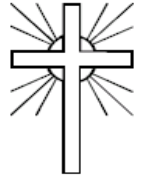


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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 2018

Sunday 7th January 2018

Keith Wright RIP – Please remember in your Masses and prayers Keith Wright who died this week. His funeral service will be on Friday at AS Church at 1.30pm. Our prayerful condolences go to his family. *May he rest in peace. Amen.* (FG)

PPC – I am very grateful to those members of the PPC who act as the parish finance committee, and my formal consultative body.

As you know they rotate after a period of 3 years. Andrea Stroger, Moira Hind and Peter Brown have all stepped down. Anthony Wright, Jenny Cieslik and Bernie Bowler have all stepped up. There are photos of the PPC on the notice board.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 31st January if you have anything at all that you would like to be discussed. Many thanks to you all. (FG)

Sick and Retired Priests Fund – Next weekend there will be a retiring collection for the sick and retired priests fund. Each parish was given a target, and if that wasn't reached it was added as an ongoing debt to that parish. Neither of our Parishes have reached our target so we still carry that debt.

I am grateful to Ann King (AS) and Paddy Campbell (SMC) for spearheading that campaign on our behalf. Please speak to them if you would like further details of how to contribute. Many thanks on behalf of all my sick and retired brothers in the ministerial Priesthood. (FG)

Tuesday 9th January is the anniversary of death of **Fr Fauvel Parish priest of Glossop** for 34 years, and who died in 1865.

He oversaw the extension of All Saints School, the building of All Saints Church, the building of the original St Mary's School (at a cost of £1300!) and the early dream of building St Mary Crowned Church. The Glossop parish stretched from the Woodhead to Marple Bridge and included Hadfield Mottram and Hollingworth.

There was great growth in the faith during this time, and Fr Fauvel administered the parish on foot/horseback. Upon his death Lord Howard famously named the road after him that led up to Glossop Hall. He is buried in Glossop cemetery. *May he rest in peace. Amen.* (FG)



The Epiphany of Our Lord is the solemn feast we are observing today. The word "epiphany" comes from the Greek *epiphainen*, a verb that means "to shine upon," "to manifest," or "to make known." Thus, the feast of the Epiphany celebrates the many ways that Christ has made Himself known to the world, mainly the three events that manifested the mission and divinity of Christ: the visit of the Magi (Matthew 2:1-12), the baptism of Jesus (Mark 1:9-11), and the miracle at Cana (John 2:1-11).

The visit of the Magi is emphasized on Epiphany Day, & Christ's baptism is celebrated the following Sunday.

Thoughts from today's Readings:

Gospel Reading: Matthew 2:1-12

The story is full of symbolism. The star is guidance for those seeking to find God - the "light" of today's first reading. The wise men come to Jerusalem in mistake for Bethlehem about five miles away. Jerusalem was God's dwelling place on earth, in the Temple on Mount Zion, but the babe is born in Bethlehem, as the prophet Micah had foretold.

Mary and the babe are in their home. Matthew says nothing of a stable, nor of Mary and Joseph coming from Nazareth. Only later, after the return from Egypt, does Nazareth become their home.

The Wise Men bring three gifts: gold, frankincense and myrrh. This is the fullness of today's first reading and Matthew is fulfilling Isaiah: we find a babe at Bethlehem, not Jerusalem, and see him as Saviour as well as God and King. © Watermead Apostolate

Parish Retreat Follow Up:

The next meeting will be on **Friday 12th January at 7.30pm** in St Mary's Parish Hall.

At the last meeting we followed Session Four on DVD "Unwrapping God's Gift". After Christmas we will complete the Programme by following the final two Sessions on the DVD, "A Personal Pentecost" and "Living In The Spirit". The Sessions are open to anyone who would like to attend. **All are welcome.**

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Our offerings last week:

	Loose	Envelopes	S/O	Total
All Saints	£146.42	£164.00	£120.00	£430.42
St Mary's	£205.00	£155.50	£261.00	£621.50

Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Rofas: Weekend of 13th / 14th January

Sacristans: All Saints, 6pm Sue O'C, 11am Ann & Len; St Mary's, Liz;

Welcomers: All Saints, 6pm Margot & Elaine, 11am Katie; St Mary's, Paddy & David H;

Ministers: All Saints, 6pm Peter G & Eileen, 11am Maddie & Peter B; St Mary's, Steve, Aidan & Rita;

Readers: All Saints, 6pm TBA, 11am TBA; St Mary's, Peter, Louise & Megan;

Bidding Prayers: Wynn (following week - Andrew)

Parish Notices:

The December stall in the Market Arcade raised £242.50 for the Restoration Fund, well done!!

Parish Diary - for the next few months:

10th March	Church Coffee Morning, Bradbury House
5th May	Church Coffee Morning, Bradbury House
23rd June	Brownies Coffee Morning, Bradbury House



The Epiphany – A Poem

It might have been just someone else's story,
 Some chosen people get a special king.
 We leave them to their own peculiar glory,
 We don't belong, it doesn't mean a thing.
 But when these three arrive they bring us with them,
 Gentiles like us, their wisdom might be ours;
 A steady step that finds an inner rhythm,
 A pilgrim's eye that sees beyond the stars.
 They did not know his name but still they sought him,
 They came from elsewhere but still they found;
 In temples they found those who sold and bought him,
 But in the filthy stable, hallowed ground.
*Their courage gives our questing hearts a voice
 To seek, to find, to worship, to rejoice.*

Author Unknown

Confessions: St Mary's – Saturday 10.15 – 10.45am All Saints - Saturday 5.15 – 5.45pm
Parish Mass Book: Sunday: **Gloria** p.9; **Readings**, p.115/8; **Creed** p.11; **Preface** p.67; **Eucharistic Prayer**, p.18

	All Saints	St Mary's
Saturday 6 th January	6.00 pm Vigil Mass People of the Parish	
Sunday 7 th January The Epiphany of the Lord, Solemnity Eucharistic Prayer: No: 1 (White)	11.00 am Mass Hastings & Tyrrell Families	9.30 am Mass Cynthia Warburton – Christmas Blessing
Monday 8 th January The Baptism of the Lord, Feast (White)	10.00 am Mass Ken Turner RIP Anniversary	
Tuesday 9 th January		No Service Today
Wednesday 10 th January Feria (Green)	10.00 am Mass Tony Payne RIP	
Thursday 11 th January Feria (Green)		10.00 am Mass Letecia Budlet RIP
Friday 12 th January St Aelred of Rievaulx (White)	10.00 am Mass Beaton – Thanksgiving for Special Favour 1.30 pm Funeral Service Keith Wright RIP	
Saturday 13 th January Saturday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary (White)	6.00 pm Vigil Mass Bernard & Dominic Rowbottom RIP	10.00 am Exposition/Confessions 10.45 am Benediction 11.00 am Mass Margaret Clarke – Christmas Blessing
Sunday 14 th January Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Eucharistic Prayer: No 2 (Green)	11.00 am Mass People of the Parish	9.30 am Mass Anne Walsh – Birthday Blessing