

**St Catherine's and St Patrick's Churches Sheffield**  
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**7th December 2025 Second Sunday of Advent**



<b>Saturday</b>	6th	<b>5.00pm</b>	Kathleen Harrington/ George Keen	
<b>Sunday</b>	7th	<b>9.00am</b> <b>11.00am</b>	Nancy & Sarah Surber Mutambarade Family	<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>
<b>Monday</b>	8th	<b>10.00am</b>	Brian Watson	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	9th	<b>8.30am</b> <b>9.00am</b>	<b>Adoration (SP)</b> Dead List	St Juan Diego
<b>Wednesday</b>	10th	<b>9.00am</b>	Dead List (SP)	St John Roberts
<b>Thursday</b>	11th	<b>9.00am</b>	Blanche Watson (SP)	Pope St Damasus I
<b>Friday</b>	12th	<b>8.30am</b> <b>1.00pm</b>	<b>Adoration (SC)</b> Julie Family Noel Byrne. (Requiem)	Our Lady of Guadalupe
<b>Saturday</b>	13th	<b>10.00am</b> <b>5.00pm</b>	Deniese family Anthony Kent	St Lucy
<b>Sunday</b>	14th	<b>9.00am</b> <b>11.00am</b>	Ronald Watson Michael Herron	<b>Third Sunday of Advent</b>

**BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP:** Merlyn Roche (SC)

McGrath Family (SP)

**SACRED HEART LAMP:** Ronald Mason (SC)

Naomi Harris (SP)

**SICK:** Liam Mon'ahan; Peter Roche; Tony-Craig Murphy; Eileen Mc Kermit; B Donnelly; Zoe Darwin Ruth Maloney Mary Sheehey

**LATELY DEAD:** Noel Byrne. Kathleen Harrington

**ANNIVERSARIES:** George Keen; Lawrence Baxter; Peter Keating; James Challoner; Audrey Maloney; Catherine Parkes  
 Frederick Hayes; Noel Ould; Herbert Tissington; Michael Herron.

**Entrance:** O people of Zion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of our heart.

**Collect:** Almighty and merciful God, may no earthly undertaking hinder those who set out in haste to meet your Son, but may our learning of heavenly wisdom gain us admittance to his company. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you....

**First Reading:**

**A reading from the Prophet Isaiah**  
*“With righteousness he will judge the poor,”*

**11: 1-10.**

On that day: There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding the spirit of counsel and might the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. And his delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see or decide disputes by what his ears hear, but with righteousness he shall judge for the poor and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist and faithfulness the belt of his loins. The wolf shall dwell with the lamb; the leopard shall lie down with the young goat; and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain, for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. In that day the root of Jesse who shall stand as a signal for the peoples; of him shall the nations shall enquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

**The Word of the Lord**

**RESPONSE:** In his days shall justice flourish, and great peace forever..

**Psalms 72**

O God, give your judgement to the king to a king' son your justice.

That he may judge your people with justice and your poor in right judgement. **R/**

In his days shall justice flourish, and great peace till the moon is no more  
 He shall ride from sea to sea, from the river to the bounds of the earth. **R/**

For he shall save the needy when they cry, the poor and those who are helpless  
 He will have pity on the weak and the needy and save the lives of the needy. **R/**

May his name endure forever, his name coming like the sun,  
 Every tribe shall be blest in him; all nations shall call him blessed. **R/**

**Second Reading: A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Romans**

**15: 4-9.**

***“Christ saves all men.”***

Brethren; whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore welcome one another, as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, “Therefore I will praise you among the gentiles and sing to your name”;

**The Word of the Lord**

**Acclamation: Alleluia, Prepare the word of the Lord, make his path straight:  
all flesh shall see the salvation of God Alleluia.**

**GOSPEL:**

**A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew**

**3: 1-12**

***“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”***

In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea. “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” For this is he of whom was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, “The voice of one crying in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight.’” Now John wore a garment of camel's hair and a leather belt round his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, and they were baptized by him in the River Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit in keeping with repentance, And do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father,’ for I tell you, God is able from the stones to raise up children for Abraham. Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees; Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. “I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

**The Gospel of the Lord**

**ACCLAMATION: We proclaim your death O Lord and profess your Resurrection until you come again.**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights,  
and behold the joy which comes to you from God.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:** Replenished by the food of spiritual nourishment, we humbly beseech you, O Lord, that, through our partaking in this mystery, you may teach us to judge wisely the things of earth and hold firm to the things of heaven. Through Christ our Lord.

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS: St Catherine's £501.78. & £126.83 St Patrick's £ 278.46. Thank you.**

**GIFT AID:** If anyone wishes to pay their GIFT AID by standing order. The details are as follows:

**For St Patrick's Church Sort Code 404107 Account Number 52191059 (Diocese of Hallam St Patrick's)**

**St Catherine's Church Sort Code 404107 Account Number 21094335 (Diocese of Hallam St Catherine's)**

**CAROL SERVICE:** At St Patrick's Church on Saturday, 20th December at 2 pm. Refreshments will be served

**REPOSITORY STALL:** We have some lovely items for sale, with a very big Christmas selection including Christmas cards, candles, calendars and Nativity statues. Thank you to everyone for their custom so far this year. Just a reminder that our prices are a lot less expensive than other companies and shops. *Fr. Albert*

**TIME TO START SCHOOL?** If your child was born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022, you need to apply for their school place. Save Time - Apply Online at: [www.sheffield.gov.uk/schools-childcare](http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/schools-childcare)

Closing date for applying: 15th January 2026

Pupil Admissions can be contacted on 0114 273 5766 (**St Patrick's**) and 0114 3030381 (**St Catherine's**)

It is your responsibility to apply for a school place. Missing the closing date will mean less chance of obtaining a place at your preferred school(s).

**CONFESSIONS: Saturdays 9.30am to 10am and 4.30pm to 5.00pm at St Catherine's.**

**ADORATION: At St Patrick's on Tuesday at 8.30am and St Catherine's on Friday at 8.30am**

**NOVENAS: Novena prayers at St Pat's Tues St Anthony. Wed. Perp Succour and Thurs St Jude**

**SECOND COLLECTION: At both the Churches for flowers for Christmas**

**SACRED HEART & BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMPS LIST:** Please write the names of your loved ones on the Lists. A donation of £5.00 per slot.

**CHRISTMAS Masses: 24 Dec St Catherine's 4pm. St Patrick's 7pm 25 Dec. St Catherine's 9am St Pat's 11am.**

**N. B. Weekday Masses at St Patrick's (Tues/Wed/Thurs). St Catherine's Friday, will begin at 9am.**