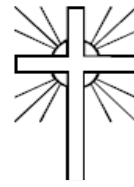


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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD 2022

Sunday 9th January 2022

Fr Martin writes, RIP

Our prayers are asked for the repose of the soul of Maria Zberowski, who died recently. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Mrs Zberowski's funeral will be celebrated, God willing, at Dukinfield Cemetery Chapel on Wednesday 26th January.

National Day of Prayer & Fasting for Life:

Wednesday 12th January.

This coming Wednesday, 12th January, is the 25th Anniversary of 'The Good Counsel Network'. We are all asked to pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia on the eve of the anniversary.

We could say a decade of the rosary, or go to an extra Mass; we could fast from all food, or just from a particular food or luxury, or make another sacrifice.

More information about the network can be found at: www.goodcounselnetwork.com

Next Sunday, 16th January, is PEACE SUNDAY

This year Pope Francis asks us to think about 'Education, work and dialogue between generations: tools for building lasting peace'. The need for peace in the world is obvious. People are struggling against violence and conflict, growing inequalities, the effects of climate change and the covid pandemic. How can we harness the gifts and energy of all generations in the work of peace making? Which 'tools for building lasting peace' do you think Pope Francis might be talking about?

In this country we have an active Catholic peace movement in **Pax Christi**, which does a great deal of good work to promote peace and nonviolence through parishes, schools and social media. Their website suggests many ways we can all become better peacemakers. There are activities for families to do at home, including a peace liturgy for children at: <https://paxchristi.org.uk/peace-sunday-2022>

Pax Christi needs our support to keep going. If you'd like to make a donation, small or large, here is the link: <https://tinyurl.com/yxfcw67x>

Or send a cheque payable to 'Pax Christi' to: Pax Christi, St Joseph's, Watford Way, London NW4 4TY

Confessions:

Now that the New Year has begun, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated again weekly.

The venue will alternate each week between our two churches; next Saturday, 15th January, confessions will be at St Mary's Church from 10.00am - 10.30am.

GLOSSOP ROSARY: We are continuing the Rosary on Monday 10th January with the Glorious Mysteries.

Thoughts on today's Gospel Reading: Lk 3:15-16,21-22

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In today's Gospel, as in the other Gospel accounts of Jesus' baptism, we hear John the Baptist address the confusion of the people who thought that John might be the Messiah.

In response, John contrasts the baptism that he performs with the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that someone will come and baptize with the Holy Spirit.

The type of baptism that John performed was not yet a Christian Baptism; it was a preparation for Christian Baptism through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received.

The baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Clearly, it was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community.

The Evangelists Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. Compare this to Matthew's Gospel in which the voice from heaven speaks to everyone.

In Luke, however, the Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus during his time of prayer after his baptism. Through his Gospel, Luke will show Jesus to be a person of prayer who withdraws regularly from the crowds and his disciples to pray to his Father.

The baptism of Jesus is considered a manifestation of God in Jesus, another "epiphany."

On this, the last day of the Christmas season, our Gospel reveals to us Jesus' relation to God: the son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son.

In Luke's Gospel, all three members of the Trinity are manifested here: God the Father in the voice, the Holy Spirit descending, and Jesus the Son.

At the beginning of his Gospel, Luke is communicating to us important information about the identity of Jesus. In the verses that follow, Luke lists the genealogy of Jesus, tracing Jesus' ancestry back to the first person,

Adam, who is also identified as the son of God. We, the children of Adam and Eve, are again made children of God through Baptism.

one finds the peace of which the angels sing.

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

Parish Mass Book: This weekend's Readings: p.119, Gloria p. 9, Creed p.12

Saturday 8th 6.00pm,	Saturday after the Epiphany ASC Holy Mass (Vigil Mass) (Ursula Stokes RIP)
Sunday 9th 9.15am, 11.15am,	The Baptism of the Lord - Feast SMC Holy Mass (Barbara Burns – Christmas Blessing (CW)) ASC Holy Mass (The People of the Parishes)
Monday 10th 10.00am,	Feria ASC Holy Mass (Fr John Cairns RIP)
Tuesday 11th	Feria <i>Fr Martin will offer Holy Mass today for Margaret Elliott RIP</i>
Wednesday 12th 10.00am,	St Aelred of Rievaulx, Religious ASC Holy Mass (Anne Walsh – Birthday Blessing (CB))
Thursday 13th 9.00am,	St Hilary, Bishop & Doctor SMC Holy Mass (Don & Rosaleen McLeish – Christmas Blessing (BB)) <i>Please pray for today's Day of Recollection for Priests</i>
Friday 14th 10.00am, 7.00-8.00pm,	Feria SMC Holy Mass (Anne Walsh – Birthday Blessing (PT)) SMH Prayer Group
Saturday 15th 10.00-10.30am, 6.00pm,	Feria SMC Confessions , <i>Please come dressed for the weather as you may need to wait outside</i> ASC Holy Mass (Vigil Mass) (Marianne O'Kane – Special Intention (OB))
Sunday 16th 9.15am, 11.15am,	Second Sunday of 2022 SMC Holy Mass (Margaret Clarke – Special Intention (CW)) ASC Holy Mass (The People of the Parishes)

News from the Diocese:

The diocese of Nottingham publishes a twice monthly e-magazine 'grapevine' with articles and news of meetings and courses. If you would like to browse this magazine then go to:

<https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/whats-on/grapevine-e-bulletin>

Articles in the most recent publication include:

- Finding Faith in Tax Justice: 17 January 2022
- Ecological works of mercy, with Fr Patrick Bassey
- Synod: online event for young people, their families and friends
- Experiences of Islamophobia in Nottingham
- Help shape Caritas through 2022

Job Opportunity: Centre Manager at New Mills Volunteer Centre

Applications are invited for the post of NMVC Centre Manager, Location: New Mills & District Volunteer Centre
Salary: £30,576 pro rata (actual £24,461), Appointment type: Permanent, Hours: 30, 5 days a week

PRINCIPLE PURPOSE:

To be responsible for the effective day to day running of the Centre, and its staff, in line with the needs of the client base. To promote the future development of the Centre. To represent the Centre and promote its best interests when dealing with funders, local businesses, and organisations. To generate income.

To provide advice and support to the Board of Trustees. Closing Date 9am 17th January 2022

Further information available at: <https://www.nmvc.org/job/centre-manager/>

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,

All Saints Draw: The winner of the £100 draw for December was A Wright, number 23.