

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Sunday 6th September

“Jesus wept”

John 11:35 – the shortest 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 whose anniversaries are at this time... Patricia Green, Leslie Harden, Eileen Durkan, Frank Keetley, James Cavanagh, Nicola Newbury and Lilian Roberts... Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...

WELCOME to Harriet Louise Arrowsmith, daughter of Sarah and Stephen, who is due to be baptized next Sunday (13th Sept)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY... to Jean and anyone else who will be celebrating this week...

CONGRATULATIONS... to Grace Morris, who made her 1st Holy Communion last Wednesday evening.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sunday 6 th	11.00am: Pat Green RIP
Sunday 13 th	11.00am: Anne Maria Donegan RIP
Sunday 20 th	11.00am: Pat Kennedy 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 to 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.

FACE MASKS: from 8th August, the government added places of worship to the list of places where face coverings will be compulsory.

Please be mindful and respectful that some people are exempt on medical grounds from wearing a face mask. For those who are, there are printable cards or you may have heard of the Hidden Disability Sunflower lanyard that is obtainable for a small fee from hiddendisabilitiesstore.com. I have tried to find a phone number but it appears to be online only.

STEWARDS: the only way that the church can continue 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.

MALTBY FOODBANK: As of Sunday, 6th, 115 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. Currently amongst our most important needs are tinned tomatoes, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit and biscuits.

Unfortunately, the move down to the Coleman Centre is taking longer than we would have liked, however, we are in the process of trying to identify those who will continue to need a delivery and those who would be able to come and collect their own parcel from either Morrell Street or the Centre, so we can return to having just one day of deliveries... and ideally one route.

SCHOOL NEWS I hope Mr Harris doesn't mind me copying the opening paragraph from his newsletter home on Friday....

I wasn't going to send out a newsletter today having only been back a couple of days but I just felt that I had to. I need to say a big thank you from myself and the staff for the way that these two days have gone. We have had great attendance and children have come back looking so smart and happy it has put a big smile on our faces. It can't have been easy for some children having been away from school for so long but they have all settled back in so smoothly and in a mature manner. They are a real credit to themselves and to you.

REGAN'S THREE PEAK CHALLENGE: As I sit and type, on Saturday morning, three generations of the Regan family are being much more energetic and walking to complete the Yorkshire 3 Peaks Challenge... and they are also going to take part in the Glow with the Flow Memory Walk on 9th October. By doing these they would like to raise lots of money to support Rotherham Hospice who lovingly cared for Anne. If you would like to sponsor their expeditions there is a JustGiving page - search for Anne Regan.

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.