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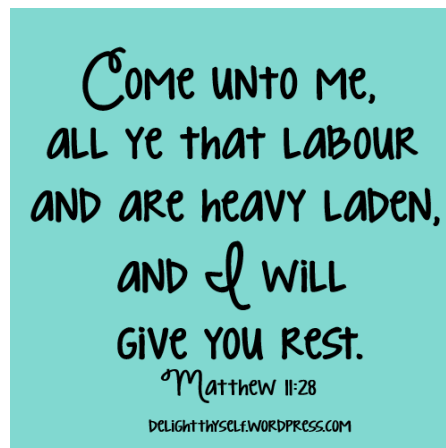
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## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – 5<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2026

**Collections:** 28.06.26: Offertory Env. £163.00, Loose Plate £144.00, Standing orders £611.00,  
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		MASS TIMES	INTENTIONS
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> July	SMC	11.00 am	<b>VOLUNTEERS MASS</b>
		05.45 pm	<b>EVENING PRAYER (VESPERS)</b>
		06.00 pm	Vigil Mass <b>THANKSGIVING FOR BLESSINGS BESTOWED</b>
Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> July	SMC	08.40 am	<b>MORNING PRAYER (LAUDS)</b>
		09.00 am*	Mass <b>KEN FORD</b>
	SP	11.00 am*	Mass <b>MARY Mc MONAGLE (BRIGG)</b>
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> July	SMC	06.30 pm	Adoration
		07.00 pm	Mass <b>VOCATIONS</b>
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> July	SMC	09.30 am	Mass
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> July	SP	10.00 am	Mass
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> July	SMC	09.30 am	Mass
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> July	SMC	09.30 am*	Mass
Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> July	SP	10.30 am	Sacrament of Reconciliation

**\*[All are invited for Tea/Coffee after Mass on Fridays & Sundays]**



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

**Anniversaries:** Freda Freer, Lena Curnow, Elizabeth Atkinson, Janet Gray, Francis Liddiard, Geoffrey Sweeney, Michael Hedley.

**Volunteers' Thank You Mass:** Join us for a heartfelt celebration of our volunteers with a Mass at 11 am on **this Saturday 4th July**. We warmly invite as many Parish members as possible to be part of this special occasion. After the service, enjoy some refreshments with us. We would love to see you there if you're available! The Diocese has asked for anyone working in the Parish, in however big or small a role, to expand their understanding of the safeguarding risks that can arise and how to address them. To meet this request, volunteers will be asked to spend five minutes reading a leaflet over coffee.

**Strawberries and Scones:** Children's Liturgy will be serving their annual Scones and Strawberries in the meeting room after Mass on **this Sunday 5th July**.

**New Safeguarding rules:** Set by the Middlesbrough Diocese state that all children, whatever their age, attending Children's Liturgy during Mass must be accompanied to the session by a parent or carer. Please speak to one of the team if you would like to discuss this further.

**Online Consultation On The Future Of The Dioceses Of Leeds, Middlesbrough And Hallam:** The period for individuals and parish groups to contribute to the online consultation has now concluded. We are grateful to all those in our parishes who took the time to prayerfully contribute to this consultation.

**Stella Maris Collections:** Sea Sunday will be celebrated on **July 11th and 12th this year. The theme for this special day is "Harbours of Hope: The Church Alongside Seafarers."** We invite you to join us in prayer for the wonderful work of 'Stella Maris' (formerly known as the Apostleship of the Sea), which is the official maritime charity of the Catholic Church. Seafarers and fishers are incredibly important to all of us, yet they often face challenging and dangerous working conditions. Your support truly makes a difference in the lives of seafarers and fishers in need. You can contribute in several ways: in church, online at [www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate](http://www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate), or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. Your generous gift helps Stella Maris continue its vital mission, so please consider giving what you can. Thank you for your support.

**Postgate Rally 2026:** The Annual Postgate Rally will take place on **Sunday, 12th July at Ugthorpe**. Hymns will be sung from 2:30 pm, and Holy Mass will begin at 3:00 pm. It is recommended to bring your own chair and a packed lunch.

**Mass for healing with Fr Dominique Minskip, Canon Michael Loughlin and Fr Jo Michael: Tuesday 28th July 2026, at 11:45 am** in the Chapel of the Bar Convent, 17 Blossom Street, York. For assistance or if you would like your name placed on the Altar during the Mass, please contact Fiona Hill at St Bede's Pastoral Centre. Email: [fiona@stbedes.org.uk](mailto:fiona@stbedes.org.uk). Phone: 01904 464900.

**Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley, 2026:** This year, the annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Grace, Osmotherley, DL6 3AP, will take place on **Sunday 16th August**. The Rosary will be prayed at 2:30pm, and the Bishop will preside at the Celebration of Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary at 3:00 pm.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham 2026:** The 2026 Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham will now take place on **Saturday, 26th September**. We will join pilgrims from the Diocese of Leeds. There will be a bus picking up from Saint Mary's Cathedral in Middlesbrough at 5:00am and York Train Station at 6:00am before heading to Walsingham. The cost will be £40 per person. For more information or to book onto this Pilgrimage, please contact Callum Walker, at the Curial Office via email [bishopsecretary@rcdmidd-org.uk](mailto:bishopsecretary@rcdmidd-org.uk) or telephone 01642 850505 ext 259.

**Consecration to the Ordo Virginum:** The consecration to the Ordo Virginum of Dr Emma Morrison will take place on **Saturday, 26th September at 12:00noon**. The Mass will be celebrated by the Right Reverend Terence Patrick Draney, Bishop Emeritus of Middlesbrough. All are welcome. Please keep Emma in your prayers as she prepares for her Consecration.

**Rooted and Rising Course: September 2026 to July 2028** at St Bede's Pastoral Centre, York and online. Running for 6 terms, each term consisting of 8 online **Thursday evenings, 7:00 pm–9.15 pm**, and an in-person **Saturday, 10:00 am–4:00 pm**. The course aims to support and nurture greater integration between our relationship with God, our relationship with self and our everyday lives. A typical session includes a short input on an aspect of prayer or faith development, a time for personal reflection and prayer, and a time for sharing in a small group. Materials for prayer and reflection are offered between sessions, and a short piece of reflective work is invited at the end of each term. Places are limited to 20, and the cost is £150 per term. Bursary support may be available. Please contact Fiona Hill for further information or visit our website to download information and an application form. Email: [fiona@stbedes.org.uk](mailto:fiona@stbedes.org.uk), Tel: 01904 464900, Web: [www.stbedes.org.uk](http://www.stbedes.org.uk)

**Divine Designs Between The Covers:** An ecumenical partnership between the Bishops' Conference 'God who Speaks' project, St John's Waterloo, and Art + Christianity, has made an open call for artists, graphic designers and illustrators from across the UK to design a cover for any of the 73 books of the Bible. Titled **'Divine Designs: Between the Covers'**, this art competition and exhibition celebrates creativity and innovation, and seeks to promote a greater visual awareness and understanding of the Bible today. "From cover to cover, we are celebrating the Bible," said Fleur Dorrell, Biblical Apostolate Manager for the Bishops' Conference. "In 73 books – from Genesis to Revelation – the Bible is the greatest story ever told. Our passion is to bring each book alive through the medium of art in this unique competition and exhibition." For more details and how to enter please visit 'Divine Designs' art competition calls for cover designs for the Bible's 73 books - Catholic Bishops' Conference.

**Assisted Suicide Bill:** As you may have learned from news reports, the MP for Rochester and Strood, Lauren Edwards, has announced that she intends to use her number two slot in the Private Members' Bill ballot to bring back Kim Leadbeater's assisted suicide Bill. It is important that all those who are opposed to the introduction of this legislation contact their local MP and ask that the Bill not be revived. As well as opposing the reintroduction of this Bill, it is important too to advocate support for the greater provision of palliative care. For more details, please visit <https://livinganddyingwell.org.uk/> and <https://righttolife.org.uk/>.

**Prayer intentions of the Holy Father Pope Leo XIV for July 2026: For respect for human life.**

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognising it as a gift from God.

**Papal Encyclical – Magnifica Humanitas:** The Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, released the first Papal Encyclical of his Pontificate on the **25th May**, named Magnifica Humanitas, which addresses the Church's social teaching in the light of artificial intelligence. I have enclosed a copy of the encyclical. The document, with supporting materials, can be downloaded from: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/magnifica-humanitas/> and from: <https://www.humandevlopment.va/en/magnifica-humanitas.html>.

**Items for publication** are most welcome and should reach [stmargaretclitherow@rcdmidd.org.uk](mailto:stmargaretclitherow@rcdmidd.org.uk) by 6.30pm on **Monday 13th July** for inclusion in the next edition.

**HAVE A BLESSED WEEK**