saturday morning, 19 April, from 9am to 11am. There are lots of little jobs as well as sweeping and mopping so all are welcome. Many thanks.

Holy Week

- Confessions: on the Monday and Tuesday, 14 & 15 April, at 3.15pm to 4.15pm there will be two sessions of after-school Confessions. N.B. The final public Confessions before Easter will be on Tuesday evening, 15 April, at 6.00 to 7.00pm (or until finished if later).
- On **Spy Wednesday**, **16 April**, at 11.00am Bishop Heskett will celebrate the **Mass of Chrism** at the cathedral.
- On **Spy Wednesday**, **16 April**, **St Joseph's School** will perform their **Passion Play** in the church at 2.00pm. All welcome.
- Maundy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper: Washing of Feet: There is a list at the back of church for 12 people who are willing to sign-up and take part by having a foot washed during this celebration. Many thanks.
- Good Friday is a day of Fasting & Abstinence; everyone aged 14 years and older should abstain from consuming meat, while everyone aged from 18 to 59 should fast, unless exempt (usually for a medical reason). Regardless of age, everyone is encouraged to observe the spirit of the day and to assume some form of penance.
- On **Good Friday** there will be a **retiring collection** to support the upkeep of **The Holy Places** in the Holy Land.
- **Altar Servers:** There will be **practises** for each of the Triduum services, on Holy Thursday at 6.45pm, Good Friday at 2.15pm and Holy Saturday at 7.15pm. Thank you for all that you do.

Parish Pastoral Council: As I spoke about recently, please think about if you, or a person you know in the parish, should be considered as someone able to serve the parish as a member of the council. Likewise, please ponder if you have a skill or talent that you are willing to offer from time to time, without being regularly committed to a particular role or meetings. In either case, please speak with me or our deacon, Simon.

The Piety Stall has a selection of suitable items and cards for Easter.

Novena to Our Lady Perpetual Succour

This year our annual novena will run for nine Thursdays from Thursday, 1 May, at 7.00pm. As part of our observance of the Holy Year, this year's theme will consider the Fruits of the Holy Spirit. The tradition of the Church lists twelve such fruits and the Catechism calls them 'perfections that the Holy Spirit forms in us as the first fruits of eternal glory.'

Thursday, 1 May, Charity

Thursday, 8 May, Joy

Thursday, 15 May, Peace

Thursday, 22 May, Patience

Thursday, 29 May, Kindness & Goodness

Thursday, 5 June, Generosity

Thursday, 12 June, Gentleness & Faithfulness

Thursday, 19 June, Modesty & Self-control

Thursday, 26 June, Chastity

We will conclude with Mass at 7.00pm on the final evening.

Mandatory Safeguarding Training: the diocesan Safeguarding team are running some in-person Safeguarding Level 2 training days as an alternative to completing the training online. This training is open to anyone but is mandatory for all volunteers working with children or vulnerable adults. If you have completed the online module on renewal of your DBS check – then you do not need to repeat the module. To book or if you have any queries, please contact Jo Pearson on 0114 2566453 or at jpearson@hallam-diocese.com

Dates for your diary...

Thursday, 29 May, the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, a *Holyday* of *Obligation*. There will be a Vigil Mass at 7.00pm on Wednesday, 28 May, and Mass at 10.00am on Thursday, 29 May.

Sunday, 8 June, the Solemnity of Pentecost & the conclusion of Eastertide.

Sunday, 15 June, the Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity.

Sunday, 22 June, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi.

Friday, 27 June, the Solemnity of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Sunday, 28 & 29 June, the Solemnity of Ss Peter & St Paul.

Hurt by Abortion? Abortion impacts families and the wider community. Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a life-affirming charity that offers a healing ministry to anyone hurt by abortion. Contact Rachel MacKenzie on rachel@rachelsvineyard.org.uk

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Palm Sunday 13 April	8.45am
Palm Sunday of	Peter & Cecelia O'Hara
The Passion of the Lord	10.00am
	Steve George
	Followed by Stations of the Cross
Monday 14 April	<u>7.15am</u>
Monday of Holy Week	Intentions of Louise George
	3.15 – 4.15pm
	Confessions
Tuesday 15 April	10.00am
Tuesday of Holy Week	John Stringer
	3.15 – 4.15pm
	Confessions
	6.00 - 7.00pm
	Confessions
Spy Wednesday 16 April	11.00am
Wednesday of Holy Week	The Mass of Chrism
	at St Marie's Cathedral
Maundy Thursday 17 April	7.30pm The Supper of the Lord
Holy Thursday	Vocations to the Priesthood
	Followed by Watching at the Altar of
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Good Friday 18 April	3.00pm The Passion of the Lord
	7.00pm
	Stations of the Cross & Veneration
Holy Saturday 19 April	
Holy Saturday	
The Easter Vigil of the	8.00pm
Resurrection of the Lord	Bill Pollock
Easter Sunday 20 April	8.45am
The Resurrection of the Lord	For the People
	10.00am
	Sid Fitzpatrick

Please pray for all who have died recently & for those whose anniversaries occur around this time.