

<p>13th Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading 1 Kings 19:16. 19-21 Elisha leaves behind his parents and his farming lifestyle and follows the itinerant prophet Elijah as his servant.</p> <p>Responsorial Psalm 15:1-2,5,7-11 O Lord, it is you who are my portion.</p> <p>Second Reading Galatians 5:1. 13-18 We are called to be free, not to a life of selfishness and sin, but to one of generous service of others.</p>	<p>Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!</p> <p>Gospel Luke 9:51-62 Following Jesus requires a wholehearted commitment.</p>
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Parish of Corpus Christi

Sacred Heart (Goldthorpe), Sacred Heart & St Helen (Hoyland) and St Michael & All Angels (Wombwell)



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Sunday Year C

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekday Cycle II

"Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head."

Service Times & Intentions

Saturday Vigil (St Michael's)	25 June	5.30pm	Noreen Brown RIP
Sunday (Sacred Heart)	26 June	9.00am	People of the Parish
Sunday (St Helen's)	26 June	11.00am	Callaghan Family
Tuesday Live Streamed	28 June	12.00pm	NO MASS
Wednesday (St Michael's) SS Peter and Paul	29 June	6.00pm	NO MASS
Thursday (St. Helen's)	30 June	12.00 noon	NO MASS
Friday (St. Helen's)	1 July	10.00am	NO MASS
Saturday (St Michael's)	2 July	12.00pm	NO MASS
Saturday Vigil (St Michael's)	2 July	5.30pm	P T Sebastian RIP
Pentecost Sunday (Sacred Heart)	3 July	9.00am	People of the Parish
Pentecost Sunday (St Helen's)	3 July	11.00am	Andrew J Marren RIP

Divine Mercy Chaplet is at 3.00pm on Fridays at St. Michael's Church
The Sacrament of Reconciliation is always available upon request.

We all need a place to be ourselves, where appearances don't matter and we can indulge in at least a few minutes of peace and quiet, briefly forgetting responsibilities and the "to-do" list. There's a difference between a "house" and a "home". The community council of an exclusive celebrity housing estate on the south coast of England forbids the use of lawn mowers between midday Saturday and nine o'clock on Monday morning. Garden fences and hedges must be a minimum 2.4 metres high. Because accounts at the local supermarket are anonymous, delivery drivers cannot identify the householders whose groceries they carry. Security guards patrol the estate where residents hide from celebrity-spotters and fans. Is this the price of fame and fortune? When does a home become a prison?

By contrast, we remember seeing the turmoil, heartbreak and tragedy last summer as many thousands of people abandoned their homes in search of peace and stability away from Afghanistan and the perceived threat to everything they held dear. We also remember other refugees and migrants who risk everything in search of a new home. We think of their anxiety and fear as, craving homes they can call their own, they face an unknown future in a strange land. What did Jesus mean in speaking of the homelessness that he and his followers knew? Are his followers to downgrade their loved ones in opting for a life of uncertainty? Are we to be afraid of the unknown or confident in following Jesus?

Jesus declared that he had nowhere to call his home. Were there moments when he wanted to escape to a place of his own? Having been ejected from Nazareth, he made Capernaum his base and occasionally visited his friends Martha, Mary and Lazarus in Bethany. He was "at home" but the house wasn't his. Might he have liked occasionally to shut the front door and make the world go away, even for a couple of hours? Apart from his times of solitary prayer, Jesus made himself available to others, known and unknown, at every hour of the day and night. Jesus wanted people to see and know him. He didn't want his disciples to prevent access

and didn't gravitate towards people according to their bank balance and high status in society.

Was Jesus, the source of love, unloving when he said that the dead should be left to bury the dead? He appeared to stop someone from saying goodbye to his family before following him. He promised his followers no fixed abode, hard work, tiredness, inconvenience and criticism. If that's love, it's tough. Jesus' words in today's Gospel do not make for easy reading. They are hard-hitting. He was blunt and uncompromising in saying that to follow him requires wholehearted commitment and determination to give until it hurts. Today's Gospel is about putting others before self. That's what it means to lay down one's life on behalf of others.

Most of us have, at one time or another, walked past a huddled sleeping bag in a shop doorway, spread out beneath a bridge or across a park bench, perhaps with a sign asking for money. We might worry that it's money to spend on drink or drugs – but then perhaps the person might use it to find a bed for the night, or to buy a hot drink and a sandwich. We're afraid of being conned by someone's hard luck story that might or might not be true. Yet we should remember that few people are homeless by choice. Some opt for opulent luxury but mistakenly believe that fame and fortune are their own reward. Instead of a home, they create a gilded cage. Others are physically homeless because circumstances force them into a desperate search for the basics of survival for themselves and their families.

Yet others may, in a sense, describe themselves as having no fixed abode simply because they have chosen to accept Jesus' call to follow him. Just as his home was nowhere because it was everywhere, so can the same be said for his followers. They do not occupy a mindless routine that restricts their minds and activities, because their hearts are alive and sensitive to the beauty and intricacy of the people around them. The proverb tells us that "home is where the heart is" – and so they find Jesus everywhere and in everyone. Jesus told us to make our home in him just as he makes his home in my heart, your heart, our hearts. That requires self-sacrifice.

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Prayers for the Sick

We pray for our sick and/or housebound parishioners. We remember especially Bridie Pickering, Bernadette Houlton, Janet O'Brien, Clare Dingwall, Michael Bennett, Christine Haigh, Janette Barber, Claire Selby, Paddy McNicholas, Peter Hutchinson, David Hardy, Tess Lynch, Edna Yates, Justin Phillip Collins, Hannah Prentiss, Pat and Colin Hermitage, Thomas Collins, Norma Marshall, Val Armstrong, Minnie Helen Pozorski, Terry Mullins, Matthew Deakin, Margaret Booker, Kath Cragg, Michael Foy, Shirley Broadhead, Norah Preuss, Mavis Guilcher, Andrew Chandler.

Rosary at Goldthorpe

The Rosary at Goldthorpe is every **Wednesday** at 1.30pm.

Red Mission Boxes

Please bring in your Red Mission Boxes at your earliest convenience. If you are a UK Taxpayer, please consider using Gift Aid. Thank you for your support and for your continued prayers for missionaries around the world.

Marist Pilgrimage to Walsingham Saturday 2nd July

The Coach will leave promptly 7.30am Wombwell, 7.45am Goldthorpe Thank you to all those who have paid fares. For the few of you I haven't managed to catch up with, payment on the day is fine. Please bring your rosaries for prayers on the journey. Hot/cold food is available at the Shrine tearoom, also large picnic areas available, open air and covered. Those who prefer not to walk the Holy Mile will be able to travel on the coach into the village. Anything further please contact Amanda Campbell (07505 408870) or Patrick Logan (07519 279065).

SS Peter and Pauls Day 29th June

Pursuant to Canon Law 1245, Fr. Declan Brett dispenses the obligation to attend Mass on the Feast of SS. Peter & Paul. You may, if you wish to, go to a neighbouring parish for Mass. Fr Declan will be back with us for next weekends' masses. . If you need a priest in a pastoral emergency, please contact Fr. Damian on 01226 284961 or 07791554214.

Peter's Pence 2nd Collection

This weekend's second collection will be for Peter's Pence, the global collection plate for the Pope's favourite charities. The purpose of Peter's Pence Collection is to provide the Holy Father with the financial means to respond to those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression, natural disaster, and disease.

Diocesan Annual Appeal for LIFE 2nd Collection 18th/19th June

Thank you for your generosity for the second collection last weekend which raised £116.33

If you would still like to donate, see : <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/dfi22/>

Bonus Ball - Goldthorpe and Hoyland

The Bonus Ball was Number 21, the winners were I Stones in Goldthorpe and E Coefield in St. Helen's.

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The Diocese is now on Twitter! You would find the official account under the handle @HallamDioceseRC. Please follow!

We hope that by following, it will connect you more into our local community, as you will find news, events, resources, prayers and inspiration to help you in your everyday life. Feel free to join in our conversation, share your views with us and help foster an even stronger sense of family within the Church.

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