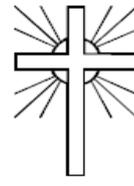


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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 2021

Sunday 9th May 2021

Complete the survey:

How has Covid-19 Affected You and Your Faith?

Bishop Patrick would like to hear from you! The Diocese of Nottingham has launched a short survey in order to deepen its understanding of Covid-19's impact on all Catholics across the diocese. Bishop Patrick is eager to know more about peoples' experiences of the pandemic, with a view to ensuring that the faithful are well supported and understood in the years ahead. Please visit <https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/whatson/news/share-your-story-how-has-covid-19-affected-you-and-your-faith> and fill out the short questionnaire. Please encourage other parishioners to do so. The deadline for submissions is July 4th 2021.

News from Saint Mary's School

Well, two weeks have passed in a blink of an eye and we have had a really good start to the Pentecost term. The weather has been fantastic, and it very much has been a case of the sun shining on Saint Mary's. Mrs Rudd has started preparing children in Years 3 and 4 for their Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion. Please keep the children in your prayers. There have also been a lot happening since we have returned from the Easter break including Science week, Change 4 Life week and the introduction of new and exciting after school clubs. Please see some highlights below.

Mural completion winners: We have won a national competition with Faber Publishers and the children's illustrator Chris Mould! The amazing prize is an Iron Man wall mural which will be created and installed by Chris himself. The mural will massively enhance our library area and encourage the children to read for pleasure. Iron Man by Ted Hughes is one of the quality texts enjoyed by Year 4 as part of their English curriculum. Huge thanks to Mrs Thorne-Marsh for entering us into the competition.

Science week: What a fantastic week we had bringing Science to life! All of the children enjoyed a Science workshop which was full of explosions and surprises! Throughout the week the children predicted, tested and recorded the results of their science experiments before coming to a conclusion.

Change 4 Life: Provided a really good opportunity for the pupils to explore and learn about important areas such as healthy eating, mental health and wellbeing and good dental hygiene. The week ended with all classes taking part in a virtual Yoga and Mindfulness session with High Peak Schools Sports

En Garde! Peak Active Sports delivered a new and exciting a fencing club for our Key Stage 2 children which was fabulously attended. The children loved it as shown by the quote from one of our Y6 pupils. "It's great to take part in a sport we don't usually see I know it is important to be active. It was lots of fun."

Prior to the Easter break the whole school took part in the CAFOD Lenten fundraiser- Walk for Water. The children donated money and took part in various water obstacle courses. In addition to generating money, of which we raised a magnificent **£176.60**, this also increased awareness and provided the children with an understanding of the struggle that children in other countries have to access clean water.

Mary Farmer also came into school to lead a whole school retreat focusing upon the events of Holy Week and the theme 'God is Love'. Throughout the week, Mary led retreat sessions with all year groups from Reception-Year 6. The children took part in a wide variety of activities, such as drama, reflection and art work to explore the theme of God's Love for us. The children gained a lot out of the week, and it really supported the wellbeing of our pupils, providing them with time to reflect and discuss their feelings. Mary was very impressed with Saint Mary's as a whole and particularly the children.

"As a guest here for the first time, I saw happy staff and children. The care you take in making sure everyone is valued and considered is evident." and *"The children have all been wonderful; beautifully behaved and friendly. The responses have been perfect and it has been a pleasure to spend these three days with you all as part of Holy week preparations."*

St Mary's Restoration - Update

The work at St Mary's is progressing well.

A lot of the loose plaster has now been dealt with and most areas of the church have had the first coat of paint. The rewiring is almost completed. Water ingress at the Lady Chapel meant further pointing work was needed around the bell tower, but this has been completed and the roofer can't see any other issues. The contractors are hopeful that the project will be completed by some time in July if all goes according to the schedule.

Photos of the restoration are regularly uploaded to the Glossop Catholics website if you would like to take a look.

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| The Week Ahead (ASC = All Saints Church, SMC = St Mary's Church, SMH = St Mary's Hall) | |
| Saturday 8th 6.00pm, | Easter Feria ASC Holy Mass (Vigil Mass) (People of the Parishes) - visit www.massbooking.uk or phone 07427 556088 to book a place |
| Sunday 9th 10.30am, | Sixth Sunday of Easter SMH Holy Mass (Anne-Marie Ross – 70 th Birthday Blessing (CSB)) - visit www.massbooking.uk or phone 07427 556088 to book a place |
| Monday 10th 10.00am, | Easter Feria ASC Holy Mass (Philip Hoath RIP (SM-F)) |
| Tuesday 11th | SS John Houghton, Robert Lawrence, Priests & Companions, the Martyrs of Nottinghamshire <i>Fr Martin will offer Holy Mass today for The Holy Souls</i> |
| Wed'sday 12th 10.00am, | SS Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs ASC Holy Mass (Mass of Thanksgiving (GR)) |
| Thursday 13th 10.00am, | The Ascension of The Lord ASC Holy Mass (Kenneth Binks RIP (L&IC)) |
| Friday 14th 10.00am, | St Matthias, Apostle ASC Holy Mass (Martin R RIP (Ann King's brother) (J&CB)) |
| Saturday 15th 10.00-10.30am, 6.00pm, | Easter Feria ASC Confessions , <i>Please come dressed for the weather as you may need to wait outside</i> ASC Holy Mass (Vigil Mass) (People of the Parishes) - visit www.massbooking.uk or phone 07427 556088 to book a place |
| Sunday 16th 10.30am, | Seventh Sunday of Easter SMH Holy Mass (Tom & Mary Broaders RIP - Birthday Memories (JR)) - visit www.massbooking.uk or phone 07427 556088 to book a place |
| This Sunday's Mass Readings are: Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Psalm 97: 1-4; 1 John 4: 7-10; John 15: 9-17 Thoughts from today's Gospel Reading John 15 : 9-17 Today's Gospel follows immediately after the Gospel proclaimed last week, in which Jesus taught that he was the vine and that his disciples were the branches. In the example of the vine and the branches, we learned that our union with Jesus will lead to fruitful service. Today's reading extends this teaching to describe the kind of service that Christians are called upon to offer to others. When John wrote this Gospel, his community was influenced by a set of religious beliefs called Gnosticism. It appears that one of John's intentions was to distinguish Christian belief from the beliefs held by the Gnostics. Evidence of this can be found in today's Gospel. One of the tenets of Gnostic teaching was the importance of knowledge, or <i>gnosis</i> , as the determining aspect of faith. We read today's Gospel as a response to this teaching. In John's Gospel, we hear Jesus affirm that he is known by the Father and that his disciples will know the Father by knowing Jesus. In this passage, however, Jesus reminds his disciples that this knowledge is to be expressed in love. Those who know Jesus well—and Jesus says that his disciples do know him—will love one another. Knowledge leads to love, which leads to action. John reminds his community that Jesus taught that love is the sign of a true disciple and, thus, a true Christian. Even more, a true disciple shows a particular kind of love, sacrificial love. The Word and the Common Good: You are invited to join Catholics from around the Diocese of Nottingham for an interactive online course over six Monday evenings in June and July. As life starts afresh after lockdown, it's a rare opportunity to sow seeds of the Gospel. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discover how Scripture and Catholic Social Teaching can help us seize this moment and build a society that reflects God's Kingdom • Build bridges following a year of social distancing and foster a new 'culture of encounter' • Form new friendships, renew old ones, and help to build our parish communities for mission. The sessions begin on Monday 7 June at 7.00 p.m. for six weeks. To find out more: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit dioceseofnottingham.uk/here-now-us and/or Join an Open Evening on Monday 17 May Glossop Rosary: We are continuing the Rosary on Monday 10 th May with the Joyful Mysteries. | |