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FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – 8TH FEBRUARY 2026

ALSO DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR THE VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING

Rest in Peace

Father Martin writes, our prayers are asked for the repose of the soul of Fr Paul Entwistle, who died recently. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. The funeral of Fr Paul is expected to be celebrated at the parish of Crowle, where he served for many years as parish priest; no date had been announced at the time this newsletter went to press.

“Go, Make Disciples”

The Mission Leadership Team (formerly the Core Leadership Team) writes, copies of the summary of the new Diocesan five-year Mission plan can be picked up at the back of our churches. The full document can also be viewed and downloaded on our parish website. There is also a dedicated Diocesan website - gomakedisciples.uk

Saint Josephine Bakhita

The Diocese writes, each year, 8th February (when not a Sunday) is the memorial of Saint Josephine Bakhita, the patron saint of victims of human trafficking and modern slavery. There are 50 million victims of human trafficking across the world and as many as 130,000 in the UK, hidden in plain sight in your neighbourhood. Pope Francis described human trafficking as “blood money” and a “crime against humanity”. We are all called to combat this evil trade. To find out more about what you can do visit santamartagroup.org/resources.

Sanctuary: A Retreat for Altar Servers

NDCYS writes, join altar servers from across the Diocese for a unique and uplifting retreat weekend at The Briars Retreat Centre, Crich between 8th – 10th May 2026. This special gathering, of young people in years 7 – 13, is crafted to celebrate your ministry, strengthen your faith, and build lasting friendships with others who serve on the altar just like you.

Across three days, you'll take part in engaging sessions, prayer and worship, team-building activities, and plenty of opportunities to relax and have fun. Whether you're new to serving or have years of experience, this retreat offers a welcoming space to reflect on your role, deepen your relationship with God, and grow in confidence and community. We can't wait to welcome you to The Briars!

For more information visit- ndcys.com/sanctuary

Message of the Holy Father Leo XIV for the 34th World Day of the Sick - 11th February 2026

Let us raise our prayers to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Health of the Sick, asking her to assist all who suffer and are in need of compassion, consolation and a listening ear. Let us seek her intercession with this ancient prayer, that has been invoked in families for those living with illness and pain:

Sweet Mother, do not part from me.

Turn not your eyes away from me.

*Walk with me at every moment
and never leave me alone.*

*You who always protect me
as a true Mother,*

*obtain for me the blessing of the Father,
Son and Holy Spirit.*

I cordially impart my Apostolic Blessing to all who are sick, to their families and to those who care for them – healthcare workers and pastoral workers alike – and in a special way to all participating in this World Day of the Sick.

LEO PP. XIV

The full text of the message from His Holiness can be found on our parish website.

Sea Sunday 2025 Appeal

We have received a letter of thanks from Stella Maris (formerly the Apostleship of the Sea) for our parishes' donation of £170.12p.

Report from our Visiting Seminarian

Lukas Mickevicius writes, I have found my time in Glossop greatly beneficial to my formation for the Holy Priesthood. It was a time of significant learning, of gathering useful experience, and of great joy. Chief among the things I have learned in Glossop was how the running of a parish can be shared well by the Parish Priest and the lay parishioners. The parishes of All Saints and St Mary Crowned have thoroughly delighted me and its positive impact on my journey to the Holy Priesthood I will feel for many years to come.

Fairtrade

Rachel Hall writes, the children in our primary schools are exploring Fairtrade this term. Could you help us by saving any Fairtrade product packaging e.g. teabag boxes, chocolate wrappers? Thank you.

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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 7th 6.00pm	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
Monday 9th 10.00am 7.30pm	Feria ASC Holy Mass (Gwen Eyre RIP Anniversary (MM)) ASC New Testament Greek Reading Group Please pray for today's meeting of the Core Leadership Team
Tuesday 10th	Memorial of St Scholastica, virgin Father Martin will offer Holy Mass today for Father Derek Lanca RIP
Wednesday 11th 10.15am 7.00pm	Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes also Day of Special Prayer for the Sick SMC Funeral of Frank Hammond RIP ASC Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration Please pray for tonight's meeting of our joint parishes finance committee
Thursday 12th 9.00am 9.45am	Feria SMC Holy Mass (Liz Nash RIP (AT)) SMC Meeting to discuss dates for the next coffee morning Please pray for today's meeting of the clergy of our deanery and this evening's meeting of our Pastoral Council
Friday 13th 10.00am 7.00pm	Feria SMC Holy Mass (Liz Nash RIP (R&DH)) SMH Prayer Group
Saturday 14th 9.00 – 9.30am 10.00am -12noon 6.00pm	Feast of St Cyril and St Methodius, Patron Saints of Europe ASC Sacrament of Reconciliation SMH Sycamore session 'The Holy Eucharist' ASC Vigil Mass for the Sixth Sunday of the Year (For the intentions of Jamie Agius (R&DH))
Sunday 15th 9.15am 11.15am 3.15pm 6.00pm	Sixth Sunday of the Year - Day of special prayer for the Unemployed 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 (The wellbeing of Sandra Mellor-Fallon (DL)) ASC Paschal Triduum Singers Rehearsal SMH Confirmation Preparation Session
This week's prayer intentions for Vocations: Mon: Staff and Seminarians at Oscott College, Birmingham; Tues: Those at University; Weds: 'Christus Vivit' Young Adults Groups; Thurs: Vocations to Religious Life; Fri: Priests in Nottinghamshire; Sat: Vocations to the Priesthood; Sun: Those training for the Diaconate.	
EXTRA-ORDO-NARY Schools' Word of the Week: Diversity	
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 Glossop Rosary: We will continue Monday 9th February with the Glorious Mysteries.	

