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## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – 17<sup>th</sup> MAY, 2026 WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

**Collections:** 10.05.26: Offertory Env. £177.00, Loose Plate £136.00, Standing orders £611.00  
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	MASS TIMES	INTENTIONS	
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> May	SMC 06.00 pm	Vigil Mass <b>JIM HOLROYD</b>	
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> May	SMC 08.30 am	<b>ROSARY</b>	
	SMC 09.00 am*	Mass <b>DEREK SIGSTON</b>	
	SP 11.00 am*	Mass <b>JEAN SWEENEY</b>	
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> May	SMC 06.30 pm	Adoration	
	SMC 07.00 pm	Mass <b>LAPSED CATHOLICS</b>	
Tue 19 <sup>th</sup> May	SMC 09.30 am	Mass <b>DEREK SIGSTON</b>	
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> May	SP 09.30 am	Adoration	
	SP 10.00 am	Mass <b>DERRICK WATERWORTH</b>	
Thu 21 <sup>st</sup> May	SMC 09.30 am	Mass	
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	SMC 09.30 am*	Mass <b>DEREK SIGSTON</b>	
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	SMC 10.30 am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	

\*[All are invited for Tea/Coffee after Mass on Friday / Sunday]

**Sick & Housebound:** Catherine Conlin, Doreen Lancaster, Grace Mortimer, Kathleen Naylor, Kathy Gillard, Mark & Dinah Tyska, Malcolm Rowan, Peter Minns, Mia Grainger, Marilyn Furness, Sandra Rowan, Stephen Wright.

**Anniversaries:** Sheila Hawksby, Terence Wells, John Gilmartin, Nelly Yoward, Diane Horton, Patrick Corbett.

**Rosary:** During the month of May, the Rosary will be recited thirty minutes before each Mass at weekends. For Sunday mornings, this will be in lieu of Morning Prayer.

**Adoration and Evening Mass:** will be held Monday evening at 6:30 pm and 7 pm, respectively. May the Lord bless you as you come with your family and friends.

### PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER POPE LEO XIV FOR MAY 2026:

**Please pray for the following intention in May:** 'That everyone might have food' - Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

**Bereavement Support Group:** Our next get-together will be on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> May at 2 pm in the Meeting Room.

**Scarecrow Festival:** A big thank you to all who helped with refreshments and baked cakes for the scarecrow weekend. We made £354, which I will ask to be shared out between our monthly parish charities. Your help was much appreciated. Shirley.

**World Communications Sunday 16/17 May 2026** (Second Collection): This year Pope Leo has identified the theme: "**Preserving Human Voices and Faces**" above computers and AI. This collection is to support the work of the Catholic Communications Office ensure people, caring and safety online always come first and online risks are challenged.



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**Consultation on the future of the Dioceses of Leeds, Middlesbrough and Hallam:** As part of the consultation currently taking place across our three Dioceses, there is an opportunity for all clergy, religious and members of the lay faithful to contribute by completing an online questionnaire, either individually or as a parish group. Prayerful reflection should be given to the questions so that the Holy Spirit may guide this process of discernment. Prayer resources and a presentation are available on the diocesan website to support this process. Responses should be submitted no later than Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026. For more information and to complete the questionnaire, please visit:

<https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/leeds-middlesbrough-consultation-2026/>

**St Margaret Clitherow local meeting to discuss proposed 'merger':** You are invited to an in-person meeting to discuss and collect any outstanding contributions to the Consultation on the future of the Dioceses of Leeds, Middlesbrough and Hallam. The meeting will take place in the Meeting Room at St Margaret Clitherow on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30, following on from Rosary and tea/coffee that morning. Stephen Town will facilitate this meeting, and collect and communicate any views or suggestions onwards to the Diocese before the deadline of 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

**Ruby Jubilee:** As you know, this month marks the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of St Mary's Cathedral, our Ruby Jubilee. To mark this, we have planned a series of events throughout May, and we would love to welcome parishioners from across the Diocese to join us. Our **remaining** celebrations look like this:

- **On Saturday, 16 May at 7:30 pm**, we are hosting an evening of praise led by Jo Boyce and the CJM Music Collective. You may know Jo's work from Songs of Praise, the Birmingham Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage and her work to support schools. Again, we hope that as many clergy and people as possible from across the diocese will join us.
- **On Tuesday, 19 May at 7:00 pm**, we will show the hour-long broadcast film of the dedication of the Cathedral. This will be introduced by a small panel of those who played a part in the day. Further details of each event and tickets can be found here: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/middlesbroughcathedral> Thank you, as always, for your support. Canon Paul Farrer

**Pentecost Novena:** As we prepare to celebrate the great feast of Pentecost, all parishioners are warmly invited to take part in a novena, that began on Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> May and continues through to Pentecost. Each day, a video will be posted on the Diocese of Middlesbrough Adult Faith Formation Facebook page and on the @rcdmiddfaithformation Instagram account.

**Pentecost Celebration:** You are warmly invited to a Celebration of Pentecost, organised by Middlesbrough Charismatic Diocesan Service of Communion at Sacred Heart Church, Southcoates Lane, Hull HU9 3AP on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May from 10am until 4pm. There will be: praise and worship, talks and testimonies, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Sacrament of Reconciliation, prayer ministry and prayer for increase in the gifts of the Holy Spirit. No booking required. Lunch provided. A collection will be taken to cover cost of expenses. For more information, please contact Sharon on 07932420809 or Gerry on 078771185219 or email [cdsdmiddlesbrough@gmail.com](mailto:cdsdmiddlesbrough@gmail.com)

**HAPPY EASTER**