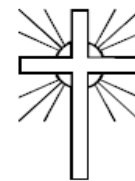


ALL SAINTS, OLD GLOSSOP, AND ST MARY CROWNED, GLOSSOP

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THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD 2020

Sunday 2nd February 2020

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 3.30pm until 5.00pm.

Part One is on Sunday 23rd February, and Part Two is on Sunday 8th March, 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.

God's Plan For You: It's Wild and Precious

Has the thought ever crossed your mind about becoming a Religious Sister or Brother? 'Come and Ask afternoons' at Our Lady and St Edwards Gordon Road, St. Ann's, Nottingham, NG3 2LG on 14th March 2020, 2.30-4.00pm. If further information is required contact; Sr Susan Richert religious@nrcdt.org.uk or The Nottingham Vocation team at nottinghamvocations@hotmail.co.uk

Bishop Patrick will be presiding to pray for the beatification of the Venerable Mary Potter at the Cathedral on Saturday 8th February at 11.30am. All are invited to this event. Light refreshments will be available in the hall following Mass.

Bishop Patrick was informed this week that Sister Carmel Fitzpatrick, of the Mercy Sisters in Derby, died peacefully this week. She died at Mount Carmel House, in the Mercy Care Centre. Sister Carmel spent most of her Religious Life in Derby. The Bishop asks that we pray now for the happy repose of her soul, as we keep her family and her Community in our prayers at this sad time.

Thoughts from today's Second Reading: Heb 2: 14-18:

A tradition dating from the 4th century assumes this letter to be by St. Paul. That seems unlikely.

Someone like Paul, longing to share faith in Christ with fellow Jews, is the author - and his Jewish understanding and waiting for the Messiah, now seen in Jesus, is the spirit of the Letter.

In today's reading he explains God's will to save the human race by a divine sharing in human nature; so the Son takes our flesh in order to deliver us from the bondage of sin and help us overcome our fears.

For people of the 1st century the misery of the human condition was to be in thrall to the power of evil spirits. Jesus is the priest whose compassion and goodness atone for our failings, and he offers himself to the Father on our behalf.

He lives our human life

so that we might share his divine life.

Thoughts from today's Gospel Reading: Lk 2: 22 - 40

There are two ceremonies in today's reading.

The first is Mary's purification, seven days after the birth of her son, and Jesus' circumcision on the eighth day after his birth.

Mary would have continued to be in seclusion a further thirty-three days, and then after forty days she would offer sacrifice as a sign of gratitude to God for her return to the community.

The second ceremony is quietly understood:

the buying back, the redeeming,

of the first-born son by the father.

The offering was five shekels because according to the law the first-born son belonged to God and needed to be bought back.

Simeon and Anna symbolise the longing of Israel for the Messiah and the joy of recognising that he has come.

Like the shepherds and the wise men

they recognise him even in a baby.

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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.

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Parish Events This Week

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

Sat 1st Feb	6.00 pm	AS	Holy Mass (Felir Magallano RIP)
Sun 2nd Feb	The Presentation of the Lord - Candlemas – Readings p. 300		
	9.15 am	SMC	Holy Mass (Anne Walsh – Birthday Blessing (DL))
	11.15 am	AS	Holy Mass (People of the Parish)
Mon 3rd Feb	St Blaise, Bishop & Martyr		
	11.00 am	SM	Requiem Mass (Loretta Haidash RIP)
Tues 4th Feb	St Gilbert of Sempringham, Religious		
	10.00 am	SMC	Service of Word & Holy Communion
	The Funeral Mass of Monsignor Canon Joseph Phelan takes place today, Tuesday, at Our Lady of Lourdes, Ashby-de-la-Zouch at 11am		
	Please pray for today's Sycamore Course Session		
Weds 5th Feb	St Agatha, Virgin & Martyr		
	10.00 am	AS	Holy Mass (Ken Brown RIP)
Thurs 6th Feb	St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs of Japan		
	9.00 am	SMC	Holy Mass (Cynthia Warburton – Christmas Blessing (BB))
	Please pray today for the Clergy of our Deanery		
Fri 7th Feb	10.00 am	AS	Holy Mass (J & F Roebuck – Wedding Anniversary)
Sat 8th Feb	10.00 am	SMC	Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation
	10.45 am	SMC	Benediction
	12 noon	SMC	Baptism of Teddy Michael Edwards
	6.00 pm	AS	Holy Mass (People of the Parish)
Sun 9th Feb	Fifth Sunday of the Year – Readings p. 133		
	9.15 am	SMC	Holy Mass (Philip Higgins – Anniversary RIP)
	11.15 am	AS	Holy Mass (Robert & Ellen Smith RIP)

Our offerings last week: Thank you for your generosity.

	Loose	Envelopes	S/O	Total
All Saints	£131.55	£146.00	£129.00	£406.55
St Mary's	£192.55	£154.00	£225.00	£571.55

Parish Diary for the next few months:

Feb 4th	Presentation Assoc's meeting at Monica's
Feb 23rd	Baptism Course, Part 1, AS, 3.30 – 5.00pm
March 7th	Coffee Morning at Bradbury House, 10-12
March 8th	Baptism Course, Part 2, AS, 3.30 – 5.00pm
March 14th	St Patrick's Celebration
March 22nd	Cafod Breakfast, 10.45am

Many thanks for your support for the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund: AS £ 33.95 ; SMC £8.35

Parish Rotas: Weekend of 8th / 9th February

Sacristans: All Saints, 6pm Sue O'C; 11.15am Peter G; St Mary's, Chris

Welcomers: All Saints, 6pm Trina; 11.15am Susan H; St Mary's, Anna & Jim;

Ministers: All Saints, 6pm Betty & Joan H; 11.15am Barbara & Ann; St Mary's, Joan, Doreen & Steve;

Readers: All Saints, 6pm, Peter B, 11.15am Chris; St Mary's, Sarah, Tony & Mark;

Bidding Prayers: Wynn (following week – Andrew)

St Mary's Presbytery Development – Church Toilet Facilities: The developers who have bought St. Mary's presbytery will be working on the ground floor corridor including the building of a new toilet for the use of church goers. While this work is in progress a temporary toilet will be found in the area between the presbytery and church close to the sacristy exterior door which will be accessible from the outside.

Coffee Morning:

Our next Coffee Morning to raise funds for our churches will be held at Bradbury House on Saturday 7th March, from 10am – 12 noon. Donations are needed for stalls, including Raffle Prizes, Tombola Prizes, Bric-a-Brac, Books, CDs, and as always, CAKES on the day. Please come along with your family and friends. Thank you!