A Reading from the Prophet Ezekiel
17:22-24

Thus says the Lord God:
'I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm **Ps. 92(91):2-3,13-14.15-16**

It is good to give thanks to you, O Lord.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to make music to your name, O Most High,
to proclaim your loving mercy in the morning,
and your truth in the watches of the night.

The just one will flourish like the palm tree,,
and grow like a Lebanon cedar.
Planted in the house of the Lord,
they will flourish in the courts of our God.

Still bearing fruit when they are old,
still full of sap, still green,
to proclaim that the Lord is upright.
In him, my rock, there is no wrong.

A Reading from the Second Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.
5:6-10

Brothers and sisters: We are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For we must all appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

The word of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia.
The seed is the word of God, Christ the sower; all who find him will live forever.
Alleluia.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.
4:26-34

At that time: Jesus said to the crowd:
'The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seeds sprouts and grows; he knows not how. The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come.'
And he said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth, yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'
With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

The Gospel of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Emeritus Bishop Ralph will be celebrating his Golden Jubilee of Ordination at St Marie's Cathedral on 10th July. If parishioners would like to make a gift to Bishop Ralph for his Jubilee and to thank him for his ministry as Bishop as he leaves us, please put your donation in an envelope marked "Bishop Ralph" and give it to Fr Stephen or Fr Dominic. Alternatively, you can donate directly to the account: HSBC, Diocese of Hallam, 40-41-07, 61093908 with the narrative "Bishop Ralph"

Diocesan Consultation

The period for individual and parish groups to contribute has been extended. Responses should now be submitted no later than Friday 19th June 2026. For more information to complete the questionnaire, please visit :
https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/leeds-middlesbrough-consultation-2026/

		11th Sunday in Ordinary Time A 26	
Saturday	6.00 pm	Chris & Alan Archer 50th Wedding Anniversary	St MM
Sunday	9.30 am	Pat Horbury 2nd Anniversary	St Ter
Sunday	11.30 am	Tom Turner RIP	Bl Sac
Saturday	Reader	Carole McNicholas	St MM
Sunday	Reader	Kathy Fretwell & Christy Wang	St Ter
Sunday	Reader	Andrew	Bl Sac
Tuesday	9.30 am	People of the Parish	St Ter
Wednesday	9.30 am	Ron Bradbury (NM) Died Easter Sunday	St MM
Friday	9.30 am	Theresa Graham	Bl Sac

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time A 26 A 26

Saturday	6.00 pm	Thomas Patrick Power	St. MM
Sunday	9.30 am	Woodhead Family	St Ter
Sunday	11.30 am	Jozef Lozinski & Twins Olivia & Sophia Brittain RIP	Bl Sac
Saturday	Reader	Margaret Horbury	St MM
Sunday	Reader	Jason Wang & Ann Worth	St Ter
Sunday	Reader	Marie	Bl Sac

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OFFERTORY DONATIONS

Thank you to all our parishioners for your generous Offertory Donations

St Ter Env £159.00 LM £34.00 Standing Orders April £ 239.00
St MM Env £105.00 LM £100.92 Raffle £39.10 30.5.26
Env £85.00 LM £100.47 Raffle 42.00 6.6.26
Bl Sac Env £184.00 LM £70.96 Raffle £26.00

Safeguarding Training for Parish Volunteers

Level 1 Beginners, Level 2 Intermediate, and Level 3 Advanced Certificates. Please see Parish Safeguarding Representatives for more information.
Each Parish has a Poster with further information.

St Teresa's Darton - thank you to all parishioners who donated to the Red Box Appeal and raised £435.00
St Mary Magdalene's Cudworth – thank you to all parishioners who donated to the Red Box Appeal and raised £353.30

SUMMER GARDEN PARTY – with an official welcome to the Parish of Fr Dominic Jenkinson. Sunday 5th July 2026 at 2.00pm at St Mary Magdalene's
BBQ – Refreshments – Raffle – Tombola – Quiz – and fun for all the family

Holy Rood Parish will be hosting the relics of St Gerard Majella, (Patron Saint of mothers, couples trying to conceive, for those looking for work, and for making a good confession) Monday 6th July – veneration & confessions from 6pm. Mass at 7pm followed by blessings with relics. All welcome to attend.

Second Collection next week "Day for Life" and "Peters Pence" on the 27th/28th June

Welcome to the parishes of

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Blessed Sacrament

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