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**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**13 October 2024**

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**Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound, especially:**  
**Terry George, Mary Broomhead, Sonia Prince, Linda Wragg, Jade Goodinson, Alan Charlesworth, Harley Bond, Eileen McManus, Pauline Sheppard, Jackie Whelan, Ann Parkinson, Lol Hodges, Joyce McGowan, Heidi Howson, Audrey Rodgers, Sylvia Hayden, Janette Taylor, Reece Wilson, Jason Barron, Liz Moran, Elizabeth Dodson, Eunice Mannion, Sue & Frank Rodgers, Andy Mitchell, Marie Montgomery, 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.*

### *"Calling all knitters..."*

In preparation for our **Annual Crib appeal** we would like to offer wool for anyone who could make baby blankets or little hats to add to our donation. Please feel free to take whatever you need from the basket at the back of church and return what you have made to the Crib during Advent. Many thanks, St Joseph's UCM.'

#### *Dates for your diary:*

**Friday, 1 November**, The **Feast of All Saints** (All Hallows), is a **Holyday of Obligation**. There is a Vigil Mass on All Hallows Eve, Thursday, 31 October at 7.00pm and a 10.00am Mass, at St Joseph's on Friday, 1 November.

**Saturday, 2 November, All Souls Day**, 10.00am Mass at St Joseph's followed by Prayers for the Dead & the Blessing of Graves in the cemetery. **N.B.** Exposition will take place beforehand at 9.00 to 9.50am.

**Free Wellbeing Course for Women:** A free six-week course of weekly sessions is available online from Monday, 28 October, at 6.00 – 7.00pm. To book a place or find out for information contact Janet Kent 07927657462 or [jkent@hallam-diocese.com](mailto:jkent@hallam-diocese.com)

'The **St Vincent's Furniture Project** has been helping locally in Sheffield for 36 years. We urgently need beds, furniture and household equipment such as crockery, and bedding that is clean and in reasonable condition. We aim to provide decent living conditions for people who are often in desperate need. We collect and deliver the donated items for free, and we change lives. In the longer term might you be able to help us by volunteering, or with a standing order donation. You can make all the difference. Contact: [svp.org.uk/sheffield-furniture-store](http://svp.org.uk/sheffield-furniture-store) or tel. 270 3990. Thank you.'

**Schools' admissions & Baptism certificates (or certificates of Reception into Full Communion with the Catholic Church):** If you require a certificate in order to complete a child's school admission form then please email your request with the name and date of birth of the child and it will be attended to. If you can remember an approximate date for when the Baptism/ Reception took place then that is even more helpful. **N.B.** Applications to Catholic Schools by those in the admissions category above do NOT require a letter of support from a priest – the certificate is all that is required. A minister's letter of support is sought for non-Catholic children.

## **November Memorial Dead List 2024 – 2025**

The celebration of holy Mass is the simplest yet also the greatest means by which the Church on earth provides care and assistance for the dead – though we can also assist them in their ‘journey’ through the purification of purgatory by the personal means of our prayers, offered sufferings and penances, (especially when they have indulgences attached to them). Beginning in November we offer Masses for the Parish November Memorial Dead List throughout the year. To enrol a loved one on the list so that they are included in these Masses, please write the names of your deceased family, friends and benefactors, and put it, together with your offering, into an envelope marked ‘Dead List.’ You can hand the envelope in at the sacristy, office or give it to Fr M.

## **Registration for First Holy Communion 2025**

**Applications for children** (who started in Year 3 or above at school this September) to celebrate their First Holy Communion in 2025 **will shortly be invited.** I kindly remind parents that your support and active encouragement are vital in helping your child’s faith to grow, most especially in regularly attending Sunday Mass. Christian parents are called to teach their children all they need to know about how to live on earth so that they may come to eternal life in heaven.

**Volunteering Vacancies with the Diocese:** The diocese is seeking new volunteers for three very different roles. Would you consider being the lead person on environmental issues? Or do you have an interest in Archives? Do you have the experience to contribute to the Diocesan Buildings Committee? If any of these roles sound interesting, please take a look on the Vacancies page on the Diocesan website for more information.

As you may have seen in the news there will be a Bill introduced into parliament this month to legally permit medical doctors to end the life of those with a terminal illness. This bill is likely to be concerning on several levels but especially in the attempt to move doctors out of their primary duty to care for patients and towards participation in what will soon, if the bill is passed, become a new UK business sector of euthanasia provision. Please write to your MP in your own words (not more than one page) sharing your own experiences and views. You may find it helpful to watch the documentary *Better off Dead* written and presented by the disabled actress Liz Carr for BBC One and iPlayer about the rapid extension of assisted dying in Canada from just terminally ill people to a much wider group to assist you in contributing to these debates. Thank you.

**THE SACRED LITURGY**

<b>Sunday 13 October</b> <i>Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	<b>8.45am</b> For the people <b>10.00am</b> Frank Prince
<b>Monday 14 October</b> <i>Ordinary Time feria</i>	<b>9.00am</b> Gerard Hughes SJ
<b>Tuesday 15 October</b> <i>St Teresa of Ávila</i>	<b>10.00am</b> Betty Knight
<b>Wednesday 16 October</b> <i>Ordinary Time feria</i>	November Memorial List
<b>Thursday 17 October</b> <i>St Ignatius of Antioch</i>	<b>9.00am</b> Betty Morris
<b>Friday 18 October</b> <i>St Luke</i>	<b>9.00 – 9.55am</b> Exposition <b>10.00am</b> Kath Diver
<b>Saturday 19 October</b> <i>Ordinary Time feria Vigil Mass of the Sunday</i>	<b>4.00 – 4.30pm</b> Confessions <b>5.00pm</b> Peter Hammond
<b>Sunday 20 October</b> <i>Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	<b>8.45am</b> For the people <b>10.00am</b> Roy & Margaret Fitzpatrick

**Last week's collection was £745.57** (£347.50 in offertory envelopes, £398.07 in loose). Many thanks for your continuing support.

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

Last weekend's **CAFOD Family Fast Day** collection was £246.75. Thank you.

The **Piety Stall** is usually open before and after Mass on Saturdays and after the Sunday 8.45am Mass until the 10.00am Mass.

There is the annual **World Mission Sunday** retiring **collection next weekend**, 19 & 20 October, in support of the Church's universal mission.