

**The Parish of**  
**OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE**  
**CHESTERFIELD and DRONFIELD**

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**Fifth Sunday of Easter: YEAR C**  
**15<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

**THE NEW COMMANDMENT**

The Church, like a good Mother, is very wise.

She gives us a full seven weeks of Easter season.

We need this extended time to reflect on those lessons Christ taught us in his passion and resurrection.

Plants have to spend time outside to gradually absorb the sunlight and transform it into nutrients.

Just so, our souls have to spend time basking in the light of Christ's revelation, so that we can absorb the grace God wants to give us.

Today especially, we are reminded of the New Commandment that Christ gave us the day before he suffered.

We are brought back to that Last Supper,

when Jesus was gathered with his closest companions and opened his heart to them.

It was the night when his heart overflowed with love as it never had before.

It was the night when he revealed the secret identity of every Christian, the distinguishing mark: *"This is how all will know that you are my disciples,"* he said, *"if you have love for one another."*

And not just any kind of love, but Christ-like love: *"I give you a new commandment...*

*As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."*

Being a Christian is much more than being a member of a club.

Being a Christian means having an urgent, important mission in life.

It means being another Christ in the world.

Jesus gave his very life in order to fulfil his Father's will and win salvation for sinners.

Each one of us is called to reproduce in the unique circumstances of our lives that exact same pattern: dedicating our lives to discovering and fulfilling God's will, and striving to help as many people as possible know, love, and follow Christ.

## **PARISH MEETING**

There will be a Parish meeting on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May following 10.00am Mass in the Annunciation Parish Centre.

We will discuss the future shape and workings of our vast parish...  
...with only one priest

## **WE ASK THAT YOU CONTINUE TO WEAR A FACE COVERING IN CHURCH**

### **HOLY HOUR AT HOLY FAMILY**

*"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on Earth."* - St Teresa of Calcutta

Each Saturday from 5.00pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, at Church of the Holy Family.

### **JUMBLE SALE**

Many thanks to all who supported the recent jumble sale which raised **£598**

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the Platinum Jubilee weekend -

### **THERE WILL BE NO JUMBLE SALE IN JUNE**

However, this does allow you extra time for that seasonal clear-out: we are always in need of your unwanted clothes, shoes, toys and bric-a-brac!

### **MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

After a long absence, the Ministry of the Word once more comes into operation & we thank all the readers who have offered their services in this valuable ministry.

While volunteer numbers are quite healthy for the 10am and 5pm Masses, only three people have offered to read at the 8.30am Mass.

This will reduce to two at the end of June.

Please consider putting your name forward to present the words of scripture to the congregation at the 8.30am Mass.

Minimal training is necessary, and full support will be given to anybody who wishes to volunteer.

For further information, please contact:

Janet Dillon on 01246 567005

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

Children's Liturgy will take place in the Parish Centre for all primary school children every second and fourth Sunday in the month up to & including 10<sup>th</sup> July. Just follow the Catechist out from Church and know where to return to your family after the Bidding Prayers.

In two groups we will listen to, reflect on, and discuss how we can all live out the message of the Sunday Gospel during the week.

## **COFFEE MORNING IN SUPPORT OF UKRAINE**

This Sunday's (15<sup>th</sup> May) coffee morning following 10am Mass will be a fundraiser for the people of Ukraine. All monies raised will go toward supporting Ukrainian refugees who have been forced to flee to Poland. Please show your support, and contribute toward helping those who are suffering as a result of an ever-intensifying humanitarian crisis.

## **40 DAYS OF LENT - FOODBANK COLLECTION.**

A huge thank-you to everyone who supported our 2022 Foodbank Lenten Appeal. We raised £250 to buy much-needed fruit juice and long-life milk, and donated 293 kg. of food. Our seasonal appeals and the regular contributions of a small band of stalwarts are invaluable in feeding the hungry in Chesterfield. Many thanks again to all who put their faith into action this Lent.  
God bless you, Llsa Eustace and Mary Platts

## **PILGRIMAGES – NEAR & FAR**

### **MEDJUGORJE**

The dates of the 2022 pilgrimages to Medjugorje are:  
16<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> June *and* 3<sup>rd</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> September

The cost is £630 per person. For all booking and enquiries please contact Deacon Pete Marshall: 07807955836 or [petesuemarshall@googlemail.com](mailto:petesuemarshall@googlemail.com)

### **LOURDES**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June (6 nights) £765.00 Full Board flying from Doncaster Airport. Insurance £33.

Booking form and further details available from [www.hallam-lourdes.com](http://www.hallam-lourdes.com) or telephone 07724 650066 or at the back of church.

### **PADLEY**

THE PADLEY INTERDIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE IS BACK!

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July**

The procession from Grindleford Train Station takes place at 3.00pm and Holy Mass commences at 3.30pm.

Rt. Rev. John Arnold, Bishop of Salford will preach and pilgrims are invited to arrive early if they wish to picnic in the chapel grounds.

### **WALSINGHAM**

The Hallam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place this year on **23rd July.**

The coach will depart from Chesterfield Train Station and the cost is £18.00pp. If you would like to join the Pilgrimage there is now an enquiry form on the Parish website or you can call the Parish Office.

## LITURGY TIMES AND INTENTIONS

<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May</b>	12.00noon Annunciation	James Flynn
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May</b>	11.00am Annunciation	<b>Requiem Mass for Delia Britland</b>
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	12.00noon Annunciation	Private Intention
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May</b>	12.00noon Annunciation	Yorkshire Brethren
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	12.00noon Annunciation	Margaret McEvoy
<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May</b>  VIGIL MASSES	10.00 Annunciation  5.00pm Holy Spirit  <i>5.00pm Holy Family</i>  6.30pm Holy Family	First Holy Communion Mass  Private Intention  <i>Holy Hour</i>  Thanksgiving Intentions: 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday of Mary Hughes
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>  <b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: YEAR C</b>	8.30am Annunciation  10.00am Annunciation  <i>11.00am Annunciation Parish Centre</i>  3.00pm Holy Family  5.00pm Annunciation	Thanksgiving Intention (TM)  People of the Parish  <i>Parish Meeting</i>  Polish Mass  Victims of Conflict