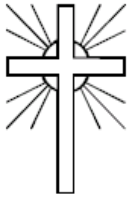


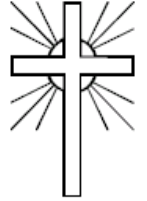
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TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY OF 2023 – 27th AUGUST

Father Martin and the Core Leadership Team write:

We hope to make our welcome at Holy Mass more personal and get to know more people's names; next week at Holy Mass once again you will be invited to write your name on a label. We are also asking that you pray for one of the parishioners during Holy Mass. We will aim to continue this at the First Sunday in every month.

Sycamore Planning Meeting

Sycamore is a series of informal sessions about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today. The sessions are free and give you the space to meet other people, share ideas, explore your beliefs, and think about questions that really matter.

Each session will start with breakfast, and will involve a short film and time for discussion.

The Sycamore sessions will be running on Saturday mornings, from 10am – 12noon, in St Mary's Hall on St Mary's Road, and will begin on Saturday September 23rd.

There will be a planning meeting on Saturday 9th September, from 11am – 12.30pm in St Mary's Hall, for anyone who is interested in helping with the sessions.

Deacon Owen Le Blanc writes,

A group of people from different churches would like to learn to read the New Testament in Greek. We plan to meet at All Saints Catholic Church, Church St, Glossop on September 4th and 25th at 7.00pm; the time and place may change later if there is more interest.

We shall be using Dobson's Learn New Testament Greek, 3rd edition. A digital copy is available free of charge, or a hard copy for about £15. If you are interested and would like to join the group or find out more please contact Deacon Owen.

During autumn, our bishops invite us to join them in praying for:

Students and Teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; The Harvest; The Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.

Thoughts on today's Gospel Reading, Mt 16:13-20

It is important to read today's Gospel and next week's Gospel as two parts of a single story. These readings are a turning point in Matthew's Gospel. This week we hear Jesus name Simon Peter as the rock upon which he will build his Church. Next week we will hear Jesus call this same Simon Peter "Satan" when he reacts negatively to Jesus' prediction about his passion and death.

Today, Jesus asks his disciples what people are saying about his identity. The disciples indicate that most people believe that Jesus is a prophet of Israel. Then Jesus asks his disciples who they believe that he is. Simon Peter answers, identifying Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God. Jesus commends Simon Peter for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the "rock" upon which Jesus will build the Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for "rock." Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader. In today's Gospel, Peter's recognition of Jesus' identity is credited to a revelation by God. This will contrast sharply with Jesus' rebuke of Peter in next week's Gospel.

When Peter rejects Jesus' prediction of his passion and death, Peter is said to no longer be thinking as God does but as humans do. The use of the term *church* in today's Gospel is one of only three such occurrences in Matthew's Gospel. Peter in this Gospel is being credited as the foundation for the Church, a privilege granted to him because of his recognition of Jesus' identity. The Church continues to be grounded in the faith that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Joint Coffee Morning:

On Saturday 16th September, at Bradbury House, from 10am - 12noon. The stalls will include: Café, Cakes, Raffle, Bric-a-Brac, Tombola, Books, Knitted baby clothes; donations are requested for the Raffle and other stalls please, raffle prizes to Margaret Maloney (ASC) or Liz Nash (SMC); also, offers of help on the day will be welcomed.

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

Parish Mass Book: This weekend's readings: p.120, Gloria p.9, Creed p.11

Saturday 26th 6.00pm,	Feria ASC Vigil Mass (Veronica Hallam RIP (RP))
Sunday 27th 9.15am, 11.15am,	Twenty - First Sunday of the Year SMC Holy Mass (The People of the Parishes) <i>Tea and coffee will be served in the church after this Mass</i> ASC Holy Mass (Intention to be announced) <i>Tea and coffee will be served in the church after this Mass</i>
Monday 28th 10.00am,	St Augustine, Bishop and Doctor <i>Please pray for today's meeting of the Core Leadership Team</i> ASC Holy Mass (Andrea Barlow RIP (JR))
Tuesday 29th	The Passion of St John the Baptist
Wednesday 30th 1.15pm, 7.00pm,	The Dedication of St Barnabas' Cathedral, Feast SMC Funeral Service of Veronica Hallam RIP ASC Holy Mass (The Intentions of Nuala O'Kane (O&PB))
Thursday 31st 9.00am,	St Aidan, Bishop, and Saints of Lindisfarne SMC Holy Mass (Evelyn and Anthony Brown RIP (O&PB)) <i>Tea and coffee will be served in the church after this Mass</i>
Friday 1st 10.00am, 7.00pm,	Feria <i>World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation</i> SMC Holy Mass (The well-being of Christine and Vernon Johnson (DL)) SMH Prayer Group
Saturday 2nd 10.00 – 10.30am, 6.00pm,	Feria ASC Confessions ASC Vigil Mass (Intention to be announced)
Sunday 3rd 9.15am, 11.15am,	Twenty - Second Sunday of the Year SMC Holy Mass (Irene Cooper RIP (O&PB)) <i>Tea and coffee will be served in the church after this Mass</i> ASC Holy Mass (The People of the Parishes) <i>Tea and coffee will be served in the church after this Mass</i>

Please join your fellow parishioners in praying our parish prayer daily – “Heavenly Father, bless and prosper our efforts to renew the life of our parishes. Help me to discover the part you want me to play, and give me the courage to trust in the power of the Holy Spirit. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.”

GLOSSOP ROSARY:
 We will be continuing our Rosary devotion on Monday 28th August with the Glorious Mysteries.
A message from St Mary's gardening team: If you would like to donate a plant to help brighten the area around our grotto, either on your own behalf or in memory of a loved one, please contact Anne Fielding, and she will arrange the planting for you.
Dates for your diary:
 On **Sunday, September 10th** Owen Russell will be giving a talk from 2.30pm-4.30pm at St Mary's Church about his memories of All Saints School, and on **Tuesday, September 12th**, Tony Wright will be giving a talk from 7pm-9pm at All Saints Church about the history of All Saints Church and the Howard Family.
Saturday 23rd September, Diocesan Annual Mass for Altar Servers, 11.30am at St Barnabas' Cathedral, Nottingham. Details from Christine Hulley.
Saturday 18th November, Joint Christmas Fayre, further details to follow.
Please remember in your prayers this week: Don and Roseline McLeish who are unwell. Philomena Brennan who asks for prayers for healing and relief from a long standing problem.