

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Sunday 13th September

“In the beginning God created heaven and earth”

Genesis 1:1 – the first scripture verse.

Please pray for our sick, especially Janet Ashburne, Susan Jepson, Christine Phinn, Winnie Westran, Ruth Campbell, Gerard Kelly, Jane Sexton, John & Eileen Hanton, Theresa Sadler, Laura Latham, Wendy Wolverson, Ciaran Scott, Jack & Theresa Gowans (Scotland), Mary Cannon, Jim Quinn, Alex Thompson and those who have no-one to pray for them.

WE REMEMBER those who have died recently... and those who anniversaries are at this time... Reginald Cavanagh, Mary Mumford, James Carney, Arthur O'Malley and George Ellis... Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...

HAPPY BIRTHDAY... to those who will be celebrating this week...

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sunday 13 th	11.00am: Anne Maria Donegan RIP
Wednesday 16 th	9.30am: Harry Latham RIP
Sunday 20 th	11.00am: Pat Kennedy RIP
Sunday 27 th	11.00am: John and Pat Soos RIP

If anyone has any Mass intentions with Mass now taking place in church on a Sunday morning, please contact Alison by any of the usual means, or put them through the presbytery letterbox. We will try and accommodate any intentions we receive. Fr. Don is taking those for Wednesday mornings.

CHURCH OPENING TIMES: Church continues be opened for Mass at 11.00am on a Sunday, which will be celebrated by Fr. Andy, and at 9.30am on a Wednesday, when Fr. Don or Fr. Windle will hopefully celebrate Mass.

You still need to book your place for the Sunday Mass as numbers still have to be limited and we are required to keep your contact information for 21 days, for Track and Trace procedures. Places need to be booked through Deacon Geoff (812147 or 07765 075702). **Please contact him no later than 6pm on the Friday before, so the seating arrangement doesn't need to be done at the last minute.**

Each week priority will be given to those who haven't attended a previous Mass but hopefully, this won't cause too much of a problem.

STEWARDS: the only way that the church can continued to be open is by having several stewards who are prepared to give up their time to ensure everyone's safety. If you are under 70 and able to help either before and just after 11.00am Mass on Sunday or on a Wednesday morning, could you please contact Catherine on c.mclaughlin81@outlook.com

FR. ANDY & ZOOM MASSES: Fr Andy's Sunday Zoom Mass takes place at 9.30am to allow him time to get to Maltby to celebrate the Mass in church at 11.00am. He also does a Zoom Mass on Thursday morning at 9.00am.

SCHOOL NEWS Once again, I borrow from the school's newsletter...

Special well done to our amazing Foundation 2 children who have come into school this week. They have settled so well despite being so young and not being in school for so long.

Next week it is the turn of our F1 children to start coming into school. We are sure they will do well and look forward to welcoming them into our school community.

I am delighted to say that we have had no children with symptoms at all.

CARITAS HALLAM REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP SCHEME

In 2015, Pope Francis declared "May every parish, every religious community, every monastery, every sanctuary in Europe host a refugee family, starting with my own diocese of Rome."

Having led the way, Pope Francis asked bishops throughout Europe to have their dioceses respond to his call "to express the Gospel in concrete terms and take in a family of refugees". In the UK, support for refugee families is made available through the Community Sponsorship scheme (CS) and a subgroup of Caritas Hallam has been considering how CS could work in our diocese, building on models from parishes in Salford and Leeds, amongst others.

Community sponsors provide emotional and practical support to empower resettled families to rebuild their lives and to become self-sufficient members of their new community.

Geoff is interested in knowing if there are a group of parishioners, who would be interested in working together to supporting a resettled family, in Maltby. If you think you might be, please talk to him.

Further details about the whole process is available online at resetuk.org and csan.org.uk/community-sponsorship.

MALTBY FOODBANK:

As of Sunday, 13th, 114 families (304 individuals) continue to be supported.

There is a Maltby Foodbank Facebook page, which has the up-to-date shopping list, to enable us to put out the parcels each week. As most weeks, our most important needs are tinned tomatoes, tinned vegetables, tinned meat and biscuits. Plus, if anyone has any empty egg boxes, they'd also be very useful.

We are pleased that there is a decent weather forecast for next week because having identified the people who have age, mobility or health issues that would make collecting a food parcel from Morrell Street difficult, therefore entitling them to receive a delivery, the rest of the parcels will be picked up from outside on the respective day.

REGAN'S THREE PEAK CHALLENGE

The Yorkshire 3 Peaks Challenge in memory of Anne Regan was successfully accomplished by her family. Jim joined the rest of the team for Pen-y-gent down to Whernside, undertaking a quick 9 miles in under 3 hours... he'd already done completed the other two in training, giving him the full house. So far, £ 3,359 has been raised for the hospice. Thank you to everyone who has kindly donated.

There is also a raffle to be drawn on 9th October and prizes include - £100 Gift Voucher for Meadow Interiors, £50 Meat Voucher for McKenzie Meats, a 3 Course Meal for 2 people at the 3 Tuns. Tickets are available from family members, behind the bar at the Catholic Club and Meadow Interiors.

MESSAGE FROM CAFOD

We have been working hard during the pandemic to provide support to vulnerable families and we're working hard to ensure that the coronavirus crisis does not mean people go hungry. But the need is great. That's why we're launching our new challenge across Hallam Diocese:

Supporting CAFOD is "a piece of cake"!

It's simple: bake your favourite cake, make a donation to the CAFOD Hallam JustGiving page and gift the cake to a friend or relative in need of cheering up at this time. And encourage them to take part too! We suggest a donation of £4, the equivalent of an afternoon coffee and cake.

If anyone has anything that they'd like to share via the bulletin including celebrations, good news, scripture verses or general news please send it to Alison by Friday evening for inclusion... email stmmaltby@gmail.com or text 07926 375497. Thank you.