

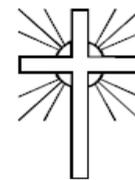


ALL SAINTS, OLD GLOSSOP, AND ST MARY CROWNED, GLOSSOP

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THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 2021

Sunday 15th August 2021

Fr Martin writes,

The family of the late Jean Mannion (may she rest in peace) generously decided to invite, in lieu of flowers for Jean's funeral, donations towards the work at St Mary Crowned.

Last week they delivered to the parish the fruits of that decision. Thanks to the kindness of those who contributed in Jean's memory, £395 was received to go towards the repairs. May God bless all those who made a contribution in memory of Jean.

Fr Martin writes,

It was a joy to hear last week from the Maintenance Committee that the work at St Mary Crowned on track for the celebration of Holy Mass at 7pm on 7th September, when Bishop Patrick and Fr Greg will join us to celebrate the eve of Our Lady's Birthday, and, better still, they are confident that we will be able to begin using the church for Holy Mass on Sunday 5th September.

So, from that date, we will return to our standard timetable for Sundays, with Holy Mass at St Mary Crowned at 9.15am, and at All Saints at 11.15am.

Thanks to everyone who is working so hard on this project, not least those whose generosity has raised—and continues to raise—the funds to pay for the repairs and improvements.

Phase two 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, with the work meeting the standards necessary in a listed building, is expected to cost somewhere between £40,000 and £60,000.

Cheques towards the repairs and improvements can be made payable to St Mary RC Glossop RCP and sent to Glossop Catholic Parishes, Royle House, Church Street, Glossop SK13 7RJ.

Diocesan Altar Servers Mass: At 11.00am, Saturday 4th September, at the Cathedral of St. Barnabas, Nottingham. As servers across the country begin to return to the sanctuary the Guild of St Stephen invites all Altar Servers in our diocese to come and serve Mass with Bishop Patrick in celebration and thanksgiving for our ministry as Altar Servers. Please bring your own alb/cassock & cotta to vest ready for 10.30am. We look forward to seeing you there.

Thoughts from today's Gospel Reading: Luke 1:39-56

In the Gospel account of the Visitation, Luke presents Mary as the first to hear the good news of Jesus and to accept it – she is the first and model disciple. Having said her 'Yes' to God's invitation, Mary immediately participates in the plan of God by hurrying to see her cousin Elizabeth. In the meeting between these two women the plan of God is revealed and *felt* in humanity, quite literally as the child leaps in Elizabeth's womb and Elizabeth recognises and responds with blessing and acceptance to the presence of the Messiah, as she says, 'the mother of my Lord'.

Mary receives the blessing of Elizabeth and immediately sings her own song of blessing in the familiar verses of the Magnificat.

In the first part of the Magnificat, Mary acknowledges all that God has done for her in asking her to be the mother of Jesus; 'God has looked on my lowliness ... all generations will call me blessed'. She reflects the great joy of discipleship and of the invitation to respond to God in our lives.

In the second half of the Magnificat, we see a shift of focus. The ordinary woman, Mary, called and responding to God, sings of what God *will* do, and is doing, for the world, through her 'Yes'. God 'has put down the mighty', 'raised the lowly', 'routed the proud', 'filled the starving'. Mary's song of praise reveals Christ to us and points the way.

At the end of today's Gospel text, we have the beautiful simple line 'Mary stayed about three months and then went back home.'

All of this revelation, all the excitement of listening to God's will, all her obedience to it, all the recognition of the tremendous grace and gift of God in her life, now has to be lived in reality.

Mary goes back home and gets on with the living of God's call in her life. May we be like Mary, open and cooperative in God's plan of salvation.

Cycle of Prayer for the Summer:

During the period of Ordinary Time this summer we pray for: A deeper understanding between Christians and Jews; Those who suffer Persecution, Oppression, and Denial of Human Rights; Europe; Human Life; and Seafarers.

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The Week Ahead (ASC = All Saints Church, SMH = St Mary's Hall, SMS = St Mary's School)

Saturday 14th 6.00pm,	St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, Priest & Martyr ASC Holy Mass (Vigil Mass) (The People of the Parishes)
Sunday 15th 10.30am,	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary SMH Holy Mass (Barbara Burns – Birthday Blessing (CW))
Monday 16th 10.00am,	St Stephen of Hungary ASC Holy Mass (Mary Machin – Birthday Memories RIP (JR))
Tuesday 17th	Feria <i>Fr Martin will offer Holy Mass today for his deceased relatives, friends and benefactors, RIP</i>
Wed'sday 18th 10.00am,	Feria ASC Holy Mass (Margaret Maloney – Birthday Blessing (JR))
Thursday 19th 10.00am,	St John Eudes, Priest ASC Holy Mass (Patrick Shanahan RIP (GS))
Friday 20th 10.00am,	St Bernard, Abbot & Doctor ASC Holy Mass (Kathleen Cooper RIP (CW&SH))
Saturday 21st 10.00-10.30am, 6.00pm,	St Pius X, Pope ASC Confessions , <i>Please come dressed for the weather as you may need to wait outside</i> ASC Holy Mass (Vigil Mass) (The People of the Parishes)
Sunday 22nd 10.30am,	Twenty-First Sunday of the Year SMH Holy Mass (Kathleen Cooper RIP (AW&LW))

This Sunday's Mass Readings: Rev 11: 19 – 12: 1-6, 10; Psalm 45: 10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15: 20-27; Lk 1: 39-56

HELPING HANDS: During the pandemic, 'Helping Hands' has responded to requests for help with shopping and prescription collection as well as other requests. Drivers and shoppers are available to help those who are unable to leave the house. **CONTACT:** Wynne or Rob

10th Anniversary of the Syrian conflict – how your CAFOD donations have helped the Syrian people

"Thanks to your donations, CAFOD has been helping people in Syria since the crisis began 10 years ago. Over 12 million people have left their homes, 5.6 million are refugees in neighbouring countries and within Syria, 13 million people need help. At the beginning, our focus was on delivering food and blankets through our local church partners. Then we started providing education, health and legal services, and helping people earn a living. Our latest projects are supporting children, lonely elderly people, helping women learn to read, and helping people restart their small businesses. We've always planned for the long term, standing alongside people who lost everything. None of this work would have been possible without your support of CAFOD."

Please continue to keep the people of Syria and all those displaced and seeking refuge due to conflict in your prayers.

Action Fraud has received over 700 reports from members of the public about fake emails purporting to be from the NHS. The emails claim to be able to provide people with a "digital passport" that "proves you have been vaccinated against COVID-19". These emails are fake, and the links within them lead to genuine-looking websites that steal your personal and financial information.

How to protect yourself: In the UK, coronavirus vaccines will only be available via the National Health Services of England, Northern Ireland, Wales and Scotland. You can be contacted by the NHS, your employer, a GP surgery or pharmacy local to you, to receive your vaccine. Remember, **the vaccine is free of charge**. At no point will you be asked to pay or provide any identification or bank details. Your vaccination status can be obtained for free through the official NHS app, NHS website, or by calling the NHS on 119.

GLOSSOP ROSARY: We are continuing the Rosary on **Monday 16th August** with the Sorrowful Mysteries.

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