

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.  
10:34a,37-43**

In those days: Peter opened his mouth and said: 'You yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and caused him to appear, not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

**The word of the Lord.**

**Responsorial Psalm  
17.22-23.24**

**Psalm 118(117):1-2.16-**

**This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice in it and be glad.**

Give praise to the Lord, for he is good;  
his mercy endures for ever.  
Let the house of Israel say,  
'His mercy endures for ever.'

The Lord's right hand is exalted.  
The Lord's right hand has done mighty deeds.  
I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount the deeds of the Lord.

The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.  
By the Lord has this been done,  
a marvel in our eyes.

**A Reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Colossians.  
3:1-4**

Brothers and sisters: If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you will also appear with him in glory.

The Word of the Lord.

**SEQUENCE**

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.  
The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;  
And Christ, the undefiled, hath sinners to the Father reconciled.

Death with life contended: combat strangely ended!  
Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.

Tell us Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way.  
The tomb the living did enclose; I saw Christ's glory has he rose!

The angel there attesting; shroud with grave-clothes resting.  
Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee.

That Christ is truly risen, from the dead we know.  
Victorious king, thy mercy show!

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.  
20:1-19**

On the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one who Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going towards the tomb. Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, and the face cloth, which had been on the head of Jesus, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HALLAM LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2026** will take place 26<sup>th</sup> June – 2<sup>nd</sup> July. The cost is £1010 flying from Leeds Bradford Airport. This includes flights, all meals and insurance. If you are interested, please call 01302 247 910 or 07724 650066 or please pre-register your interest at [www.tangey-tours.com/hallam](http://www.tangey-tours.com/hallam)

**ADVANCED NOTICE – BARNSLEY ILESHA LADIES CHOIR** will hold a Fundraising Concert at Blessed Sacrament Parish October 16<sup>th</sup> for the Sick & Retired Clergy

**Sent to share the faith – On April 17<sup>th</sup> 2026, three Franciscan Friars, Frs. Casey Cole, Tito Serrano and Jason Damon** from Charlotte in the USA will be visiting the Diocese to help us to think about how we can spread the Gospel today. They have recently started a mission to reach young adults, spiritual seekers, and those disconnected from the Church through authentic presence, conversation, and compassion. Rooted in the spirit of St Francis, SEARCH is about walking with others, sharing Christ's love, and inviting hearts to renewal and healing. They are hosting 2 events. The 1<sup>st</sup> at the Cathedral specifically aimed at young people and young adults at 1.15 following midday Mass and the second aimed at a wider audience at St Francis of Assisi, Sandygate, Sheffield beginning with Mass at 6.00 pm. Booking necessary using the Formation and Mission Eventbrite Page on <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/hallam-formation-and-mission-46212155433> further details 0114 256 6410

Easter Sunday A 26		
<u>Saturday</u>	7.30 pm	Steve Clay BI Sac
<u>Sunday</u>	9.00 am	People of the Parishes St Ter
<u>Sunday</u>	10.30 am	Michael Stacey & Edward O'Shea St MM
<u>Saturday</u>	Reader	Ann H BI Sac
<u>Sunday</u>	Reader	Chris Deighton & Chris Horbury St Ter
<u>Sunday</u>	Reader	Margaret Horbury St MM
<u>Tuesday</u>	NO MASS	St Ter
<u>Wednesday</u>	NO MASS	St MM
<u>Friday</u>	9.30 am	Special Intention BI Sac

**Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday A 26**

SATURDAY	6.00 PM	DIVINE MERCY GROUP (LIVING & DECEASED)	ST MM
SUNDAY	9.30 AM		ST TER
SUNDAY	11.30 AM	MASDEN FAMILY	BL SAC
SATURDAY	READER	CHRIS ARCHER	ST MM
SUNDAY	READER	LUCY GABRIELLE & CHRIS KELLY	ST TER
SUNDAY	READER	MAX	BL SAC

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**OFFERTORY DONATIONS**

Thank you to all our parishioners for your generous Offertory Donations

St Ter Env £194.00 Loose Money £2.50

St MM Env £150.00 Loose Money £96.13 Raffle £42.00

Bl Sac Env £231.00 Loose Money £83.40 Raffle £36.00 Candles £65.00

**CONFIRMATIONS 2026 Please note the NEW START DATE WILL BE THE 14<sup>TH</sup> April and not the 15<sup>th</sup> as originally stated. From 5.45 – 7.00 pm Holy Rood Church Hall**

**DEAR PARISHIONERS**

**We welcome into our parishes Fr. Dominic Jenkinson  
who will be Assistant Priest to Fr Stephen  
and the Parishes of St. Teresa's, Blessed Sacrament and St Mary  
Magdalene's.**

**The appointment will commence on the Second Sunday of Eastertide.**

Welcome to the parishes of

**St Teresa's**

**Blessed Sacrament**

**St Mary Magdalene's**

**Priest: Fr. Stephen Ssekiwunga**

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EASTER SUNDAY

I wish all parishioners a happy, holy  
and grace filled Eastertide.

I thank Fr Andrew Browne,  
and all parishioners involved with liturgies,  
music, and preparation of the Churches.

I thank all who have helped in any way  
to make the Easter celebration  
such a special joy filled time.

Happy Easter !

Fr Stephen











