

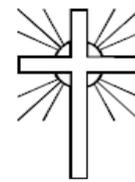


ALL SAINTS, OLD GLOSSOP, AND ST MARY CROWNED, GLOSSOP

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TWELFTH SUNDAY OF 2021

Sunday 20th June 2021

Day for Life: TODAY - Sunday, 20th June 2021

Day for Life is an annual celebration of the intrinsic value and dignity of every human person from conception to natural death, inaugurated by Saint John Paul II, it presents an opportunity to pray for the gift of life from conception to natural death, to raise awareness of the precious gift of life, and to support the work of protecting life in its most vulnerable stages through the annual collection. This assists pro-life organisations who raise awareness, engage in parliamentary work & pastoral outreach.

Global Pandemic: The fragility of life and the reality of death has been brought into sharp focus during the Covid-19 pandemic. In the UK alone, more than 127,000 people have died from Covid-19. Yet in the face of such suffering and death, we have also witnessed the extraordinary dedication of healthcare professionals and their loving care for the sick and dying. We too have each made sacrifices for the greater good during this pandemic. These acts of heroic love are a powerful testimony to the fundamental dignity of the human person and to the respect owed to each life, particularly through proper care and love in the last moments of life.

Assisted Dying: Against this backdrop of loving care, we are now faced with the very real threat of the legalisation of 'assisted suicide' in our country. It is not a question of 'if' this challenge will come, it is now a question of 'when?' There is now a Private Members Bill in the House of Lords on so-called 'Assisted Dying' and it is only a matter of time before the issue is back in the House of Commons.

This year's theme for *Day for Life* focuses on assisted suicide & the respect owed to life. Online resources inform Catholics about this threat to life and to share our response to the threat: a true compassion as the just response to the value of the human person.

Donate: *Day for Life* adds an authenticity to our witness to the dignity of life and this is enabled by the generosity of people in church supporting our work. In 2020, we were unable to hold our annual collection, and our funds are very much depleted and the threats to life have never been greater.

Day for Life is a simple, practical response which pushes back against 'the use and throwaway logic' often at the heart of a culture which seeks to abandon its elderly, sick and dying when 'they no longer serve our interests.' If you feel you can offer financial support, no matter how small, you can make a secure online donation at: **dayforlife.org**

Are you called?

The Vocations Team are holding their next Zoom café on Monday 12th July at 7 pm. This month's guest speaker is Maggie Mairura from Cafod who will be talking about how she lives her call today. If you would like to know more about Vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life and would like to meet the team please email Diane at:

vocationsadmin@dioceseofnottingham.uk for the Zoom link. A warm welcome awaits you.

Renewing the face of the Earth: A practical workshop for anyone interested in promoting care of Creation, on: **Tuesday 6 July, 7.00 - 8.30 p.m.**

When it comes to action on climate change, every parish is part of the 'race to net-zero'. Would you like to help our parish, diocese and the wider Church in taking up the environmental challenges of our time? Caritas is seeking to develop a network of parish representatives to help promote care for the environment across the diocese.

Join this conversational workshop on Zoom to explore what being a parish eco-representative could mean, and opportunities coming up this Autumn to enable the parish to 'preach Good News to all Creation'. Bookings must be made in advance: visit bit.ly/renewtheearth to register.

Drop-in testing in Glossop

A third of people with COVID-19 do not have any symptoms, meaning that they could be unwittingly passing on the virus to anyone they meet.

The community testing programme offers regular testing to those who are at most risk of passing on the virus: that's people who are still going out to work and spend time with colleagues or the public. The testing will identify people with COVID-19, enable support for those who have to self-isolate, and drive infection rates down further in the local area.

You don't need to book, just turn up at a time convenient to you. Our local testing centre is at the sports pitch next to the Army Cadet building on Fauvel Road, Glossop, SK13 7DW and is open Mondays to Fridays from 10am to 4pm until 25th June. It may be possible to see if there's a queue by visiting <https://tinyurl.com/fauveltest>.

Community testing is not for people who have coronavirus symptoms, and those people should instead book a test in the usual way.

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The Week Ahead (ASC = All Saints Church, SMC = St Mary's Church, SMH = St Mary's Hall)	
Saturday 19th 6.00pm,	Feria ASC Holy Mass (Vigil Mass) (Audrey & Bob Dewey RIP (BD)) - visit www.massbooking.uk or phone 07427 556088 to book a place
Sunday 20th 10.30am,	Twelfth Sunday of the Year SMH Holy Mass (People of the Parishes) - visit www.massbooking.uk or phone 07427 556088 to book a place
Monday 21st 10.00am,	St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious ASC Holy Mass (Margaret Biddle RIP (CMC))
Tuesday 22nd	SS John Fisher, Bishop, & Thomas More, Martyrs <i>Fr Martin will offer Holy Mass today for the Marriage Blessing of Nicoletta Ciaschi & Riccardo Rosati (DB)</i>
Wed'sday 23rd 10.00am,	St Etheldreda (Audrey), Virgin ASC Holy Mass (Marie Jubb – Anniversary RIP (Australia) (FJ))
Thursday 24th 10.00am,	The Nativity of St John the Baptist ASC Holy Mass (Mass of Healing Fatima Rita Vethanayagram (J&CB))
Friday 25th 10.00am,	Feria ASC Holy Mass (Liz Haslem – Anniversary RIP (BD))
Saturday 26th 10.00-10.30am, 6.00pm,	Feria ASC Confessions , <i>Please come dressed for the weather as you may need to wait outside</i> ASC Holy Mass (Vigil Mass) (Peter Mitcheson – Birthday Memories RIP (JB)) - visit www.massbooking.uk or phone 07427 556088 to book a place
Sunday 27th 10.30am,	Thirteenth Sunday of the Year SMH Holy Mass (People of the Parishes) - visit www.massbooking.uk or phone 07427 556088 to book a place
This Sunday's Mass Readings are: Job 38: 1, 8-11; Psalm 107: 23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31; 2 Cor 5: 14-17; Mk 4: 35-41 Thoughts from today's Gospel Reading: Mark 4: 35-41 Our reading today is taken from the Gospel of Mark, the primary Gospel reading in Lectionary Cycle B. Mark's Gospel presents a vivid portrait of Jesus, whose words and deeds show that he is the Son of God, and today's reading describes the end of a day of teaching in Jesus' ministry. Jesus taught the crowd in parables and then offered explanations of these parables to his disciples. Jesus then led his disciples away from the crowds and into the boats that they will use to cross the Sea of Galilee. The sea and its surrounding area are the settings for Jesus' teachings and miracles in this part of Mark's Gospel. Today's reading describes how Jesus calmed a storm at sea. It is the first of four miracles that are presented in sequence at this point in Mark's Gospel. Jesus' disciples are frightened by the sudden storm; they do little to inspire confidence in the reader. Mark notes the contrast between the disciples' terror and Jesus' peace. Jesus is sleeping, untroubled by what is going on around him. The disciples' words to Jesus are telling. They are familiar enough with Jesus to dare to wake him. Their words to him are words of reproach, questioning his care for them. A careful reader might wonder what the disciples expected Jesus to do. Are they more troubled by the storm or by Jesus' inattentiveness to their needs? How many of us have chided a family member or friend for not agreeing with our assessment of the severity of a situation? This Gospel offers evidence of Jesus' power and authority as he calms the storm. In his day, power over nature was believed to be a sign of divinity—only God calms storms. Jesus' rebuke of the storm also echoes the rebuke he uses when he talks to and expels demons. In each situation, Jesus' power and authority is a sign of his divinity. Indeed, the disciples are left wondering about Jesus' identity. They see before them a human being who acts with the authority and power of God. The disciples' uncertainty about Jesus' identity is a recurring theme in Mark's Gospel. <i>This Gospel is a metaphor for our lives. We are in the boat, the storms of life are raging around us, and like the disciples, we may believe that Jesus is unconcerned, or "sleeping."</i> We hope that we will be as familiar with Jesus as his disciples. If we feel that Jesus is sleeping, are we comfortable enough to wake Jesus and present him with our needs? Jesus does not chide his disciples for waking him. Instead he chides them for their lack of faith, for their lack of perspective. When we bring our worries to God in prayer, we might just begin to learn to see things from God's perspective. © Loyola Press GLOSSOP ROSARY. We are continuing the Rosary on Monday 21st June with the Sorrowful Mysteries.	