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Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time 5 October 2025
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Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound, especially: Terry Donnelly, David Briggs, Judith Jackson, 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, 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, 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.

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There is a new Cleaning Rota available at the back of the church. Thank you to all our cleaners! More volunteers are always welcome, especially if there is a group of you who want to form a new team.

St Joseph's School will be celebrating their **Harvest Festival** in church at 2.00pm, this Tuesday, **7 October**. Each year group from Early Years to Year 6 will share a song, poem or drama. All are welcome.

If you married during 2025 or are you celebrating a significant wedding anniversary, e.g. 1st, 10th, 25th, 50th, etc., then Bishop Heskett cordially invites you to join him at a **diocesan Mass in thanksgiving for the Sacrament of holy Matrimony** on **11 October**, at St Peter's, Doncaster, at 12.00pm, followed by refreshments.

A **Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving** for volunteers: You are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving for all Volunteers on Saturday, 15 November, at 11am at Immaculate Conception Church, Rotherham. Bishop Ralph Heskett will be the principal celebrant. Refreshments will be served after Mass.

Registration for the Sacrament of Confirmation 2026

Bishop Heskett will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at St Joseph's on the Feast of Pentecost, **Saturday**, **23 May**, **2026**, at the 5.00pm vigil Mass

- If you are in **Year 8 or above** and you would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation then please e-mail Fr M at ssjosephandcharles@gmail.com for the registration form and the dates and times of preparation.
- If you are **18 years and above** and, for whatever reason, have not been Confirmed then you are also welcome to receive the Sacrament. **N.B.** Any adult preparation will be separate from that of those still at school. All applications should be received and completed by Sunday, 9 November. Thank you.

Registration for First Holy Communion 2026

Applications for children (who started in Year 3 or above at school this September) to celebrate their First Holy Communion in 2026 are now invited and you should speak with me after Mass. 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. All applications should be received and completed by Sunday, 23 November. Thank you.

Upcoming UCM events

'Following the success of our Advent appeal for **Baby Basics** and at the request of some of our knitters, the UCM will host a 'knit and natter' on Fridays after 10am Mass (starting this coming Friday, 10 October) for anyone who wants to join with others for a chat and a cuppa whilst knitting baby blankets and hats for the appeal. There will also be a basket at the back of church for any donations of wool or needles and for those who want to knit at home. The appeal itself will begin on the First Sunday of Advent and a list of suggested donations will be listed then.

We will also host our **Advent Wreath making** event on Thursday and Friday, **27 & 28 November**, after the daily Mass. This is a ticket only event due to space and numbers and tickets will be on sale in the coming weeks.

We are delighted as a group to welcome more new members, our next meeting is on Friday, 17 October after 10am Mass. Do join us for support and friendship and working together to serve our parish and the community.'

November Memorial Dead List 2025 - 2026

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.

Dates for your diary:

- **1 & 2 November**, Saturday & Sunday, The Feast of All Saints (*All Hallows*).
- **3 November**, Monday, the Commemoration of All Souls Day, 10.00am Mass at St Joseph's followed by Prayers for the Dead & the Blessing of Graves in the cemetery.
- **15 & 16 November,** annual Diocesan Mission Appeal on behalf of the Spiritans (Holy Ghost Fathers).

All Saints School: Sixth Form Open on Saturday 8 November at 10.00am to 12 Noon.

THE SACRED LITURGY	
Sunday 5 October	8.45am
Twenty-seventh Sunday	Intentions of Margaret Chapman
in Ordinary Time	10.00am
	For the People
Monday 6 October	9.00am
Ordinary Time feria	In Thanksgiving – various (LJ)
Tuesday 7 October	10.00am
Our Lady of the Rosary	Phyllis Amelia Caesar
Wednesday 8 October	November Memorial Dead List
Ordinary Time feria	
Thursday 9 October	9.00am
St John Henry Newman	Intentions of MGM
Friday 10 October	8.50 – 9.50am Exposition
Ordinary Time feria	10.00am
	Intentions of Family & Friends (MK)
Saturday 11 October	
Ordinary Time feria	
Vigil Mass of Sunday	4.00 – 4.30pm Confessions
	5.00pm
	In Reparation
Sunday 12 October	8.45am
Twenty-eighth Sunday	For the People
in Ordinary Time	10.00am
	Intentions of the Marklew Family

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

Last week's collection was £678.65 (£333.40 in offertory envelopes and £345.25 in loose). Thank you.

The CAFOD **Fast Day offerings box** available at all Masses this weekend.

The CTS Sunday Missal 2026, £9.95 is now available for pre-ordering from the Piety Stall.

Pope Leo has urged us to pray a daily Rosary for Peace in October: October is known as the month of the Holy Rosary and the Church considers it a powerful weapon against evil, as well as the perfect prayer to bring peace to the world. The rosary is prayed publicly before the Sunday morning 10am Mass.