



St. Vincent's Parish

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PARISH PRIEST: REV. FR. PADDY WALSH

"He has sent me to bring good news to the poor." Lk 4:18

SUNDAY, 26th NOVEMBER 2023

THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY, 26 NOVEMBER

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King

9:30am (Mass): Confirmation Candidates

6:00pm (Mass): People of the Parish

Monday, 27 NOVEMBER

Feria

No Mass at St. Vincent's

Tuesday, 28 NOVEMBER

Feria

6:30pm: Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

7:00pm (Mass): Patricia Jennings

(Anniversary)

Wednesday, 29 NOVEMBER

Feria

9:00am: Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

9:30am (Mass): Jackie Ferriter (Thanks

giving)

Thursday, 30 NOVEMBER

Feast of St. Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland

9:00am: Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

9:30am (Mass): Elizabeth Loftus (Recently

Deceased)

Friday, 1 DECEMBER

Feria

9:00am: Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

9:30am (Mass): Abbeys Dad

Saturday, 2 DECEMBER

Feria

Confessions 10:00 – 10:45am

Mass at St. Vincent's Mission Hub (Check their website for Mass times)

SUNDAY, 3 DECEMBER

The First Sunday of Advent

9:30am (Mass): People of the Parish

6:00pm (Mass): Jenny Beach (Recently

Deceased)

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Week 2 of the Psalter

Catholic Chaplain urgent call: NGH: 2434343. Hallamshire Hospital: 2711900. Ask for the Catholic Priest Chaplain on duty (day or night).

S.V.P: If anyone in the parish would like assistance with anything please ring, 07904664898.

Live Simply Pledge: Buying CAFOD World Gifts could be a welcome change for those who have everything.

Live Simply Pledge for November: I will ask for a donation to a charity instead of a birthday present & Christmas presents.

Interested in Catholicism: 28th November – 7:45pm

Of your charity please pray for the anniversaries:

Yvonne Reaney (26/11/17), Frances Ellen Mulcrone (26/11/84), Sheilagh Turner (26/11/18), John Shelton (26/11/91), Christine Mary Kay (27/11/70), Terance Fannon (27/11/76), Kathleen Murphy (27/11/91), Hugh McGovern (27/11/94), William O'Shea (28/11/70), George Michael Behan (28/11/56), Bridget Genevieve Rodgers (28/11/89), Annabella(Nan) O'Doherty (28/11/91), Cecelia Mottram (29/11/99), Walter Makin (29/11/15), Frank Quinn (30/11/17), Fr Hubert McNamara (30/11/09), Charles O'Doherty (30/11/94), Samuel Poole (1/12/88), Rosemary Hinchcliffe (2/12/17), Edith Wiseman (2/12/48), Susan Patterson (2/12/22), Joseph Michael Fagan (2/12/85), Adeleine Benbow (2/12/91)

and all other anniversaries that occur at this time.

Lately Dead: Tina Leadley

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

The collection for last Sunday, 19th November was £376.60 plus standing orders. The electronic giving device has been installed in the Narthex. **Thank you for your continued generosity.**

Standing Orders: Should you want to set up a standing order, there is a form to fill in either on the website or it can be collected from the parish office. The bank details of the parish are: HSBC UK, 49-63 Fargate, Sheffield. South Yorkshire. S1 2HD. Name of Account: Diocese of Hallam St Vincent of Paul Sort code: 40-41-07 Account Number: 81095099

News Extra

Please pray for the sick: Elizabeth Dodson, Melony Oldfield, Mick McKenna, Oona Kirkland, Alison, Veronica Sowerby, Debbie, Felix, Lee Reilly, David Baker, Maura O'Hara, Terry Finn, Johnathan Elbel, Valerie Ashforth, Pat Lintott (O'Connor), Hugh Lafferty, Anne Bright, Goretti Bradshaw, Marie Vintin, Fr Jim Shryane, Fr Michael O'Connor, Minnie Sandiford, Anna Lanera, Paddy and Tom McGrath, Andrew Booth, Rebecca Smith, Michael, Eva Rajesh, Matilda & Family, Bridget Maughan, Theresa Maughan, Jack Hague, Tony, John Jackson.
Grant them, O Lord, your healing and peace.

St. Vincent's Parish Live Simply Prayer:

Father, source of light and goodness help us to tread lightly on your world, and to share with each other the fruits of your creation.
Acting justly, loving tenderly and living simply.
Showing humility and gratitude for all that you give. Lord of heaven and earth.

Parish Film Night - Save the date! **Friday 15th December** - Showing of 'The Letter' at **7 pm**. A story of Pope Francis' invitation to an African refugee, a young Indian student, a community leader from the Amazon and a Hawaiian scientist couple - to share their experience of our changing climate. Glorious and moving scenes of our common home. Bring some Christmas treats to eat - there will be hot and cold drinks, and mulled wine provided.

The Union of Catholic Mothers, will be doing the cake stall at the Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 2nd December if anyone would like to donate a cake or help to run the stall please contact Marie Vintin on 07990991118.

Additionally, the UCM will be selling raffle tickets for the Christmas Bazaar raffle and hamper on the next 2 Sundays at both the morning and evening masses.

November Dead List: If you would like a Mass / Masses said for your loved ones throughout the year, you can pick up an envelope and information slip in the Narthex. Please return it in the sacristy or to the parish office. Last date for return will be this Sunday 26th of November.

Parish Bazaar Saturday 2nd December: Thank you to all the parishioners who have offered to help at the bazaar. Stalls can be set up any time on Friday, 1st December, after morning mass until early evening. Tables will be clearly labelled.
Donations of cakes/ mince pies can be left in the kitchen on Friday or Saturday morning. International food can be brought on Saturday.
Any queries please contact Helen 07828752806 or Kathryn 079014700.

Parish Bazaar Saturday 2nd December 11-1:30pm
All Parishioners and friends are invited to come along and enjoy refreshments and a variety of stalls. For our younger parishioners there will be a special visitor joining us at 12 O'clock. All monies raised will go to charity. For any further information please contact Helen 07828752806 or Kathryn 07879014700. Many thanks

CAFOD Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal

Donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at cafod.org.uk/ipc or call 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers. A second collection for this appeal will be held next week.

Living Simply:

Our parish is aiming to do enough to earn a CAFOD Live Simply Award. The Pope, in his letters *Laudate Si'*, *Laudate Deum* and many speeches, has called on us all to live more simply and to make changes which will help rescue our beautiful world. Each month the Parish Live Simply Group asks you to make a pledge: this month it is to ask for a donation to a charity rather than a birthday or Christmas present for yourself. To show that you support the parish effort, please tick the Living Simply Pledge sheet in the narthex. And then, do something very practical: bring your old pens, felt tips and biro's and put them in the box near the pledge sheet; they can be recycled into garden furniture. Look out for the Living Simply notice in the bulletin each week and read about the Award on the parish website <https://www.stvincentschurch.com/live-simply.html>

Did someone say Christmas? : Although the supermarkets may think were nearly there, they're only right about one thing – we do need to prepare! This year the Parish will be having a Midnight Mass in addition to a 5pm Vigil Mass, and the usual 9:30am Christmas Day Mass. We are forming a small choir to lead in the Midnight Mass as we will be singing the Latin Proper's (Kyrie, Gloria, Credo Sanctus, Agnus Dei etc.). If interested please see either Fr. Walsh in the sacristy after Mass, Josh after the Sunday evening Mass, or send an email into the Parish.

Practices will take place on Fridays – 6pm till 7:30pm

Advent Talks: This year the parish will be having a series of Advent talks on Mondays from the 27th of November at 7pm. Information can be found on posters in the narthex. Snacks and drinks (both alcoholic and non-alcoholic) will be provided. So if you're sat at home wondering what to do on these cold and dark evenings, please do come and join us!

No one alone this Christmas! : This year Josh and Fr. Paddy will be hosting and cooking Christmas dinner at St. Vincent's (arrive at 2pm for 3pm Christmas Dinner) for anyone who would be alone on Christmas day. This is completely free of charge; please just let us know if you would like to come as we will need to know how many to cook for.

Parish Christmas Card Competition: This year we will be launching a Christmas Card competition for the children in the parish. Children have up until the second Sunday of Advent (**10th December**) to submit their design either by email: crookes@idnet.com or in the sacristy after Mass. Entries should be made on A4 white paper with your name written on the back. The winners design will be printed as our parishes Christmas card and Prizes are up for grabs!

Parish Panto: It's Panto time!! This year the Pantomime is 'Dick Whittington and the Yellow Brick Road'

The commitment is as follows: Thursday 14th Dec at 7.30 pm for castings.

Rehearsals will be on Thursday 4th, Fridays 12th, 19th and 26th January. Dress rehearsal is on Thursday 1st February (all in the hall from 7.30pm) Performances will take place Friday 2nd February at 7.30 pm and Saturday 3rd February at 2pm and 7.30pm

Sign-up sheet for Panto now at the back of Church. Please sign up if you want a part or can help in any way.

St. Justin's Society: St. Justin's will be having a clothes stall at the Christmas fayre on 2nd Dec. We need donations of good quality gently worn or new clothes. All ages and sizes. You can place clothes in the labelled box in the narthex or you can bring on Friday 1st Dec or on the 2nd. Please keep donations to a maximum of 3 items. You can collect anything that doesn't sell at the end of the fayre or they will be recycled to charity. If you need any clothes collected please ring Steve Foley on 07711326212

Plants Wanted: If anyone has any spare plants they do not want, please could you leave them at the back of church in the Narthex as I am doing a stall at the bazaar in aid of the children's charity, Centrepont. Many Thanks from Tina Dempsey.

Day by Day booklets: Day by Day booklets for Advent are now available in the narthex, along with infant and junior editions.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Re-commissioning for extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion will take place during both Sunday masses next week, 3 December (First Sunday of Advent).

This week's top tip for getting the most out of Holy Mass:

If you are afraid to go deeper at Mass, ask why. Often sins in our lives are at the root of our fear to be intimate with God. If we sincerely ask to be allowed to see and confront the weaknesses that hold us back, we can recognize them and bring them to confession. At the beginning of the Mass, the liturgy first begins with the penitential rite which highlights the importance of needing to acknowledge our failures before partaking in the Holy Sacrifice. Our sins weigh us down like a balloon rising up to the sky, in order for the 'lifting up of our hearts' to God, we need to cut away from the things we know hold us back. At every confession, the loving mercy of Our Lord is available, unreserved, and in unlimited fashion. Let us not be held back by our sins but instead be ready to experience the graces of Holy Communion more readily and in a much greater depth.

This Sunday's Response to the Psalm:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Parish Key Contacts:

Parish Pastoral Council:

The Parish Council has a key role in working with the parish priest to serve the people of the parish. The members of the Council aim to represent different aspects of the parish community and they meet about once a month. It should be possible to catch one of them after Mass on Sunday. Posters detailing the members can be found in the narthex and in the hall. Please don't hesitate to introduce yourself if you are new to the parish, have something to raise, or have a question to ask.

Contact: Russell Brynes (Chair) T: 07775 573443 E: russellbrynes@gmail.com

Maria Mawson (Secretary) T: 07584 040199

Parish WhatsApp Group:

There is a parish WhatsApp group, which any member of the parish can join. Regular items are uploaded to it, such as the weekly bulletin and Fr. Walsh's homily, as well as ad hoc items of interest. If you would like to be added please contact one of the group administrator(s) via Fr. Walsh.

Around the Diocese:

You are chosen as the beloved of God: A Retreat for women:

Journey with us over a series of 4 retreats as we live the "Life of the Beloved", dwell in God's love, experience healing and go forth to give life to others.

The first retreat day will be on the 2nd December 9am-5pm at St Joseph's Convent Chesterfield.

For more information please contact maryjohnfdc@gmail.com

Carmel Care needs Volunteers:

Do you have a couple of hours to spare each week? Would you like to join our welcoming friendly team at Carmel Care?

We are looking for volunteers who can help us serve lunch and chat to our guests.

For more information please contact Janet Kent 07927657462 jkent@hallam-diocese.com

Vacancies in the Hallam Diocese: Any vacancies for jobs around the diocese in Schools or Parishes can be found at: <https://hallam-diocese.com/about-doh/vacancies/>

Hallam Diocese Lourdes Pilgrimage: The next Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 28 June- 4 July 2024. Booking Forms can be downloaded from the pilgrimage website www.hallam-lourdes.com or be picked up at the back of church.

Saint of the Week: St. Andrew (30th November)

He was born in Bethsaida, in Galilee, and worked as a fisherman. He may have been a disciple of St John the Baptist. He became one of the first to follow Jesus and introduced his brother, Simon Peter, to him. As one of the twelve Apostles he was widely venerated in ancient times, and became patron saint of Scotland because according to legend some of his bones were brought there and buried at the place where the town of St Andrew's now stands.

He witnessed first-hand, the ministry of Jesus. He preached in Greece, and along the Black Sea. He was martyred in Greece, on a cross shaped in the form of an X. He deemed himself unworthy to be crucified in the same manner as our Lord. There are many writings about St. Andrew from the second century, which confirms his life and works. Without the great work and lives of the Disciples, the faith would not be around for us today. We would do well in passing the Gospels of Christ on to those around us, in both words and actions.



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