

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

55:6-9

Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts; neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

145(144):2-3.8-9.17-18

R. The Lord is close to all who call him.

I will bless you day after day,
and praise your name for ever and ever.
The Lord is great and highly to be praised;
his greatness cannot be measured. **R.**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in mercy.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**

The Lord is just in all his ways,
and holy in all his deeds.
The Lord is close to all who call him,
who call on him in truth. **R.**

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians.

1:20c-24,27a

Brothers and sisters: Christ will be honoured in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. Let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Open our hearts, O Lord, that we may pay attention to the words of your Son.

Alleluia.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

20:1-16

At that time: Jesus told his disciples this parable, 'The kingdom of heaven is like a master of the house who went early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyards. After agreeing with the labourers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market-place, and to them he said, "You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give to you." So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, "Why do you stand here idle all day?" They said to him "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You go into the vineyard too." And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, "Call the labourers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first." And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each received a denarius. Now those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to the last worker as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

SHRINE OF OUR DAY OF DONCASTER – DAY OF PRAYER 24TH OCTOBER 2026

St Peter in Chains -10.00 am Adoration & Benediction followed by Holy Mass, with Reflections during the afternoon. Rosary by Irish singer Dana. Departure 3.00pm

A nine week Novena in preparation for this day begins 22nd August at Our Lady of Doncaster & the four beatified martyrs of the Diocese of Hallam – (Blesseds Nicholas Garlick, Robert Ludlam, John Anne & William Richardson) we pray to intercede for us. Booking and further information:

Copies of week five of the Novena at the back of Church

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WOMEN TOGETHER IN HALLAM (Women's Ministry in Hallam)

Saturday 10th October – Hallam Pastoral Centre

Guests Speakers and Lunch provided

<https://forms.gle/97RnNZMgtEW2B5aX9> for further information or see the poster.

		25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time A 26	
<u>Saturday</u>	6.00 pm	Michael Pennington (Bdy)	St MM
<u>Sunday</u>	9.30 am	Tony & Chris Deighton Diamond Wedding Anniversary	St Ter
<u>Sunday</u>	11.30 am	Bob Clarke RIP	Bl Sac
<u>Saturday</u>	Reader	Paul Gorman	St MM
<u>Sunday</u>	Reader	Chris Deighton & Jason Wang	St Ter
<u>Sunday</u>	Reader	Andrew	Bl Sac
<u>Tuesday</u>	9.30 am	Private Intention	St Ter
<u>Wednesday</u>	9.30 am	Sick of the Parishes	St MM
<u>Friday</u>	9.30 am	David Ashworth (Repose of his soul)	Bl Sac

26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time A 26			
SATURDAY	6.00 PM	KERSHAW FAMILY RIP	ST.MM
SUNDAY	9.30 AM	JOSEPH BAGAS RIP	ST TER
SUNDAY	11.30 AM	TOM McNICHOLAS BDY ANNIVERSARY	BL SAC
SATURDAY	READER	THERESA SMITH	ST MM
SUNDAY	READER	CHRISTY WANG & ANN WORTH	ST TER
SUNDAY	READER	TERESA	BL SAC

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OFFERTORY DONATIONS
 Thank you to all our parishioners for your generous Offertory Donations
 St Ter Env £191.00 LM £20.00
 St MM Env £ LM £ Raffle £ TBA
 Bl Sac Env £132.00 LM £94.02 Raffle £29.00

RED BOXES – If you have a Red Box, please bring to church for counting. Many thanks

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING – ON BEHALF OF OUR PARISHES,
 BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH WILL HOST THE ANNUAL COFFEE MORNING
 SUPPORTING THE MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT CHARITY - FRIDAY 25TH
 SEPTEMBER AFTER 9.30 AM MASS. REFRESHMENTS, BINGO AND RAFFLE

ILESHA LADIES CHOIR – Concert Fundraiser for Sick & Retired Clergy
 Friday October 16th to be held at **Blessed Sacrament**
 TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE £8.00 INCLUDING REFRESHMENTS

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY Friday October 3rd 2026

Second Collection – Home Mission Sunday – the day in the churches
 calendar when we pray for and support the vital work of evangelisation
 throughout England and Wales that takes place in each parish and
 diocese.

Welcome to the parishes of

St Teresa’s

Blessed Sacrament

St Mary Magdalene’s

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