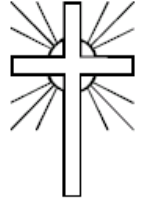
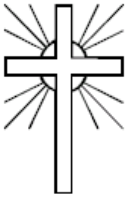


ALL SAINTS, OLD GLOSSOP, AND ST MARY CROWNED, GLOSSOP

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to experience His **transforming love**.

We **joyfully** embrace our responsibility to **proclaim** this good news.

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THE HOLY FAMILY 2023 – 31ST DECEMBER

Fr Martin writes,

"I send my heartfelt thanks to everyone who so kindly contributed to the Christmas Offering, and to all those people whose generosity was also expressed in Christmas cards and gifts. May God reward you for your generosity by blessing you and yours with bountiful gifts and keep you safe in the year ahead."

This Wednesday we welcome seminarian Michael Furey to begin his placement in the Glossop parishes.

Michael writes, Dear Parishioners of All Saints and St Mary Crowned,

My name is Michael Furey, and I am a student for the priesthood for the Diocese of Nottingham. I am currently in my second year at St Mary's College, Oscott in Birmingham.

I am originally from Derby and my home parish is St Joseph's in the city centre, where I was baptised, made my First Holy Communion and was confirmed, and I attended St Joseph's primary school and St Benedict secondary school before having a few different jobs until going to seminary.

I first thought about the possibility of becoming a priest when I became an altar server but forgot about the idea when I began secondary school. However, the idea of priesthood probably never left me completely and then when I was fourteen the possibility came back to me and although it came and went several times the thought of becoming a priest never left me since. After leaving school I had a few different jobs, then in 2021 I applied for the formation programme for our diocese and was accepted by Bishop Patrick and sent for my first year of seminary studies at the Royal English College of St Alban's in Valladolid, Spain.

This is a college where students go for their first year of seminary studies to focus predominantly on their spiritual and human development before proceeding to their next seminary before studying subjects like philosophy and theology. I have previously had pastoral placements in parishes in Lincoln, Nottingham and Leicester working with schools, a university and a prison.

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I have also done a separate placement in Edinburgh working with adults with learning disabilities in residential homes.

At Oscott I have a weekly placement at a refugee and asylum seekers centre in Smethwick in the Black Country, about thirty minutes' drive from Birmingham.

I am very grateful to Father Martin for agreeing to host and mentor me for this placement and I look forward very much to meeting you all and spending the month of January with you in your parish communities and getting to know the Peak District better.

Michael J. Furey.

This Sunday, 31st December, you are all invited to our 'Early Evening New Year's Eve party', at All Saints church starting at 5.30pm, after Solemn Vespers, and finishing by 7.30pm.

Both non-alcoholic and alcoholic beer and wine will be available, as well as tea and coffee and soft drinks. 'Bites' include cheese and crackers and a selection of sausages.

Do come along for this festive celebration to anticipate the welcome of the New Year, and bring your family and friends! Donations of bottles will be gratefully received. *Thank you!*

Father Martin and the Core Leadership Team write: We are making our welcome at Holy Mass more personal and hope we will all get to know more people's names; next week at Holy Mass you will again be invited to write your name on a label. We are also asking that you pray for one of the parishioners during Holy Mass.

News from the Diocese:

A dynamic and evolving role 'Development and Communications Co-ordinator' serving the young people of the diocese of Nottingham is pivotal to supporting the development and growth of NDCYS (Nottingham Diocesan Catholic Youth Service). This is an exciting and challenging opportunity for an aspiring leader. This is initially a one year fixed term contract. Details available at: <https://www.ndcys.com>

THE GLOSSOP ROSARY: We will be continuing our rosary devotion on Monday 1st January with the Mysteries of Light.

During Advent and Christmastide, our bishops invite us to join them in praying for:

Migrants and Refugees, and Expectant Mothers

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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.106, Gloria p.9, Creed p.11/12

Saturday 30th 6.00pm,	Sixth Day of Christmas ASC Vigil Mass (The People of the Parishes)
Sunday 31st 9.15am, 11.15am, 5.00 – 5.30pm, 5.30 – 7.30pm,	The Holy Family, Feast SMC Holy Mass (The Holy Souls) <i>Fairtrade tea and coffee will be served in the church after this Mass</i> ASC Holy Mass (Intentions of Margaret Maloney) <i>Fairtrade tea and coffee will be served in the church after this Mass</i> ASC Solemn Vespers (Evening Prayer I for the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God) ASC Early evening New Year's Eve Party – bring a bottle
Monday 1st 10.00am,	Mary, The Holy Mother of God, Solemnity ASC Holy Mass (Intentions of Michelle McAuley (O&PB)) <i>Please pray for today's meeting of the Core Leadership Team</i>
Tuesday 2nd	SS Basil the Great, and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors <i>Father Martin will offer Holy Mass today for The Holy Souls</i>
Wednesday 3rd 7.00pm, 7.30pm,	The Most Holy Name of Jesus ASC Holy Hour, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ASC Holy Mass (Intentions of Catrina Black (O&PB)) <i>We welcome today seminarian Michael Furey to begin his placement in the Glossop parishes</i>
Thursday 4th 10.00am,	Eleventh Day of Christmas SMC Holy Mass (The welfare of Tony Berrisford (P&MM)) <i>Fairtrade tea and coffee will be served in the church after this Mass</i> <i>Please pray for today's meeting of our parish pastoral council</i>
Friday 5th 10.00am, 7.00pm,	Twelfth Day of Christmas SMC Holy Mass (Intentions of Kath Thompson (JR)) SMH Prayer Group
Saturday 6th 9.00 – 9.30am, 6.00pm,	Thirteenth Day of Christmas – Fr Martin's birthday ASC Sacrament of Reconciliation <i>No Sycamore session this week, Sycamore resumes next Saturday, 13th January 2024</i> ASC Vigil Mass (Intentions of Heather McCormick (O&PB))
Sunday 7th 9.15am, 11.15am, 5.00 – 5.30pm,	The Epiphany of The Lord, Solemnity – Labels Sunday SMC Holy Mass (Mary - Elizabeth Barnes RIP (O&PB)) <i>Fairtrade tea and coffee will be served in the church after this Mass</i> ASC Holy Mass (The People of the Parishes) <i>Fairtrade tea and coffee will be served in the church after this Mass</i> ASC Solemn Vespers (Evening Prayer II for the Epiphany of The Lord)

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:
Monday 8th January, ASC, 7.00pm – 8.00pm, Meeting for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Sunday 14th January, Peace Sunday
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.