21st November 2026

Blessed Trinity The Immaculate Conception St Gerard's

To be a joyful, inclusive Christ-centred community, drawing people to know Jesus through our words and actions.

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Prayer Intention of the Holy Father Pope Leo XIV for November & December 2026:
November: We pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.
December: We pray for families experiencing the absence of a mother or father, that they may find support and accompaniment in the Church, and help and strength in the Faith during difficult times.

November

Updating the Anniversaries of Those Who Have Died

Diaries will be in place by the shrines of Our Lady at the Immaculate Conception and St Gerard's throughout the month of November for the recording of anniversaries of the deceased people you wish to remember in prayer. This diary forms the basis for the list of anniversaries shown on the parish newsletters in the year ahead. If you are not sure of the date of death of the person you want to remember pick a date that is relevant to the person you are remembering or to you. What matters are the prayers for the person you wish to remember.

In memory of Those Who Have Died.

The annual memorial Mass for The Dead will be celebrated at the Immaculate Conception on Thursday 12th November 7pm and at St Gerard's on Tuesday 24th November at 6pm.

Our Local SVP Group is here to help and support people going through though financial times and all done in a confidential and none judgmental way. Text 07503 121624 and someone will get back to you. Everyone needs a helping hand sometimes – you are not alone. Please reach out or share with anyone who might need help.

Our Annual Christmas meal is being held on Wednesday 16th December at the Toby Carvery at 6pm. 2 courses for £15. If you would like to come then please put your payment into an envelope with your name and telephone number and pass to Mandy or Tina. Everyone is welcome. The annual raffle for the work of the SVP which helps local people in need will take place in December and drawn at the parish meal. If anyone would like to donate a prize it would be much appreciated. Many thanks

Our next **second collection** will be on the 6th December in support of the Diocesan Caring Service.
Financial Support to the Parish. If you wish to set up a standing order or make a bank transfer to one of the parish accounts the details you require are given below.
St Mary's Rotherham sort code 404107 account number 51094262
St Gerard's Thrybergh sort code 404107 account number 11095110

Anniversaries: 21 st Agnes Browne, Grace Clarke, Ronald Stagles, 22 nd Elizabeth Horton, Bernice Johnson, Doris Gray, John Ridley, Ralph Heath, Terry Girdlestone, Agnes Waddingham, 23 rd Elaine Mansell, Owen Jenkinson, Pat Crowley, Edmond Sexton, Ann & Angela Gosling, Garry Cox, Hilda walsh, Kathleen Flathers, Mitchell family, Philip Hunt, Skinner Family, Wade family, Wigglesworth family, YM Abraham, John Durcan, 24 th , Bernadette Root, Michael Mzyk, Rosaleen mcLaughlin, Ann Cox, 25 th Mary Connolly, Pat Scott, Mrs Maria Efole, Thomas Bermingham, 26 th Frank Morley, Katherine Pearson, Rose Gavin, Catherine davis, Charles Dunne, Fr Gerry Conway, Harold Kinsey, Irene Ripley, Peggy Ahmed, 27 th Pat Bakes, Annie Egan, Betty Haslam, Arnold Galamiton, John Anderson, 28 th Eugene Harris, Joan O'Brien, Mr & Mrs George Stothhard, Andy Horan, Barboza Family, Crossland Family, John Barboza, Peter Doherty, Stack & Bill Duffy, Carrie Rose Wormley, 29 th Alexander Maclean, Anthony Thomas, Ann Haddican, Bernard Egan, Mary Haddican, 30 th Fr Hubert McNamara, Lewis Bunting, Lucy Morley, Owen Kaveanagh, Dolly Unsworth,Tess Fretwell, Winifred Farmer, Mary Kennedy, 1 st December Frank Agoda, Albert Clarke, Dorothy Walker, Kevin Skelly, M.T. Joseph Mukkada, George Ball, Kathleen Kemp, Ken Ross, Ken Allward, Marie Stothard, 2 nd James Cahilll, John Robinson, Mrs B Cawley, Lynn Ross, 3 rd William Ambrose, Maureen Breslin, Olive Pickering, Paddy Lowry, Amy Gurran, Andrew, John Patick Burke & Ann Burke, Lilly Granny, Mariya Meel, Mathew, Rose Flower, Sally, Tom Keyes, 4 th James Farmer, Ciaran Mulligan, Terry Price, 5 th Fr Reginald Bessler, Maria Juhassova, Patricia McCallnan, William Glennon, 6 th Alan Mashman, Brendan Griffin, Elene (Pappalard) Mashman, Joe Ross, Neil Moffitt, Peter Carney, Elizabeth Skupien, June Broughton, Chrissie Elam,

If you would like to add someone to our record of anniversaries, please forward the details of the person's name and date of the anniversary of their death to office@tpicr.co.uk

Recent Deaths: Terrence Mullan, Kathleen O'Shea, Angela Cooper, Fr Thomas Towey, Con Doherty, Barbara Gould

We pray for all who are ill

Congratulations to Reya and Maeve Woodhouse and their family on their baptism at the Immaculate Conception on the 1st November.

Dates for Your Diary:

Bambino Sunday: This takes place on the third Sunday of Advent, (12th/13th Dec). Please remember to bring to Mass the figure of the child Jesus from your crib. The figure of the child Jesus will be blessed and is a lovely way of preparing for Christmas.

Community Carol Service: On Tuesday 12th December 6pm, the parish of the Immaculate Conception will host a Carol Service to which you are invited to bring along family and friends who may not be church going but love to sing carols. This service has been introduced in recent years and is a favourite.

Waiting In Darkness – An Advent Retreat: This is being led by Nick Helm and is being held at St Mary's Penistone on the 12 Dec 10 -30am to 3-30pm. Booking is done via www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/hallam-formation-and-mission-46212155433.

Baptismal Preparation—The next course begins on Tuesday evening 24th November 7pm and the second session is on the 1st December. Both sessions are on zoom. Please contact Fr Desmond if you would like to receive an invitation.

Sycamore—Our next Sycamore session is on Saturday 31st October 1-30pm in the parish house at the Immaculate Conception. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, Sycamore is for you. Speak with Fr Desmond for more information.

Change of Parish Office email address: Hallam Diocese has now allocated new email addresses to every parish and so our office email address of '*office@tpicr.co.uk*' will no longer be operating by the end of November. As from now please use the following addresses:

office.immaculateconception.rotherham@hallam-diocese.com

office.stgreards.thrybergh@hallam-diocese.com

office.blessedtrinity.wickersley@hallam-diocese.com

Fr Des Phone number remains as: **07983 142 653**

The weeks ahead:

Immaculate Conception	**Saturday 21st November**	5-15 6pm	Confession **Christ the King**	POP
Immaculate Conception St Gerard's	**Sunday 22nd**	9am 11am	**Christ the King** **Christ the King**	Henryka Gorska Michael Mellor
Immaculate Conception	Monday 23rd	7pm	Dedication of St Maries Cathedral Memorial Mass	Owen Jenkinson
St Gerard's	Tuesday 24th	6pm	Memorial Mass	Deceased Parishioners
St Gerard's	Wednesday25th	10am	Wednesday of the Thirty Fourth Week of Ordinary Time	
Immaculate Conception	Thursday 26th	6-30 7pm	Adoration Thursday of the Thirty Fourth Week of Ordinary Time	Edmond Sexton
Immaculate Conception	Friday 27th	10am	Friday of the Thirty Fourth Week of Ordinary Time	Olga & Tom Kelsall
St Gerard's Immaculate Conception	Saturday 28th	10-30 11am 5-15 6pm	Adoration and Confessions Saturday Memorial of the BVM Confessions **First Sunday of Advent**	Eileen O'Brien Theresa Hanrahan
Immaculate Conception St Gerard's	**Sunday 29th November**	9am 11am	**First Sunday of Advent** **First Sunday of Advent**	Yorkshire Brethren POP
Immaculate Conception	Monday 30th	10am	St Andrew, Apostles	
St Gerard's	Tuesday 1st December	10am	Tuesday of the First Week of Advent	
St Gerard's	Wednesday 2nd	9am 10am	Wednesday of the First Week of Advent Funeral Service	Holy Souls Terrence Mullan
Immaculate Conception	Thursday 3rd	6-30 7pm	Adoration St Francis Xavier	
Immaculate Conception	Friday 4th	10am	Friday of the First Week of Advent	
Immaculate Conception Immaculate Conception	**Saturday 5th December**	10am 6pm	Requiem mass **Second Sunday of Advent**	Kathleen O'Shea POP
Immaculate Conception St Gerard's	**Sunday 6th December**	9am 11am	**Second Sunday of Advent** **Second Sunday of Advent**	 Deehan Family

Confession at St Gerard's 10-30am on Saturday 21st & 28th November and at the Immaculate Conception 5-15pm on Saturday 21st & 28th November & 5th December. Confession is also available after the 10am Monday morning Mass at the Immaculate Conception and by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick: The anointing of the Sick will be available at St Gerard's on the 25th November and at the Immaculate Conception on the 21st December.

Confession During Advent

Men's Prayer Group
The next Mens Prayer Group will be on Monday 7th December 6-30pm at the Immaculate Conception. It involves Adoration, a bible share of one of the parables of Jesus and ends with Night Prayer. The evening event takes just over one hour and is a time for men to come together and pray.

Community Get Togethers final date for the year is:
- *Tuesday 15th December—Community Carol Service*
Everyone is most welcome to these events. They start at 6pm and we serve delicious homemade cakes and refreshments. Please come along and bring a friend x

Advent Wreath Workshop—This popular is an opportunity for families to make their own Advent Wreaths and have them blessed at our first Advent Masses. The workshops take place in the parish rooms of the Immaculate Conception, you have two choices, Friday 27th November 3-45pm and Saturday 28th November 10am. All materials provided cost £10, please text Melissa Haigh to book, 07557092939

Thanks to St Gerard's parishioners for the generous contributions to the recent second collections. CAFOD Family Fast Day raised a total of £437.00 and the MISSIO collection raised £75.70.
If anyone would like to make a contribution towards St Gerard's Christmas flowers and church decorations in memory of deceased relatives, donations can be given to Win Egan or Hilary Bryce-Glossop.

Solemnities & Feast Days
Dedication of St Marie's Cathedral (23rd November): The feast day celebrates the dedication of St Marie's cathedral in Sheffield and the local church in Hallam Diocese.
St Andrew Dung Lac and companions (24th November): A convert to Catholicism and later ordained a priest, St Andrew Dung Lac was martyred in Vietnam along with 117 priests, religious and lay people between 1820 and 1862. Their witness has helped members in later years to endure the pain of conflict in Vietnam during the 20th cent involving the French, USA and the civil war. At the end of the war, though Vietnam was united it remains to this day under Communist rule and yet the Catholic Church survives.
St Andrew Apostle (30th November: The brother of Peter and one of the first disciples of Jesus Christ after following St John the Baptist. He was present when Jesus fed 5,000 people with five loaves and two fish.
St Francis Xavier (3rd December): A native of Spain and one of the greatest missionaries in the life of the Church. He was one of the first members of the Jesuit **Order** under the guidance of St Ignatius. In 1541 he made his way to India where he preached the gospel and made in roads into modern day Malaysia. By 1549 he had arrived in Japan and in 1552 was planning to visit China. Unfortunately he died following an illness on the 3rd Dec 1552 before he was able to reach the mainland.

100 Club

Immaculate Conception
September £100 winner No.6 Kath Wheldon
October £500 winner No.34 Glorina Jeeven.

St Gerards
August, Judith Rossall (43) £50;
September Maria Whelan (50) £50;
October: Cath Straker (36) £250.

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