

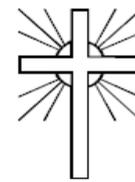


ALL SAINTS, OLD GLOSSOP, AND ST MARY CROWNED, GLOSSOP

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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF 2021

Sunday 1st August 2021

St Mary Crowned to welcome Bishop Patrick

Fr Martin writes,

Here's a date for your diary: 7pm on 7th September, the Eve of Our Lady's Birthday. Bishop Patrick will be coming to celebrate Holy Mass for Our Lady's feast at St Mary Crowned Church, in its (by then) repaired and redecorated glory! I'm delighted that Bishop Patrick accepted our invitation to celebrate with us, and I'm delighted, too, that Father Greg has also accepted our invitation to be one of the concelebrants.

We are still fundraising for the second phase of the work, to add two lavatories and an enclosed area for refreshments, both of them to be situated at the end of the church furthest from the altar.

Cheques towards the improvements can be made payable to *St Mary RC Glossop RCP* and sent to Glossop Catholic Parishes, Royle House, Church Street, Glossop SK13 7RJ. One kind anonymous donor has already given £5,000, as reported in last week's newsletter. The need to perform the work to the standards necessary in a listed building means that this second phase is expected to cost somewhere between £40,000 and £60,000.

Once both phases of the work have been completed, we'll arrange another celebration and invite people from our schools, and from other local churches, as well as neighbours of the church and civic dignitaries. We might even be able to get Bishop Patrick and Father Greg to return for that celebration too!

End of School Year News from St Philip Howard Catholic Voluntary Academy

In the last few weeks of Term, Team SPH have been focusing on providing Students with the best end of term yet! With the many challenges posed this year, we didn't want our Students to miss out on any of the usual activities that bring us together as a school community and help us to celebrate the many achievements and talents our children have to offer.

Such events have included:

Sports Days: Sports Days have taken part for all Year groups where each Year group has taken part in a range of sporting activities, competing against their own year group.

Charity events: A non-uniform day to raise money for the local charity 'Glossop Arts Project' where we raised over £300.

Developing our Ethos: The last couple of weeks, we set a poster competition to promote our Mission Statement and created a video to celebrate our Mission. (Both will appear on our website in September).

#TeamSPH: Together on the Journey

Together, we will make the SPH journey: safely, respectfully and with kindness as part of a **united Catholic family**.

God will be at the heart of our journey, supporting us to realise the potential of our **God given talents**.

Our Gospel Values will guide us on our journey, helping us to make **brave choices** along the way.

Respect for all will be at the spirit of our journey and we will **embrace the uniqueness** of everyone we greet.

Inspiration and passion for learning will lead us all to have a **memorable and successful** journey.

'Stronger Together' Day: This week, we completed our whole school 'Stronger Together' Day and Liturgy. Throughout this day, Students engaged in a range of activities across all different subject areas to demonstrate their skills and talents. The day was an opportunity to celebrate working collaboratively and be creative.

Some of the activities included writing a 'Stronger Together' Prayer in RE, painting a 'Stronger Together' wall display about what English means to all at SPH, as well as building bridges in Science.

Awards: Over 200 Students have been awarded for their efforts and hard work throughout this term and the year as a whole with awards called 'Half-term Heroes', 'Champions of the Year' and 'Stronger Together Superstars'.

We have celebrated our former Head Girl winning the St Ralph Sherwin Award with Bishop Patrick.

Collective Worship: Finally, Students led our whole school Liturgy for the Stronger Together day this week with a range of bidding prayers for what we are truly grateful for and how we are appreciative of our team spirit and togetherness.

We look forward to updating you with more SPH news in September!

GLOSSOP ROSARY. We are continuing the Rosary on **Monday 2nd August** with the Joyful Mysteries.

Dementia Friendly Walk and Talk

August 6th, at 10:30am at Manor Park, meet at duck pond by car park.

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The Week Ahead (ASC = All Saints Church, SMH = St Mary's Hall, SMS = St Mary's School)	
Saturday 31st 6.00pm,	St Ignatius Loyola, Priest ASC Holy Mass (Vigil Mass) (The People of the Parishes)
Sunday 1st 10.30am,	Eighteenth Sunday of the Year SMH Holy Mass (Margaret Burke – Birthday Blessing (PT))
Monday 2nd 10.00am,	St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop ASC Holy Mass (Peter Mitcheson RIP - First Anniversary (SM))
Tuesday 3rd	Feria <i>Fr Martin will offer Holy Mass today for a Special Intention (JJ)</i>
Wed'sday 4th 10.30am,	St John Vianney, Priest ASC, Funeral of Michael Reddy RIP
Thursday 5th 10.00am,	Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major ASC Holy Mass (Julie Fowler RIP (J&CB))
Friday 6th 10.00am,	The Transfiguration of the Lord ASC Holy Mass (Giuffrioa – Antony RIP (MB))
Saturday 7th 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) (Patrick Shanahan RIP (GS))
Sunday 8th 10.30am,	Nineteenth Sunday of the Year SMH Holy Mass (The People of the Parishes)
This Sunday's Mass Readings: Exodus 16: 2-4, 12-15; Psalm 78: 3-4, 23-24, 25, 54; Eph 4: 17, 20-24; Jn 6: 24-35 A Message from Sue O'Connor: Parishioners will remember fondly Fr Vincent Kanyankole from Jinja, Uganda, who came twice to our Parish to cover for Fr Greg. Fr Vincent looks after more than twenty orphans and usually raises money for their keep and their school fees by covering for several Priests in the Diocese. This hasn't been possible for two summers because of the pandemic and the situation in Jinja is very difficult with sickness, food shortages and people unable to work and Fr Vincent is constantly called upon for help. Covid is spreading rapidly and so far less than 0.1% of the population of Uganda has been vaccinated. If anyone would like to help please contact me for Fr Vincent's bank details.	
Thoughts from today's Gospel Reading: John 6:24-35 In today's Gospel, we learn that the crowd has noticed the departure of Jesus and his disciples and so seeks them out in Capernaum. In the dialogue that follows between Jesus and the crowds, Jesus unfolds for us the gift of himself that that he gives in the Eucharist. There are four exchanges between Jesus and the crowd. In the first, the crowd, having followed Jesus to Capernaum, asks a very matter of fact question: "Rabbi, when did you get here?" Jesus replies by naming their motivation in pursuing him. They have been fed. Jesus acknowledges this, yet challenges them to see beyond the fulfilment of their material needs. The crowds have followed Jesus because they have been fed. They ought to be seeking out Jesus because he can give them eternal life. In the second dialogue, it seems that the crowd might be on their way to accepting Jesus and his mission, they ask: "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" Jesus replies that they must have faith in the one sent from God. But in the third dialogue, the crowd reveals their inability to see Jesus' true identity. They ask for a sign so that they might know that Jesus is from God. How strange this sounds since Jesus has just fed more than 5000 people. What more is expected? But the crowd cannot see beyond the surface of the sign. They show this in their interpretation of the sign that came from Moses. In their description, they identify Jesus with Moses, as if to say, as Moses gave the people manna in the desert, give us a sign so that we will know that you are from God. They are looking to identify a prophet without realizing that God is standing before them. Jesus corrects their misinterpretation, saying that the manna came from God. As God fulfilled their ancestors' needs in the desert, so God has provided them with food for eternal life. In the bread that they have received from Jesus, they have received physical nourishment and also spiritual nourishment. Jesus wants the crowd to see beyond the surface to the One who provides true nourishment. The conclusion of the dialogue reveals the crowd's blindness. They ask for what Jesus has just told them they have found: "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus answers plainly that he himself is the Bread of Life they seek. Jesus himself is the Bread of Life who will satisfy every hunger and thirst. This is the first of several such statements found in John's Gospel. We understand these better when we remember that God revealed his name to the people of Israel as "I am," as Yahweh. Jesus now claims this name for himself. © Loyola Press	