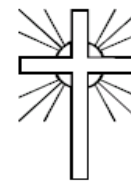


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Sunday 11th August 2019

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 a Glossop parish will take place at All Saints on two Sunday afternoons, each time from 4.00pm until 5.30pm.

Part One is on Sunday 22nd September, and Part Two is on Sunday 6th October, 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 parishes, 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 Martin.

World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2019

The 2019 World Day of Migrants and Refugees (WDMR) will be celebrated on Sunday 29th September and the theme this year is "It is not just about migrants". With this theme, Pope Francis wants to stimulate our prayer and action by reflecting on ways in which migrants, refugees, internally displaced persons (IDPs) and victims of human trafficking, can be understood as being part of a wider concern for all marginalised people. A copy of the Holy Father's Message can be found on the following link on the Vatican website at <https://tinyurl.com/migrants2019>

Altar Servers' Mass:

On Saturday 9th November Bishop Patrick will preside at the annual Diocesan Altar Servers Mass, for the Guild of St Stephen, at 11 am in the Cathedral of St Barnabas. After Mass in the Cathedral Hall there will be Refreshments and a time to socialise informally together.

Helping Hands: Need a lift to the shop or doctor? Help with shopping, light housework or gardening? Just a chat? **HELPING HANDS is here to help!**

Please put a slip in the white box at the back of the church.

Thoughts from today's Gospel, Lk 12:32-48

Chapter 12 is a blend of teachings about Christian discipleship. There is dialogue (a man in the crowd, St. Peter, implied questions) and there are parables, advice and warnings, reassurances and promises.

Just before today's reading Jesus has been warning against greed and the hoarding of riches, encouraging trust in God who holds all creation in a loving gaze.

The world is seen as God's gift: Divine Providence rules wisely and with love. In the light of what we know of our world, this is an idealised picture; we all know of plants and birds far better provided for than are millions of human beings.

Jesus seems to be saying that God's protective love is seen in the beauty of creation and that we, too, can share a beautiful world. The pagan may want to possess (v 30) but Christians can be fearless in sharing because we believe God will provide.

So, to today's reading.

We live full lives, aware of God's loving providence, sharing what we have, being kind to one another, guarding against evil, aware that we may deserve punishment if we fail in our duties towards others.

Differences of giftedness we all have, says the Gospel, and we ask God for the understanding of what we should share.

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Questions of Faith

The "Fear" of the Lord is best understood as "loving respect" and "awe", acknowledging the Lord's greatness and love.

Many passages in the Bible speak of people's being overwhelmed (not frightened) by their awareness of God, and Jesus invites us to call God "Abba" ("Daddy") - what Jewish children would call their fathers.

*To "learn the fear of the Lord"
is to grow in love and reverence.*

How sad that children are told of a fearful God.

God is love. "Because I love you I am afraid to hurt you" - the true meaning of fear in love.

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Parish events this week

SMC = St Mary Crowned Church AS = All Saints Church SMS = St Mary's School

Sat 10th August 6.00 pm AS Holy Mass (Claire Massey RIP (S.T.))

Sun 11th August Nineteenth Sunday of the year - Readings p. 121
 9.15 am SMC Holy Mass (Margaret Ridgway RIP)
 11.15 am AS Holy Mass (People of the Parish)

Mon 12th Aug St Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious
 10.00 am AS Holy Mass (Ernest Hall RIP)

Tues 13th Aug SS Pontian, Pope, & Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs
 10.00 am SMC Holy Mass (Doreen Leech – Birthday Blessing (Friends of SMC))

Weds 14th Aug St Maximilian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr
7.00 pm AS Holy Mass (Elizabeth Breen - Special Intention (AR))

Thurs 15th Aug The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Day of Obligation
 10.00 am SMC Holy Mass (Patrick Shanahan RIP)

Fri 16th August St Stephen of Hungary
 10.00 am AS Holy Mass (Mary Machin RIP)

Sat 17th August 10.00 am SMC Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation
 10.45 am SMC Benediction
 5.15–5.45pm AS Sacrament of Reconciliation
 6.00 pm AS Holy Mass (People of the Parish)
 10 am – 12 noon, Coffee Morning at Bradbury House

Sun 18th August Twentieth Sunday of the year - Readings p. 125
 9.15 am SMC Holy Mass (Eileen Tagg RIP (BE))
 11.15 am AS Holy Mass (Johnny Wilson – Canada - Healing)

Our offerings last week: *Thank you for your generosity.*

	Loose	Envelopes	S/O	Total
All Saints	£103.13	£674.10	£120.00	£897.23
St Mary's	£197.67	£200.50	£261.00	£659.17

Many thanks for your continued support for the Retired Priests' Fund: AS £30.35; SMC £22.65

Parish Rotas: Weekend of 17th / 18th August

Sacristans: All Saints, 6pm Barbara W; 11am Sandra & Natalie; St Mary's, Chris;
Welcomers: All Saints, 6pm Sue O'C; 11am Natalie & Tracey; St Mary's, TBA;
Ministers: All Saints, 6pm Joan H & Eileen; 11am Maddy & Peter B;
 St Mary's, Aidan, Rob & Vernon;
Readers: All Saints, 6pm, P Donald, 11am Val T; St Mary's, Louise, Sam & Wynn;
Bidding Prayers: Jim T (following week – Wynn)

All Saints Draw: The Winner of the July £100 Draw was John Logan.

On Thursday, we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Some thoughts for the week:

"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, and has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever."

In this song Mary considers herself part of the 'anawim', of the "poor of God", of those who "fear God" placing in Him all their trust and hope and who, on the human level, do not enjoy any right or prestige. Now, according to the Magnificat, the poor have a thousand reasons to rejoice, because God glorifies the 'anawim' and humbles the proud. Definitely, Mary celebrates all that God has done in her and all that He works in every creature. Joy and gratitude characterize this hymn of salvation which recognizes the greatness of God, but which also makes great the one who sings it.

Parish Diary - for the next few months:

September 14th	Coffee Morning at Bradbury House
November 2nd	Let's Act Drama Group: THE NEW PLAY at 6pm
November 3rd	Let's Act Drama Group: THE NEW PLAY Matinee at 3pm
November 23rd	Shared Christmas Fayre, St Mary's Hall

Coffee Morning – August 17th
 At Bradbury House, 10 – 12 noon.
 Please come along and, of course, bring CAKES for the stall!
 Thank you!