

ALL SAINTS, OLD GLOSSOP, AND ST MARY CROWNED, GLOSSOP Glossop Catholic Parishes – Jesus Christ calls everyone to experience His **transforming love**.

We joyfully embrace our responsibility to proclaim this good news.

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TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY OF 2023 – 3rd SEPTEMBER

Thoughts on today's Gospel Reading, 16:21-27 Today's Gospel continues the story that began in last week's Gospel. Simon Peter was called the "rock" upon which Jesus would build his Church, and yet Peter continues to show the limitations of his understanding of Jesus' identity. Now that the disciples have acknowledged that Jesus is the Messiah, Jesus confides in them the outcome of his ministry: he must suffer and die in Jerusalem to be raised on the third day. Peter rejects this prediction, and Jesus rebukes him, calling him "Satan." In opposing this part of Jesus' mission, Peter shows that he is no longer speaking based on the revelation from God but as a human being. Jesus then teaches all of the disciples about the difficult path of discipleship: to be Christ's disciple is to follow in his way of the cross. Peter could not yet understand what it meant to call Jesus the Messiah. It is unlikely that the other disciples understood any better. Messianic expectations were a common aspect of firstcentury Judaism. Under Roman occupation, many in Israel hoped and prayed that God would send a Messiah to free the Jews from Roman oppression. The common view was that the Messiah would be a political figure, a king that would free Israel from Roman rule. This is perhaps what Peter envisioned when he was led to recognize Jesus as the Messiah. In this passage, however, Jesus is beginning to teach his disciples that he would be the Messiah in a different way.

Jesus would be more like the suffering servant described by the prophet Isaiah than the political liberator. Those who would be Jesus' disciples would be called to a similar life of service.

Perhaps this is what Peter feared most in Jesus' prediction of his Passion. He whom Jesus had called "rock" would also be called upon to offer himself in sacrifice and service to others. Christian leaders today are still called to sacrifice and serve others as Jesus did. © Loyola Press

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.

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

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.

GLOSSOP ROSARY:

We will be continuing our Rosary devotion on Monday 4th September with the Joyful Mysteries. **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.

Father Martin and the Core Leadership Team write, Wednesday Mass time survey:

Currently on Wednesdays Holy Mass is celebrated at 10am at All Saints church.

We are proposing instead a 'Holy Hour' on Wednesday evenings at All Saints, starting with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 7pm, and continuing with Holy Mass at 7.30pm.

This arrangement would also allow people who work during the day to attend a weekday Mass. Indicate your preference online at https://tinyurl.com/glossopwednesdays

10am Holy Mass

7pm Holy Hour with 7.30pm Holy Mass

no preference

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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."

Dates for your diary:

On **Tuesday**, **September 12th**, Tony Wright will be giving a talk from 7pm-9pm at All Saints Church titled "Glossop, the Howards and All Saints" which considers the role the Howards played in the development of Glossop with particular reference to All Saints Church.

Saturday 18th November, Joint Christmas Fayre, further details to follow.

All Saints 'Thrifty Fifty' The winner of the £100 prize for July is Ann Riley.

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.