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FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – 1ST FEBRUARY 2026 ALSO RACIAL JUSTICE DAY

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Jenny Cieslik writes, the week of prayer for Christian Unity was an opportunity for Christians in Glossop to pray, share, worship, and celebrate the things they have in common. A time to strengthen connections between people from different churches.

The theme this year was One Body, One Spirit, and the resources were provided by the Armenian Apostolic, Catholic and Evangelical Churches. It was uplifting to pray together, reflecting on our personal experience of ecumenism, sharing what is happening locally, and praying for our world.

I enjoyed participating in the events, especially the open-air service in Norfolk Square and the Prayer Walk. On Saturday morning, a group of us walked to the various churches in Glossop and prayed for them and for the children and young people in the schools.

The final event, at St Charles Borromeo was well-attended. Thank you to all the people involved in planning, opening their church as a welcoming place to meet, all the helpers who provided refreshments, and all the people from different churches who participated.



Diocesan Pilgrimage

NDCTS writes, the Diocesan Youth Service is taking a group of young people to Lourdes, France as part of the Diocesan Pilgrimage in July 2026. If you are aged 16+ and unable to go with your school, or a young adult who would like to be a small group leader, we encourage you to download the information pack and apply online at ndcts.com/Lourdes

The Glossop Rosary: We will continue on Monday 2nd February with the Sorrowful Mysteries.

Statement on Marriage (Revised 29th August 2020)

Marriage is a lifelong vocation of a man and a woman to a community of life and love open to children, and, between the baptized, it is a Sacrament. Aware of the many pressures today which can endanger family life, the Church is constantly concerned to make sure that those of you planning to marry are prepared as well as possible. We would like to remind those who wish to marry of the following:

1. It is important that a couple go to see their priest in good time before their wedding. Normally, at least six months' notice should be given.
2. Marriage preparation is carried out by the priest, often assisted by a group from the parish. Courses arranged on a Deanery basis are recommended.
3. Catholics are reminded of their obligation to preserve their faith and to do all they can within the unity of their partnership to have all their children baptized and brought up in the faith and practice of the Catholic Church.
4. Non-Catholic partners will be informed of this promise, but they are not asked to make this or any similar promise.
5. Dispensation for a marriage between a Catholic and a non-Catholic to take place in a non-Catholic church can be granted only for a serious reason. Couples who wish to marry in a non-Catholic church should discuss the matter with their priest in good time before their wedding day to see whether a dispensation could be granted.

All couples marrying these days need the support of the local Church. In this way they will be strengthened in their preparation for marriage, in celebrating their marriage, and in living out their covenant with one another.

We wish to thank all those married people who show such constancy and fidelity to their vocation of marriage. May their example inspire those planning to marry in the Church.

Right Reverend Patrick McKinney
Bishop of Nottingham

Prayer Group

Peter Greenhalgh writes, please note the Prayer Group will meet on Thursday next week.

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ASC = All Saints Church, SMC = St Mary's Church, SMH = St Mary's Hall, SMS = St Mary's School, SPH = St Philip Howard School	
Saturday 31st 6.00pm	Memorial of St John Bosco, priest ASC Vigil Mass for the Fourth Sunday of the Year (Liz Nash RIP (O&PB))
Sunday 1st 9.15am 11.15am	Fourth Sunday of the Year - Racial Justice Day - Labels Sunday Fairtrade tea and coffee will be served in both churches after Holy Mass today SMC Holy Mass (Liz Nash RIP (R&AH)) ASC Holy Mass (The People of the Parishes)
Monday 2nd 10.00am	Feast of The Presentation of The Lord – Candlemas – Also Day of Special Prayer for Consecrated Life The Candlemas liturgy begins at All Saints School and continues with a procession to All Saints Church for Holy Mass (Agnes Young RIP (JM)) Please pray for today's meeting of the Core Leadership Team and this afternoon's meeting of the Parish Hall Committee
Tuesday 3rd	Memorial of St Blaise, bishop and martyr Father Martin will offer Holy Mass today for Fr Emile Nkumu RIP
Wednesday 4th 1.00pm 7.00pm 7.30pm	Memorial of St Gilbert of Sempringham, religious At Smithy Fold (Wetherspoons) Meeting of the Friendship Group ASC Holy Hour begins with Eucharistic Adoration Holy Hour continues with Holy Mass (In thanksgiving for the prayers of St Anthony (JW))
Thursday 5th 9.00am 7.00pm 7.00pm	Memorial of St Agatha, virgin and martyr SMC Holy Mass (Liz Nash RIP (AT)) SMH Prayer Group At St Joseph's Matlock, Induction Mass for Fr Emmanuel Please pray for today's Day of Recollection for priests
Friday 6th 10.00am 7.00pm	Memorial of SS Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs of Japan SMC Holy Mass (Liz Nash RIP) SMH Presentation on Sacramental preparation Please pray for the Presentation by the Dominican Sisters
Saturday 7th 9.00 – 9.30am 10.00am -12noon 2.00pm 6.00pm	SMC Sacrament of Reconciliation SMH Sycamore session 'The Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation' ASC Baptism of James Henry Field ASC Vigil Mass for the Fifth Sunday of the Year (Philip Taylor RIP (RP))
Sunday 8th 9.15am 11.15am 6.00pm	Fifth Sunday of the Year - Day of Special Prayer for the Victims of Trafficking Fairtrade tea and coffee will be served in both churches after Holy Mass today SMC Holy Mass (The People of the Parishes) ASC Holy Mass (Patrick Shanahan RIP (GS)) SMH Confirmation Preparation Session
This week's prayer intentions for Vocations: Mon: Vocations to Religious Life; Tues: Vocations to the Diaconate; Weds: All Discerners; Thurs: Our Schools; Fri: Staff and Seminarians at VEC, Rome; Sat: Priests in Leicestershire and Rutland; Sun: Secular Orders and Associates.	
EXTRA-ORDO-NARY Schools' Word of the Week: Inspiration	
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."	
Please remember in your prayers: Don and Roseline McLeish, Doreen Leech who is unwell, Philomena Brennan who has a long-standing problem, and her husband Martin who is unwell.	
The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for February: For children with incurable diseases. Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.	
The Nottingham 40 Days for Life , praying for an end to abortion, 18th Feb - 29th March. Visit www.40daysforlife.com/nottingham	

