

All Saints	<p>Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, And I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!</p> <p>Gospel Matthew 5:1-12 The Beatitudes show the way to become holy.</p>
<p>First Reading Apocalypse 7:2-4. 9-14 The apostle John sees a vision of the life in heaven.</p> <p>Responsorial Psalm 23:1-6 Such are the men who see your face, O Lord.</p> <p>Second Reading 1 John 3:1-3 As children of God, we are promised that one day we will see God face to face.</p>	

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Sunday Year A

All Saints

Weekday Cycle II

"My dear people, we are already the children of God... Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ."

Service Times & Intentions

Saturday (St Michaels)	31 Oct	5.30pm	John Dainty RIP
Sunday (St Michaels)	1 Nov	9.00am	People of the Parish
Sunday (St Helen`s)	1 Nov	11.00am	Jack O`Connell and David Hill RIP
Monday	2 Nov	12.00pm	The Holy Father
Tuesday	3 Nov	NO MASS	
Wednesday	4 Nov	NO MASS	
Thursday	5 Nov	NO MASS	
Friday	6 Nov	NO MASS	
Saturday	7 Nov	NO MASS	
Saturday (St Michaels)	7 Nov	5.30pm	June Brown RIP
Sunday (St Michaels)	8 Nov	9.00am	Sheila Durkan RIP
Sunday (St Helen`s)	8 Nov	11.00am	People of the Parish

Please go to the link below so you can join in with Masses and Services, streamed live by Fr Declan, or catch up later at the following link:

<https://m.facebook.com/CorpusChristiValley/videos/>

In 1969 when Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin stepped out onto the surface of the moon, the universe seemed smaller and history was made. Looking at the first pictures of the earth from the moon, many people were filled with a sense of awe and wonder at God's beautiful creation. The first Boeing 747 flight happened in the same year. Since then, people travel to find work, to escape persecution, and those who can afford it go on holiday. Flights have also made it possible to go on pilgrimage to holy places which were only in the dreams of the past. People desire to see and touch the holy and are fascinated by the relics of the saints. These experiences deepen our appreciation of the gift of God's creation and the wonder of the human person called to become a saint.

Each of us is called to be holy. What a wonderful calling! Last year St John Henry Newman was canonised. At the age of fifteen he became acutely aware of his own existence and that of God. He had the "thought of two, and two only, absolute and luminously self-evident beings, myself and my Creator". He had a heartfelt sense that this "would last into the next life, and that I was elected to eternal glory". The experience of the Creator made him feel very humble and so he wrote, "I thought only of the mercy to myself." This foundational event led him to search for the truth and to deepen the journey that began at his baptism.

The opening words of today's second reading are full of confidence: "Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us." We could ponder these words for hours in order to savour God's love. They emphasise our dignity since we are children of God and can look forward to the day when we will see God face to face. Then we will understand fully what we have only glimpsed in a shadowy way during life. As we walk by faith and not by sight, we catch hints and suggestions of God's grace and allow God to illuminate the path so that we can keep faith and carry the cross towards the resurrection.

A rich image of heaven is presented in the first reading. Gathered around the altar on which stands the Lamb of God, are the people from every tribe, nation and

language. They sing the praise of God, perhaps singing the majestic hymn "Praise to the Holiest in the Height" which St John Henry Newman wrote and included in his poem *The Dream of Gerontius*. The people of all the nations are surrounded by angels who adore God and wear their white baptismal robes. Many have carried the cross of persecution and martyrdom and remained faithful to the end. St Maximilian Kolbe is greeted by St Francis, St Thérèse of Lisieux by St Teresa of Avila, and St John Henry Newman is met by St Athanasius, whom he studied all his life. We too are called to be saints to join their company.

Jesus said he is "the Way, the Truth and the Life". In the Beatitudes he reveals the attitudes which shape us to become saints. St Oscar Romero hungered and thirsted for justice. St Vincent de Paul and St Louise de Marillac were merciful to needy people and their work is continued by members of the SVP. Our Lady was pure in heart and able to live all the Beatitudes.

While baptism is the beginning of the Christian life, it is also the gift of a calling to become a saint. Each of us has a personal calling from God to be followed. For most people it is living out love in family life, in the everyday relationships of looking after children, loving one's husband or wife, and having time and care for ageing and elderly parents. For some, it is a calling to the service of priesthood, the consecration of religious life, and for others a committed single life which reaches out to others. God's call is always a call to go beyond ourselves in love. As St John Henry Newman said, "God has created me to do him some definite service. He has committed some work to me which he has not committed to another. I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next." Walking by faith and led by God's kindly light, we can become saints.

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Prayers for the Sick

We pray for our sick and/or housebound parishioners. We remember especially Clare Dingwall, Anne Whittingham, Terence Dyson, Sue Bird, David Hardy, Tess Lynch, Carol Beard, Edna Yates, Justin Phillip Collins, Hannah Prentiss, Pat and Colin Hermitage, Thomas Collins, Norma Marshall, Lesley Easton, Val Armstrong, Minnie Helen Pozorski, Terry Mullins, Matthew Deakin, Margaret Booker, Anne Lacey, Kath Cragg, Michael Foy, Shirley Broadhead, Norah Preuss, Mavis Guilcher, Andrew Chandler.

The Move to Tier 3

As you will know, from last Saturday, South Yorkshire is now designated as an area with a very high level of infection and tighter restrictions have been put in place.

One bit of good news is that places of worship will remain open and there is no change in the guidance from Bishops' Conference for the celebration of Mass etc.

Please continue to be vigilant and take care.

Donations and Weekly Offerings

Please continue to donations via PayPal, online payments and Standing Order. This is our main source of income. Donations to the parish can be made online via PayPal at corpuschristi.hallam-diocese.com/parish-news/donate-if-you-can/

Another way is to donate is by Standing Order and the form is available on the website. Please note that the full name of the account is

Diocese of Hallam, Corpus Christi Parish.

Holy Souls

During the month of November, we pray especially for those who have died. If you would like a mass for your loved ones, the Holy Souls lists and envelopes are now available from church. The masses will then be said throughout the coming year.

Father Declan away

Fr. Declan is having a well deserved break so please note there will be no weekday masses over the next two weeks, excepting Monday 2nd November which is All Souls Day and will be celebrated by Fr. Jude at noon in St. Michael's. Fr Jude will also be with us to celebrate next weekends' masses.

If you need a priest in a pastoral emergency, please contact Fr. Peter Iwuoha on 01226 710320

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;

He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen

Prayer for Vocations

Loving and generous Father: it is you who call us by name and ask us to follow you. In particular, you call some to serve you as ministers in your church. Bless our Diocese of Hallam by raising up faith-filled and dedicated priests, deacons and religious. Bless our families and choose from our homes those who are needed for your mission.

Blessed John Anne	Pray for us
Blessed Robert Ludlam	Pray for us
Blessed Nicholas Garlick	Pray for us
Blessed William Richardson	Pray for us

0 Mary, Mother of Perpetual Help Pray for us