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- 26 July** Hallam Walsingham Pilgrimage  
**21 August** Our Lady of Knock Celebration, Herringthorpe  
**10 September** Service for Survivors of Abuse  
**20 September** Missio Mass St Joseph's, Wath upon Dearne  
**27 September, 4 & 18 October** CCRS Pastoral Centre  
**11 October** Celebration for Married Couples, St Peter's, Doncaster  
**11 October** Introduction to Accompaniment, Pastoral Centre



## Jubilee Events in the Diocese

- 20 July** Annual Hallam African Community Mass TBC  
**20 September** Jubilee of Altar Servers Holy Rood Barnsley  
**15 November** Jubilee of Volunteers Immaculate Conception, Rotherham

## Welcome to the Summer - July August edition of Hallam Bridge

Welcome to Summer!

A time to rest and recuperate, to mull things over and wonder what the Holy Spirit might be suggesting you consider for the year ahead, and apparently also a time for walking and pilgrimaging. Check out the pilgrimage opportunities, to Walsingham, to Padley, to the beautiful Pugin-designed Cathedral of St Barnabas in Nottingham following the National Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope, to St Mary's Church Herringthorpe to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Knock.

For a more relaxed summer, you might consider the Summer Reading Group, an opportunity to reflect with others using the inspirational words from Cardinal Timothy Radcliffe's meditations, 'Surprised by Hope', which were used at the Synod gathering in Rome in October 2024. We have entered into a phase of implementation of the Synod, and any thoughts or ideas about how this might be furthered in the Hallam Diocese are most welcome. More information is on the Hallam website or the Synod Vatican website. Come along to the Summer Reading Group (Page 9) to read and reflect and be inspired. Consider the Synodal method for any meeting you are involved in in your parish. Resources to help you are on the website. Ask the Formation and Mission Team if you want help. Talk to your

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Parish Priest, to other parishioners.

For your own Formation, consider joining the courses available on Pastoral Leadership (Page 9); Catholic teaching (CCRS) (Page 11); Spiritual Conversation; Introduction to Accompaniment (Page 10), the third stage in building up your capacity and inclination to have the spiritual conversations to enable you to look ahead and contribute to a synodal church and perhaps also eventually train to help other people with their spiritual journey. There are themed talks and courses at St Bede's Pastoral Centre, York (page 11). There are other events for your September diary also. You are invited to show solidarity and support by attending the Service of Love and Prayers for Survivors of Abuse (Page 12). Celebrate your wedding anniversary with Bishop Ralph at a Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Marriage (Page 10). Join the supporters of the Missions at the Mission Mass, St Joseph's Church, Wath-on-Deane (Page 9), where they are saving you a seat. Other celebrations around the diocese include the renewal of the Covenant with the Poor at St Joseph's, Dinnington (Page 7), the knitting-and-cycling frenzy at St Wilfrid's (pages 4 & 7), and Caritas Counselling Service award for their commitment to Social Justice. Keep all these in your prayers.

Hallam Bridge is taking a break in the summer, items for the September edition are welcome before 10 September. Together let us pray for Grace and Peace through this summer time.  
 Editor



Cardinal Nichols expresses prayer and sorrow after 'appalling strike' on Gaza's Holy Family Church

Following the shelling by an Israeli tank of the Church of the Holy Family in Gaza with reports of two deaths, serious injuries, and extensive damage to church buildings, Cardinal Vincent Nichols said: "I condemn this appalling strike on the Holy Family Church in Gaza, pray for the dead and injured, and stand in solidarity with Fr Gabriel Romanelli and the people sheltering in the compound – Christians and Muslims alike.

"For twenty months, the Church of the Holy Family has managed to be a place of sanctuary and spiritual support amidst the horrors of war, feeding and protecting hundreds of people. "I add my voice to Pope Leo's call for a return of hostages, and an immediate ceasefire to end the suffering in Gaza and bring peace to the region. I encourage you, in your homes and parishes, to pray for peace and an end to this war."

Cardinal Vincent Nichols is President of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales and Archbishop of Westminster.

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## Around the Diocese

### St Wilfrid's Centre's Tour De Hallam 2025



June 2nd will most certainly be remembered (at least by everyone at St Wilfrid's Centre and the three people who had to dress as Bumble Bees in public) as the start of St Wilfrid's Centre Tour de Hallam. Students from All Saints waved us off and clients, staff and volunteers started their challenge to achieve the same miles on the exercise bikes in the Centre.

On Day one, we had some amazing welcomes at all the churches in Sheffield, Bamford, Hathersage and later by a stranger in Chesterfield, including tea and lemon drizzle cake at one, which we should have declined given the schedule but it would have been so rude to do so!

"Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance, you must keep moving." Albert Einstein. So - moving we were and are going to do. The Centre has evolved and changed over the past 34 years in order to respond to need. We also have to respond to challenging times and increasing costs which is why we are so very grateful for the amazing support and generous donations in response to our Tour de Hallam.

June 3rd 2025 on Day 2 of the Tour de Hallam meant we were cycling through Rotherham, Doncaster, Stainforth and Moorends, with lots of lovely places on the way. Every welcome we received, however, and the generosity of everyone we met, made every single mile (and pothole) of the journey worthwhile. These days it is fashionable to talk about the poor. Unfortunately, it is not fashionable to talk to

them. Mother Teresa

My Dad was an Anglican priest, mainly in Sheffield, for all of his adult life and both him and my Mum believed that practical Christianity, social justice and pastoral care should be at the heart of parish life. Father Kilgannon demonstrated this when he had the vision for the Centre and the determination to make it a reality 34 years ago. What we all have to ask is; would the same be possible today? Talking to people at each church, some of the things said that really resonated with me were in relation to the place that pastoral care now has or doesn't have in the life of priests and parishes. I think Jesus would have cycled miles if it meant those most in need were helped and those without a voice were heard.

Indifference towards those in need is not acceptable for a Christian. Pope Francis

Cycling 220 miles is nothing compared to the time and commitment people give to helping others. Seeing individuals providing welcome and support, children wishing us well (and even showing the dance they had created specially), cups of tea, kind words and chocolate cake freely given were the best reminders anyone could have of the values that matter. If the week's challenge helped raise much needed money for the Centre, that is fantastic (and a huge relief given the financial problems that we and all charities face) but if it also reminds everyone of the very people we all need to be supporting, then every ache and pain will fade into insignificance.

Day 3 of the Tour de Hallam, journeyed across Sheffield, Barnsley, Penistone and Stocksbridge, calling in at all the churches on the way. Again, the welcomes we received (and as you can see from the pictures - the cups of tea) were very much appreciated and really helped with the pedalling. Two minutes after I left the Centre, a police van drove alongside me at the traffic lights. Leaning out of the window, the officer said, "Is this a sting operation?" I laughed and groaned with equal measure so when I ended up alongside them at the next set of lights, I said



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that a joke like that at least meant a donation to St Wilfrid's Centre was required. Being ever-hopeful, at the next set of lights I did manage to get alongside and to my surprise, he jumped out of the van and placed a pocketful of coins in my bucket on the back of the bike. What a great start to the day.

Back at the Centre, clients, staff and volunteers continued to complete the miles well before I did. We managed to make contact with video calls each day and it was great to hear the progress they had all made on the bikes and listen to their cheers and support. What clients didn't have to encounter though were the hills! If anybody has ever visited the church at Stocksbridge (the end of the route on Day 2) you will know that when I turned off the main road to go up Nanny Hill and I saw how steep the hill was, a few choice words came into my head. the full article is available on our website

## 'The Padley Blessed and Fitzherbert's Way' 23-24 July 2025



Hallam Diocesan Primary school students on Pilgrimage to Padley Chapel in July.

'A pilgrim's guide to Padley' by Fr Garrett Sweeney 1978, is a 'must read' booklet for anyone interested in the history of the preservation of the Catholic faith in England during penal times. It provides details about many individuals supporting missionary priests in the High Peak of Derbyshire. The 'Padley Martyrs' are Blessed Garlic and Ludlam. Arrested with them on July 12th 1588, was John Fitzherbert, his children Matilda, Anthony, Jane

and Mary and likely ten members of the Fitzherbert household. They were all herded along the River Derwent to Derby County gaol. This route will be walked in Pilgrimage, 23-24 July 2025 as the 'The Padley Blessed and Fitzherberts Way'.

Services will be held at either end of this Pilgrimage route on the evening of July 24th. Mass in Padley Chapel at 7.30 pm and an ecumenical service in the Martyr's Chapel and on the Bridge at 7.00 pm. Fr Sweeney's booklet provides details we may not be familiar with. Blessed Simpson was martyred in Derby on July 24th 1588. Fr Sweeney suggests that he was based at Wheston Hall and we know that Nicholas Garlic was the teacher in nearby Tideswell. They may have walked across the hills together, for Fr Simpson to celebrate Mass in Padley Manor's Chapel. Fr John Clayton risked and lost his life, covertly bringing mass to the Fitzherberts in Derby Gaol. Eventually betrayed, he was sentenced to death, but died of Gaol fever on July 22nd 1588. We pray for the priests and local people of the High Peak and Hope Valley, who sacrificed so much to preserve the celebration of Mass in England.

The Padley booklet is on sale at Padley Chapel or contact [friendsofPadley@hallam-diocese.com](mailto:friendsofPadley@hallam-diocese.com) Friends of Padley Chapel Gerard Bonner

## The Pilgrims of Hope- Walsingham



The Hallam Diocesan Walsingham Pilgrimage on Saturday 26th July, this jubilee year, coincides with the cycle of Pilgrimage from Doncaster to the National Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham. Embracing Pope Francis' call for the Jubilee Year 2025, we are Pilgrims of Hope "with Mary, model of Hope". Journeying with Mary to Walsingham we place our hope in Him who loved us to the

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end. Embodying Walsingham's essence as a beacon of peace, hope and renewal. This resonates deeply and invites us to renew faith, inspire love and offer hope.

We are pilgrims in hope and pilgrims into hope and pilgrims of hope on this Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Walsingham. In the Jubilee Year, Walsingham holds a special place in our country, to rediscover Joy, Peace and Hope, that the national shrine has offered pilgrims down the ages, the assurance of Mary's dowry.

Our Martyrs will accompany us. Joseph Durham

## Register for the National Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope (September 2025)



Thus says the Lord: Stand at the crossroads, and look, and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way lies: and walk in it, and find rest for your souls. Jeremiah 6:16

**St Mark's Way (North), is now open for 'Day Pilgrim' registration.**

**See details of 'day stages' at**

<https://www.pilgrimways.org.uk/become-a-pilgrim-for-a-day>

The National Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope, is a national walking pilgrimage: an initiative of the 'Hearts in Search of God' project. There are four main Evangelist entitled Ways, each starting at the Catholic cathedrals in Cardiff (St Matthew) Leeds (St Mark), Norwich (St Luke) and London (St John), blessing our nations with the Sign of the Cross. Those walking the Ways will converge at the Cathedral of St Barnabas, Nottingham, on Saturday 13 September 2025, the eve of the

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

St Mark's Way links the dioceses of Leeds, Hallam and Nottingham. The Diocese of Hallam was created from the Dioceses of Leeds and Nottingham on May 30th 1980. It will set off from St Anne's Cathedral Leeds on September 6th 2025.

St Mark's Way 'day stages'. It will travel through our Diocese on the following days. Day 2 (September 7th) St Austin's & the English Martyrs Wakefield (Diocese of Leeds), via Monk Bretton Priory, to St Michael and All Angels (Parish of Corpus Christi) Wombwell (Diocese of Hallam). Day 3 (September 8th) St Michael and All Angels to St Marie's Cathedral Sheffield.

Day 4 (September 9th) St Marie's Cathedral to Padley Chapel Shrine Grindleford. Day 5 (September 10th) Padley Chapel Shrine, travelling to Our Lady and St Joseph's Matlock (Diocese of Nottingham).

Parishes in the Diocese of Hallam, on or near the route, can support the Pilgrimage by praying for the safety of pilgrims and for the success of the Pilgrimage of Hope, Opening the church for prayer and the parish hall for simple hospitality eg tea/coffee and toilet access, helping to transport the 4 – 6 perpetual pilgrims' rucksacks from the start to the end of the day's walk by car, and/or help with finding accommodation for the 4 – 6 'perpetual pilgrims' who will travel from Leeds to Nottingham. For more information, to sign up as a 'Day Pilgrim' Pilgrimage Walk | The Pilgrimage of Hope Gerard Bonner

## Just' Economics??? A Day Conference with Ann Pettifor

Saturday 20th September 2025 10am-4pm at St Mark's Church, Broomhill, Sheffield

Ann Pettifor has a formidable international reputation as an economist. Her books include The Case for the Green New Deal and the forthcoming The Global Casino: How Wall Street Gambles with People and the Planet. Ann argues that austerity measures are not needed, will not work and are undoubtedly unjust. Her approach brings a breath of fresh air and hope to a situation which increasingly looks hopeless – an approach we need to hear and weigh carefully. Save the date! Booking opens shortly. Michael Bayley



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### Renewing Our Covenant with the Poor - St. Joseph's Parish, Dinnington



A Jubilee Year is a sacred time — a call to reset, renew our faith, and recommit to building a more just world. It is a moment to work together for God's Kingdom of justice, peace, and love. Last month, St. Joseph's Parish renewed the Covenant with the Poor that we first made in 1998, in preparation for the Millennium Jubilee of 2000. In this covenant, we promised to: Raise awareness, Pray, Campaign, Share our time, love, and resources with the poor — both locally and globally. Parishioners signed the Covenant Book, each making a personal commitment to support the poor in their own way, according to their individual gifts, talents, time, and resources. The book was presented during a special Mass on June 29th, Fr. Andy offered a blessing, asking for God's help to remain faithful to these promises.

Who Are the Poor? The poor are not only those who lack money. They are also: The sick, the disabled, and the disadvantaged; The lonely, the lost, and the hopeless; Those struggling with mental health issues; Victims of violence, emotional or psychological abuse, exploitation, neglect, and rejection; Those who are simply unloved or forgotten; And the countless people suffering and dying in wars across the world.

As Mother Teresa famously said: "The greatest disease in the West today is not TB or leprosy; it is being unwanted, unloved, and uncared for. We can cure physical diseases with medicine, but the only cure for loneliness, despair, and hopelessness is love."

And in the words of Bob Marley: "Some people

are so poor that all they have is money."

Jesus reminded us: "The poor you will always have with you." (Mark 14:7). So we pray that He will give us the grace and strength to live out our covenant — to relieve suffering where we can, and to bring joy, comfort, and dignity into the lives of those in need. Christine Parrott

### Buzzing with Excitement at St Wilfrid's Centre



Supporters, staff, volunteers and clients at St Wilfrid's Centre have gone above and bee-yond to help create a new and un-bee-liveable addition to the wonderful knitted flower cascade. Completion of the giant bee marked the end of the successful Tour de Hallam where the Director, dressed as a bee, cycled 230 miles and visited 53 churches around the Diocese of Hallam, while clients, staff and volunteers matched the miles and created a real buzz back at the Centre. The bee, representing the sense of community and everyone working together, helps to highlight the fantastic work St Wilfrid's Centre does supporting vulnerable or isolated adults and the homeless. Bev Kershaw led the project and Lo and Bee-hold, an amazing 5762 strips were knitted by supporters, staff and clients, locally and across the UK. This exceeded the target of 5000 and demonstrated how many people are willing to go above and bee-yond to support the Centre. The Tour de Hallam has already raised both the profile of St Wilfrid's Centre and also £7000. With an increase in need and running costs, this is equal to the amount the charity needs to keep the Centre running for just 6 days. So - If the bee makes you smile or

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you just want to help the Centre support those most in need, please give a donation or set up a regular giving at: [www.stwilfridscentre.org](http://www.stwilfridscentre.org). Every pound makes a difference so please be the person that makes someone happy today. Ruth Sheldon

## Caritas Counselling Service Gets Another Award



Caritas counselling service has been recognised by the Charles Plater Trust for their commitment to social justice. The counselling Service has supported hundreds of women and men living with domestic abuse by group work and counselling. Janet Kent and Bernie Ware travelled to Cardiff to receive this award. Bernie Ware director for Caritas says this has been a team effort headed by Janet Kent and the amazing team of counsellors that work within our Diocese. Caritas Counselling Schools service. The schools' team have been working extremely hard throughout the year to support the Diocesan schools. We are pleased to report that over the last academic year we have delivered on 9594 hours of counselling for children and young people across the diocese. Here is what some of our schools said: "She's just such a positive energy to be around and appreciate her so much", "Wonderful as always" One Year 9 student said: "counselling has helped me understand myself, I now see a future in school and am looking forward to year 10" We look forward to continuing to work with all our schools next year. Anyone wishing to know more about the services we deliver to school please contact Bernie Ware on mobile no. 07980406198

## Holy Family, Worksop Pilgrimage of Hope



On Wednesday 16 July 2025, over 180 children from Holy Family Catholic Primary School, Worksop, aged between 4 and 11, embarked on our Pilgrimage of Hope, as part of the Jubilee Year celebrations. The children travelled together, led by the eight Mission Leaders who represent our four house teams, through our local area and local woodland. A local college allowed us to use their facilities as a basis for our activities. The day began and ended with a Celebration of the Word, with the theme 'Hope'. Throughout the day, the children worked in their house teams to create art, representing the wonder of God's creation and our hopes for the future of the world. They loved exploring during our God's Bingo, Scavenger Hunt, finding different ways of being close to God. Our Outdoor Education Lead, helped our children make crosses from sticks and twigs in the area which they each took home as a reminder of their day. And what day would be complete without an ice cream with our community ice cream van and our Police Community Support Officer. The day was a wonderful way of saying thank you for our school and community, to reflect on our relationship with God and to think ahead for what we are hopeful for and what we can do to make these hopes a reality. A huge thank you to everyone who made the day so positive and prayerful. Alexia Fox



## An Invitation to a Summer Reading Group



The Formation and Mission Team will be hosting a reading group over the summer. You are invited to join them to read *Surprised by Hope*, Cardinal Timothy Radcliffe's reflections on how to be a missionary, synodal Church in our crucified world. It is offered as a hybrid event: in person at the Hallam Pastoral Centre and via Zoom on Saturday 9, 16, 30 August, 6, 13 September 10:00-11:30 am. Booking is required using this link [Formation and Mission Eventbrite](#)



## Catholic Pastoral Leadership

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information session on Zoom at 7.00-8.30pm on Tuesday 15th July  
email [m.mul@caol.org.uk](mailto:m.mul@caol.org.uk)



Are you involved in any ministry in the Church? Are you interested in doing more for the Church? Do you want to expand your skills in pastoral leadership? A new online course in Catholic Pastoral Leadership might be what you are looking for.

Liverpool Hope University has partnered with several Catholic dioceses across England and Wales, including the Diocese of Hallam, to help people like you to gain fresh perspectives on Scripture and Church teaching. You will look at real-world issues in the light of our tradition and consider the best ways of exploring Christian faith and life with others.

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Participants from the Diocese of Hallam may be offered financial support. This is a shared cost between their parish community and the diocese. It is administered by the Formation and Mission team

To find out more, please contact formation-mission@hallam-diocese.com and visit the Liverpool Hope website <https://www.hope.ac.uk/postgraduate/postgraduatecourses/catholicpastoralleadershippgcert>

## Spiritual Conversation - Introduction to Accompaniment

Hallam Formation and Mission with The Jesuit Institute present

### Spiritual Conversation Introduction to accompaniment

"Where are you going?"  
JRM13/26

Join us for stage 3 as we grow in ways of journeying together through listening, speaking and discerning. Whether you're a returning participant or new to our series, these sessions give you the opportunity to deepen your understanding and practice of Spiritual Conversation. Participants will need to attend all sessions. Further training will be necessary for anyone discerning their call as a Spiritual Accompanier

**Where:** Hallam Pastoral Centre and Online

**Dates :**

Dates	Times:
Saturday 11th October 2025	10am-5pm In person
Thursday 23rd October 2025	7pm-9pm On-line
Saturday 8th November 2025	1pm-5pm On-line
Thursday 20th November 2025	7pm-9pm On-Line
Saturday 6th December 2025	1pm-5pm On-line
Thursday 18th December 2025	7pm-9pm On-line
Thursday 15th January 2026	7pm-9pm On-line
Saturday 31st January 2026	10am-5pm In-person

**Cost:** Donation

**Booking is essential – places are limited!**  
Deadline 19 September 2025

Reserve your spot via:

**Email:** [formation-mission@hallam-diocese.com](mailto:formation-mission@hallam-diocese.com)

**Book using this link** **Phone:** 0114 256 6410

Don't miss out on this opportunity to enhance your listening skills in a supportive and engaging environment. Secure your place today!

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### Booking is essential –

Use the QR Code



## An Invitation to Celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage

Diocese of Hallam

Bishop Ralph Heskett

INVITES ALL COUPLES WHO HAVE MARRIED THIS YEAR OR WHO ARE CELEBRATING THEIR FIRST, TENTH, TWENTY FIFTH, FIFTIETH, SIXTIETH OR OTHER SIGNIFICANT ANNIVERSARY

to  
A DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF  
THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

**SATURDAY 11 October 2025,  
12:00 Noon**

St Peter's Catholic Church  
Chequer Road, Doncaster DN1 2AA

RSVP using this QR code  
further details from  
[marriagepreparation@hallam-diocese.com](mailto:marriagepreparation@hallam-diocese.com)

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Have you just got married during 2025 or are Are you celebrating a significant wedding anniversary one, 10, 25, 50 60 or more? If so, Bishop Ralph cordially invites you to join him at a diocesan celebration Mass in thanksgiving for the sacrament of Marriage on 11 October 2025 at St Peter's, Chequer Road, Doncaster DN1 2AA at 12:00 followed by refreshments. If you would like to attend then please add your details to this Google form or using the QR Code above. Further Details from [marriagepreparation@hallam-diocese.com](mailto:marriagepreparation@hallam-diocese.com)



## Looking Ahead

### Youth Summer Festival



### St Bede's Pastoral Centre York



**What's On at St Bede's**  
2025 to 2026 Programme

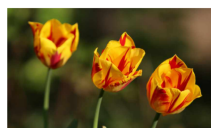
Offering a wide range of courses and retreats – available in centre at St Bede's or online – designed to support greater wholeness and fullness of life.



Themed Talks, Workshops  
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Supported Prayer



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### Register for the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies Starting in September 2025

CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCE OF ENGLAND AND WALES



### CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Are you interested in deepening your understanding of the Catholic Faith? The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies may be for you

CCRS is a certificate course validated by the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. It offers a basic foundation in Catholic theology and practice through teaching, discussion, study, and personal reflection. It is aimed at anyone who wants to undertake some serious, but accessible, study into Catholic theology. It is particularly well-suited for staff in Catholic schools, parish catechists and those involved in various aspects of lay ministry.

It consists of six core modules ❖ Bible I (The Old Testament) ❖ Jesus Christ ❖ Bible II (The New Testament) ❖ The Church ❖ The Sacraments ❖ Christian Morality and two Specialist modules currently offered in Hallam include: ❖ Catholic Religious Education ❖ Liturgy ❖ Catholic Social Teaching  
The course will recommence in late September. If you would like to register then please use this link or QR code [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSczZAabQ50HOtIsJc4bNL7TdwmjFies9NY\\_S0sODNQKlxUqlg/viewform?usp=header](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSczZAabQ50HOtIsJc4bNL7TdwmjFies9NY_S0sODNQKlxUqlg/viewform?usp=header) and complete the Registration Form.



## A Celebration for the Feast of Our Lady of Knock

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> August 7pm at St Mary's Church, Herringthorpe Valley Road, Rotherham S65 3BA**



**Join us for Holy Mass and a Torchlight Rosary Procession**

**Followed by refreshments**



**For further details, contact Sally at [sallyglennon@gmail.com](mailto:sallyglennon@gmail.com)**

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Safeguarding by everybody, for everybody



**Join Bishop Ralph Heskett on the National Day of Prayer for Survivors of Abuse**

**Service of Love and Prayers**

**Wednesday 10th September 2025, 7.00pm**

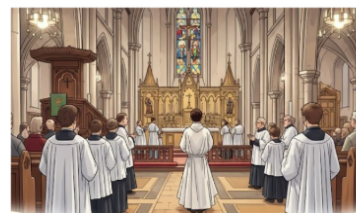
**St Theresa's Parish Hall  
311 Queen Mary Rd,  
Sheffield S2 1EA**

**All are welcome to join together as an active demonstration of our love and support for all survivors of abuse**

## Diocesan Jubilee Mass for Altar Servers



### Jubilee of Altar Servers



You are invited to a Mass of thanksgiving on

**Saturday 20 September 2025 at 10.30am**

at Holy Rood Church, Barnsley, S70 1AX  
with principal celebrant Rt Rev. Ralph Heskett

Altar Servers to bring Alb and Cincture or Cassock/Cotta and Guild Medal.

Arrive by 10.00am for vesting in the Hall. Refreshments will be provided after Mass.

The National Honorary President of the Guild of St Stephen will be in attendance.



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Holy Rood Church, Barnsley, celebrates 125 years since its foundation by hosting the first diocesan Mass of thanksgiving for all our Altar Servers from across the Diocese of Hallam in this Jubilee Year. A Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Ralph on Saturday 20 September 2025 at 10.30am. Altar Servers from across the Diocese and their families are invited to come together as Pilgrims of Hope in this Church, that was the first in the diocese to be affiliated to the Archconfraternity of St. Stephen ([guildofststephen.org](http://guildofststephen.org)) coming up for 80 years ago.

The Archconfraternity of St Stephen itself shares an anniversary with Holy Rood. It is 125 years since Pope Pius X (later Saint) gave his official approval of the Guild.

Parish Priests or Masters of Ceremony bringing Servers from your parishes, please let Deacon Tony Strike, Diocesan Director of the Guild, know approximate numbers in advance ([astrike@hallam-diocese.com](mailto:astrike@hallam-diocese.com)) so we have an indication for seating and refreshments. It is intended to take group photographs so let Deacon Tony know in advance if any attending need to opt-out. Servers should bring an Alb/ Cincture or Cassock/Cotta and their Guild of St. Stephen Medal if enrolled. They should arrive by 10.00am for vesting in the Hall before Mass, and to form a procession from the Hall to the Church. Tony Strike