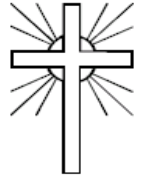


ALL SAINTS, OLD GLOSSOP, AND ST MARY CROWNED, GLOSSOP
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT 2019

Sunday 31st March 2019

PREPARING FOR A BAPTISM

Fr Martin writes, "The church wants parents to take their child's baptism seriously, and to approach the day of their child's baptism fully aware of the commitment they will be undertaking to bring up their child in the practice of the faith. **"The next course this year for people hoping to have a baby or infant baptised in Glossop parishes** will take place at All Saints on two Sunday afternoons, each time from 4.00pm until 5.30pm. Part One is on Sunday 28th April, and Part Two is on Sunday 12th May, God willing.

"The courses also help parents enjoy the day of their child's baptism more fully, because they know what to expect and have had a chance to reflect on the meaning behind the ceremonies of baptism. "Please pray for children soon to be baptised in our parish, and for their parents."

Please bring this information to the attention of anyone whom you think might be wishing to have a baby or infant baptised this year, and who might not see this newsletter; even if they have already made contact with Fr Greg or Fr Martin.

Calling Catechists:

Fr Martin writes, "I'd be very pleased to hear from any of our catechists who would like to help with preparing parents for the baptism of their child.

"Elsewhere in this week's newsletter you will find the announcement of the next course for baptism parents, and our catechists are warmly invited to come along to that course to share the experience of a group using the excellent resources that are now available. I hope that the experience will inspire one or more of our catechists to decide they want to participate in the wonderful privilege of helping parents prepare for the joyous day of their child's baptism."

CAFOD:

A huge THANK YOU for your very generous donations and community participation in the events during the Lent Fast period.

It was great to see so many people involved at the different events.

Soup Lunch - £81, St Patrick's Celebration - £520, Breakfast - £203.60, Fast Day envelopes - £435.26.

Total £1,239.86. A fantastic result!

Holy Week Mass and Service Arrangements:

Palm Sunday: 6pm at All Saints (AS), Vigil Mass, with simple entrance.

9.15am at St Mary Crowned (SMC), Day Mass, with solemn entrance.

11.15am at AS, Day Mass with procession.

3.00pm at AS, Reconciliation Service with three priests available to hear confessions.

Spy Wednesday: 11.30am at St Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham, the Chrism Mass.

Maunder Thursday: 7pm at AS, Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by watching before the Blessed Sacrament ending with Night Prayer at 9.30pm.

Good Friday:

3pm at SMC, Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion.

7pm at AS, Stations of the Cross.

Holy Saturday: 9pm at AS, the Easter Vigil.

Easter Sunday morning Masses to be celebrated at the usual times.

Thoughts from today's Gospel Reading, Lk 15:

Today's parable is the third in a cluster that Luke gives in chapter 15. The Lost Sheep and Drachma have prepared the way for this powerful drama.

The drachma and sheep are lost with no suggestion of fault on their part - it simply happens. Things get lost. The joy of the shepherd and of the woman become the teaching of the parables: but in the story of the Prodigal Son the being lost is deliberate, the joy of the father less easy to understand and the anger of the elder brother something with which to sympathise.

The parable tells a complicated story and the teaching is dense. We learn from all three characters, in contrast to the simple joy of the shepherd and the woman.

The parable is told on behalf of the tax collectors and sinners, but the audience is the Pharisees and Scribes - the learned and the clever, the religious authority. They might smile at the simplicity of lost sheep and drachmas but be startled by the complexity of prodigal son - good father - angry brother. The tax collectors and sinners see the truth more quickly than the religious, the Gospel says several times.

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Prayer Focus this week: Please pray for the Deanery meeting this week on Thursday.

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Our offerings last week:

	Loose	Envelopes	S/O	Total
All Saints	£88.26	£182.00	£120.00	£390.26
St Mary's	£181.94	£221.70	£261.00	£664.64

Thank you for your generosity.

Many thanks for your continued contribution to the sick and retired Priests fund.

All Saints £ 46.76; St Mary Crowned £8.81.

Parish Rotas: Weekend of 6th / 7th April

Sacristans: All Saints, 6pm Barbara W & Anna T; 11am Peter G; St Mary's, Liz;

Welcomers: All Saints, 6pm Trina; 11am Gemma; St Mary's, Sylvia D;

Ministers: All Saints, 6pm TBA; 11am TBA; St Mary's, Aidan, Steve & Jan;

Readers: All Saints, 6pm, Cath McM, 11am Natalie; SM: Mark, Sarah & Tony;

Bidding Prayers: Peter G (following week – Jim)

FOODBANK and CORNERSTONE KNITTING AND CLOTHES DONATION BOXES will be at the back of both churches during April and May.

Communion Antiphon:

RE-joice, Je - ru - sa - lem, * and all who love her.
 Be joy - ful, all who were in mourn - ing;
 ex - ult and be sat - is - fied at her con - sol - ing breast.

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Parish Diary - for the next few months:

April 2nd	Presentation Assoc's, 7.30pm, AS Parish Rm
May 4th	Coffee Morning at Bradbury House
June 15th	MISSIO Coffee Morning at Bradbury House
June 29th	Joint Garden Party at St Mary Crowned

'Easter Egg Hunt and Egg n Spoon Race':

This exciting event will take place after Mass at St Mary's on Easter Sunday; all are welcome to come and join in!!

Confessions: St Mary's – Saturday 10.05 – 10.45am All Saints - Saturday 5.15 – 5.45pm
Parish Mass Book: Sunday: **Gloria - ; Readings, p. 169; Creed p.11; Preface p. 70; Eucharistic. Prayer, p. 31**

			All Saints	St Mary's
Saturday	30 th	March	6.00 pm Vigil Mass Maureen Elliott RIP	
Sunday	31 st	March	11.15 am Mass People of the Parish	9.15 am Mass Mary Goodhind RIP
Monday	1 st	April	9.40 am Morning Prayers for Lent 10.00 am Mass Gerald Dwan RIP	
Tuesday	2 nd	April		9.40 am Morning Prayers for Lent 10.00 am Mass Welfare of Margaret Burke
Wednesday	3 rd	April	9.40 am Morning Prayers for Lent 10.00 am Mass Oliver RIP	
Thursday	4 th	April		8.55 am Morning Prayers for Lent 9.15 am Mass Welfare of Kathleen Cooper
Friday	5 th	April	9.40 am Morning Prayers for Lent 10.00 am Mass Peter Hodkinson RIP	7.00 pm Stations of the Cross
Saturday	6 th	April	6.00 pm Vigil Mass Doris Chipchase RIP	10.00 am Exposition & Confessions 10.45 am Benediction
Sunday	7 st	April	11.15 am Mass People of the Parish	9.15 am Mass Special Intention - Kathleen Cooper