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The Fifth Sunday Easter

4 May 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).

‘St Joseph’s School would like to **invite you to join them for our Marian Procession**, which will take place on **Friday, 6 June, at 1:30pm**. This is a special tradition in our school calendar where we come together as a school and parish family to honour Our Lady.

The procession will begin in the school grounds and will include prayers, hymns, and the crowning of Mary. We encourage all children to bring a small flower to carry during the procession, which they will offer as part of the celebration. The children are also being asked to wear a blue top for this occasion.

Following the procession, cream teas will be available for purchase in the school hall. We warmly invite you to stay and enjoy our beautiful grounds and some refreshments with us, following the procession. All proceeds will go towards supporting school activities and resources.

We hope to see many of you there for this meaningful and enjoyable event.’

Warm regards,

Mrs D McFarlane, Head teacher

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, 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.

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.

Friday, 6 June, at 1:30pm, St Joseph’s School Marian Procession.

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.

Two of our young parishioners, Ivane and Lenny, will be travelling to Rome with the diocese for the Jubilee of Youth & World Youth Day, July 28 to August 4. There is a **sponsored walk** around Waverley lake **on Friday, 30 May**, and sponsorship forms can be found at the back of the church. On **Saturday, 7 June**, the youngsters and our UCM will host a **'Nearly new tabletop sale'** on the lawn and churchyard. We ask that people save any unwanted gifts or nearly new items or clothes - NOT JUMBLE - and donate them to the sale. We also would like any raffle prizes from businesses or individuals who wish to support our campaign. Our aim is to sell the raffle tickets in advance at the end of Masses, 24 & 25 May and 31 May & 1 June, for the draw on the 7 June. There will be a drop off time for donations on Friday, 6 June, after the 10am Mass and again between 2.30-3.30 the same day. If you are interested in making a cash donation please speak with Mons M, Deacon Simon, or Louise George. The Pilgrim pack is £80, Flights, £340, Accommodation £650 & coaches in Rome £85.

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.

Diocesan Walsingham Pilgrimage Saturday 26 July 2025. Led by Bishop Heskett. Coach: 7.35 am from The Bridge Inn on Corporation Street Rotherham, 8 am Penny Black Pond Hill. Adults £26 & under-16 £15. Contact J Durham, 07939 152558 or joseph.durham52@gmail.com

Landscape Gardener required: St Bernard's School would like to create a reflective prayer garden and are looking for a recommendation of someone or a company to come and help plan and create this. If you think you could help or know anyone who might be interested please can you contact Tammy either by email at tneal@sbch.org.uk or on 01709 828183

Abortion: Impact and Tragedy. Let's talk about it! Please join us for this Pro-Life Mass at 10am on Saturday, 7 June, at the Mother of God Church. Celebrant will be Bishop Ralph Heskett. There will be a number of prominent members of the Pro-Life movement speaking at the event and a light lunch and refreshments are also provided. All welcome.

THE SACRED LITURGY	
Sunday 18 May <i>Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>	8.45am John & Sheila Armstrong 10.00am Intentions of Pope Leo XIV
Monday 19 May <i>Eastertide weekday</i>	9.00am Michael McManus
Tuesday 20 May <i>Eastertide weekday</i>	10.00am Intentions of Margaret Hegarty
Wednesday 21 May <i>Eastertide weekday</i>	November Memorial Dead List
Thursday 22 May <i>Eastertide weekday</i>	9.00am Vocations 7.00pm Week 4 Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
Friday 23 May <i>Eastertide weekday</i>	9.30am Holy Souls in Purgatory 10.45am Funeral Service of Russell Sizeland-Shirt RIP
Saturday 24 May <i>Eastertide weekday</i> <i>Vigil Mass of Sunday</i>	4.00 – 4.30pm Confessions 5.00pm John Flaherty
Sunday 25 May <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	8.45am For the People 10.00am Seamus Larelle

Please pray for Seamus Larelle & Russell Sizeland-Shirt RIP, for all who have died recently & for those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Last week's collection was £730.91 (£323.00 in offertory envelopes and £407.91 in loose) and the collection for the Priests' Training Fund was £338.00. Thank you for your generosity.

N.B. The annual service for the national day of Prayer for Survivors of Abuse that was to take place at St. Theresa's Parish Hall this Tuesday, 20 May, has been cancelled.