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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

25 October 2026

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Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound, especially: Michael & Judith Jackson, Joan Conway, Anne Craven, David Briggs, Martin Tasker, Terry George, Mary Broomhead, Sonia Prince, Jade Goodinson, Alan Charlesworth, Harley Bond, Pauline Sheppard, Jackie Whelan, Ann Parkinson, Heidi Howson, Audrey Rodgers, Sylvia Hayden, Janette Taylor, Reece Wilson, Liz Moran, Elizabeth Dodson, Eunice Mannion, Sue & Frank Rodgers, Marie Montgomery. *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).**

Monday, **2 November**, Monday, will see us observe the Commemoration of **All Souls Day**. We shall have Mass at 10.00am followed by Prayers for the Dead & the Blessing of Graves in our cemetery.

‘Blesseds and Venerables, Saints in waiting’

St Joseph’s UCM are hosting a **study day by the UCM National Study Officer** titled, *Blesseds and Venerables, Saints in waiting*, **on Friday, 6 November, in the undercroft after 10.00am Mass**. There will be a break for lunch and the event will finish around 2.30pm Refreshments will be provided but please bring your own packed lunch.

This talk is open to everyone and all are welcome to attend, to learn about the process of sainthood and how our own prayers can advance the causes of those ‘saints in waiting’.

For further information please speak to Joanne Highton-Shirt or Louise George

The **annual diocesan Safeguarding event** on the theme of “*Every Interaction can be an Intervention*,” *How collaborative working across our communities can help to make a positive difference*, will take place on Saturday, 14 November, from 9.45am – 4.00pm at St. Peter-in-Chains, Doncaster, and will be led by Bishop Stock. All are welcome. The event is open to all Safeguarding Representatives, Parishioners and Volunteers with both refreshments and lunch provided. To book a place on the event please contact Jo. Pearson on 0114 2566453 or at jpearson@hallam-diocese.com

Dates for your diary:

Sunday, 8 November, Remembrance Sunday, the Proper for the 10.00am Mass will be for the Dead that day.

Sunday, 22 November, the Feast of Christ the King.

Sunday, 29 the First Sunday of Advent.

Registration for First Holy Communion 2027

Applications for children (who started in Year 3 or above at school this September) to celebrate their First Holy Communion in 2027 are now 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.

All applications should be completed and received by Sunday, 8 November. Thank you.

The UCM will be hosting their annual **Advent & Christmas Wreath making** event on 27 & 28 November. This is a ticket only event due to space and numbers; tickets and further information will be available soon.

November Memorial Dead List 2026 - 2027

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 Mons M.

The **report of Bishop Marcus Stock** on the proposed unification of the dioceses of Leeds, Middlesbrough and Hallam, which was sent to our Holy Father, Pope Leo XVI, at the end of August, has been published for the benefit of all the faithful, and can be read at:

www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/publication-of-the-bishops-consultation-report-to-the-holy-father/

A thank you for your prayers from Pope Leo XVI

I would like to thank all those who have prayed for me in recent days. I have truly sensed your support. Thank you!

I wish to express my particular gratitude to the doctors, nurses and all the staff of the Gemelli Hospital.

This experience has made me feel particularly close to all those who are living with illness or infirmity.

Now that I have overcome this delicate phase, as you know, I will gradually resume my activities, always with God’s help and your prayers.

Thank you once again. Thank you all!

“By its nature the recitation of the Rosary calls for a quiet rhythm and a lingering pace, helping the individual to meditate on the mysteries of the Lord’s life as seen through the eyes of her who was closest to the Lord. In this way the unfathomable riches of these mysteries are unfolded.”

Pope St Paul VI

THE SACRED LITURGY	
Sunday 25 October <i>Thirtieth Sunday</i> <i>in Ordinary Time</i>	8.45am Roy Dyson 10.00am For the people
Monday 26 October <i>Ordinary Time feria</i>	9.00am Intentions of Liam Jenkinson
Tuesday 27 October <i>Ordinary Time feria</i>	<u>9.00am</u> Jeremy Healey
Wednesday 28 October <i>Ss Simon & Jude</i>	November Memorial Dead List
Thursday 29 October <i>Ordinary Time feria</i>	9.00am Intentions of Catherine Hanley
Friday 30 October <i>Ordinary Time feria</i>	<u>2.00pm</u> Requiem Ray Bows <i>RIP</i>
Saturday 31 October <i>Ordinary Time feria</i> <i>Vigil Mass of Sunday</i>	4.00 – 4.30pm Confessions 5.00pm Cath Millward
Sunday 1 November <i>The Solemnity of</i> <i>All Saints</i>	8.45am Benny Redmond 10.00am For the people

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

Last week's collection was £756.12 (£378.00 in offertory envelopes and £378.12 in loose). Thank you.

The **CTS Sunday Missal 2027**, £9.95 is now available from the Piety Stall.

Last weekend's retiring collection in aid of **World Mission Sunday** raised £404.10. Thank you for your support.

The Piety Stall has Christmas cards and other festive items for sale. It is usually open before and after Mass on Saturdays and after the Sunday 8.45am Mass until the 10.00am Mass.