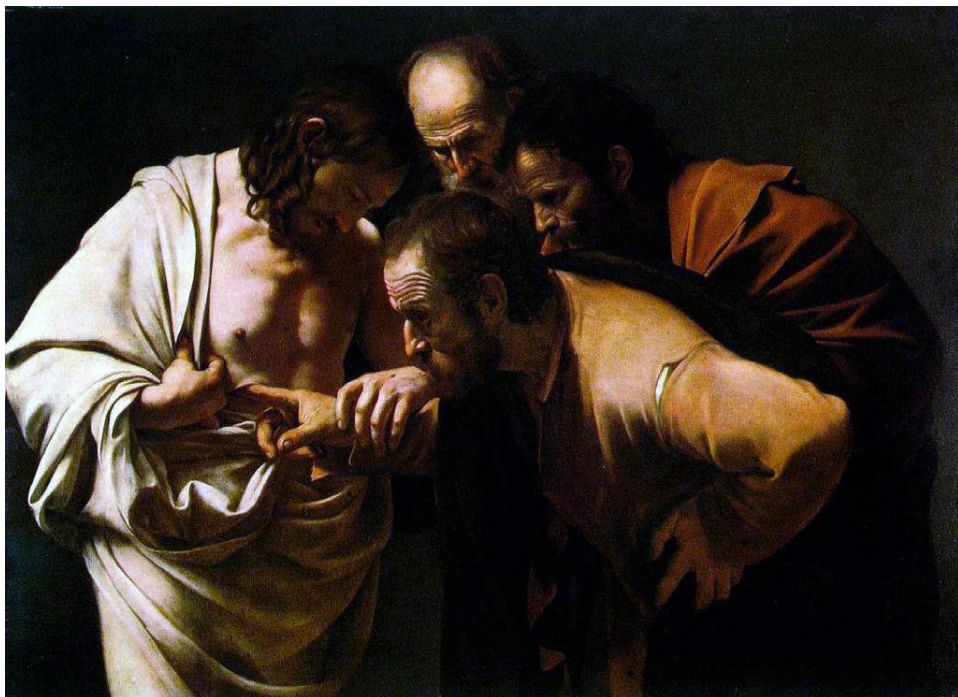


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2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy) C

24 April 2022

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Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound, especially: Ecaterina, Sheila Armstrong, Reece Wilson, Jason Barron, Liz Moran, Elizabeth Dodson, Pat Collett, Eunice Mannion, Madge Wolstenholme, Sue & Frank Rodgers, Andy Mitchell, Eileen Valance, Marie Montgomery, John Carroll, Lol Hodges, Sheila Habershon, Rita & Vin Todd, Georgina Shirt, Maria Tarnowski, Elizabeth Barron, Martin Humphreys, 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.*

Thank you

Our beautiful church looked splendid for Easter and particular thanks must go to our flower arrangers, sacristans, launderers and church cleaners for preparing and decorating it. The worthy celebration of the sacred liturgy places numerous demands upon many people during Holy Week and particular thanks must go to our deacon, altar servers, readers, organist & singers who enhanced our liturgical celebration. Our Piety stall, parish website and Facebook page kept us well-supplied, connected and informed and we thank those who serve us in this way. Finally, we thank all who participated and came together to celebrate the great events of Easter.

As a point of interest, our Easter Masses this year saw the church visited by 390 people, which is very encouraging as it was 0 in 2020 and 281 last year (when booking a place and limited, spaced seating were required). However, the pre-pandemic 2019 Easter saw 497 people in attendance so we have still got some work to do yet. Nevertheless, Easter is about renewal; I hope therefore that we can build on our positive 'bounce back' and, while continuing to support each other, we should always be mindful of our responsibility to reach out to others also. In this year of *Synodality* I commend our forthcoming novena as a way of helping us to think about different aspects of the Church and what can feed and freshen us.

Novena to Our Lady Perpetual Succour

Our annual novena will run for nine Tuesdays from this **Tuesday, 26 April, at 7.00pm**. In light of the Synodal process this year's theme will consider *Marks & Models of the Church*.

Tuesday, 26 April with *Introduction: Facets of a Diamond*, and then:

Tuesday, 3 May, *The Church is One and Holy*

Tuesday, 10 May, *The Church is Catholic and Apostolic*

Tuesday, 17 May, *The Church as Institution*

Tuesday, 24 May, *The Church as Mystical Communion*

Tuesday, 31 May, *The Church as Sacrament*

Tuesday, 7 June, *The Church as Herald*

Tuesday, 14 June, *The Church as Servant*

Tuesday, 21 June, *The Church as Community of Disciples*

The **Piety Stall** has a selection of items in anticipation of our forthcoming celebrations for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Opening times are after the Saturday vigil Mass and from 9:15am to 9:55am on Sundays, *i.e.* between the morning Masses.

After the successful resumption by our **Altar Servers** of their customary excellence during Holy Week (well done!) we welcome any Servers to resume their serving at the altar. Thank you. A meeting for new servers will take place after First Holy Communion.

Are you worried about your teenager? Far too many of our young people are marred by periods of poor mental health. This is why **Caritas Hallam** have agreed to fund a **seven week youth initiative**, using a tried and tested programme developed by the Children's Society. This cross-parish initiative is open to all teenagers, whether they attend church or not, and sessions will be held on Friday nights at **St Vincent's Mission Hub**, starting **Friday, 29 April**. To find out more and to register, please send an email to GoodShepherd@hallam-diocese.com

Hallam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham, Saturday 23 July, £18 adults, £12 students/children with the Procession along the Holy Mile, and Mass of Sunday. Coaches leave Pond Hill at 7.30am. Contact Joseph Durham, 07939 152558 joseph.durham52@gmail.com, or Francesca Flynn, 0114 2686247 francesca@fmflynn.plus.com

World Youth Day 2023 will take place next year in Lisbon, 31 July to 7 August. Our diocese has reserved a number of places and encourages any persons who will be between 15 – 30 years of age next year to express their interest by contacting Sue McDonald, Director of Youth Ministry at smcdonald@hallam-diocese.com

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Friday 24 June – Thursday 30 June (6 nights) £765.00 Full Board flying from Doncaster Airport, Insurance £33. Booking form and further details available from www.hallam-lourdes.com or telephone 07724 650066.

Easter Hymn by A E Housman

If in that Syrian garden, ages slain,
You sleep, and know not you are dead in vain,
Nor even in dreams behold how dark and bright
Ascends in smoke and fire by day and night
The hate you died to quench and could but fan,
Sleep well and see no morning, son of man.

But if, the grave rent and the stone rolled by,
At the right hand of majesty on high
You sit, and sitting so remember yet
Your tears, your agony and bloody sweat,
Your cross and passion and the life you gave,
Bow hither out of heaven and see and save.

Mass Intentions

<p>Sunday 24 April <i>Divine Mercy Sunday</i> <i>(2nd Sunday of Easter)</i></p>	<p>8.45am Sydney & Ellen Mason</p> <p>10.00am Jimmy Cahill</p>
<p>Monday 25 April <i>St Mark</i></p>	<p>10.00am Christine Rodley</p>
<p>Tuesday 26 April <i>St George</i></p>	<p>10.00am John Dakin</p> <p>7.00pm Week 1 of our Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour</p>
<p>Wednesday 27 April <i>Eastertide weekday</i></p>	<p>November Memorial List</p>
<p>Thursday 28 April <i>Eastertide weekday</i></p>	<p>10.00am Ann Weston</p>
<p>Friday 29 April <i>St Catherine of Siena</i></p>	<p>10.00am Thomas Conway Snr</p>
<p>Saturday 30 April <i>St Pius V</i> <i>Vigil Mass of Sunday</i></p>	<p>5.00pm Stephen Rice</p>
<p>Sunday 1 May <i>3rd Sunday of Easter</i></p>	<p>8.45am For the People</p> <p>10.00am Leanne Wainwright</p>

This week St Joseph's Sanctuary Lamp burns for:

The people of Ukraine

This week St Charles' Sanctuary Lamp burns for:

For peace

Please pray for Andrew Creswick and Ann Weston RIP, for all who have died recently & for those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Thank you for your considerate cards, gifts, Easter offerings, and for all your kindnesses and encouragements, they are much appreciated. Fr M.

A further £128.15 for **Humanitarian Aid for Ukraine** was donated (a total of £1355.12 so far). Thank you for your generosity!

There will be a **retiring collection** for the **Priests' Training Fund** on the weekend of **7 & 8 May**.