The Parish of OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CHESTERFIELD and DRONFIELD

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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR C 30th January 2022

WHAT MAKES A SUCCESSFUL CHRISTIAN?

Are we successful Christians? It is not an easy question to answer. What is the measure of success for the followers of Christ? Is it enough to avoid really big sins and make it to Mass on Sundays? That wasn't the criteria that Christ gave us. He set the bar higher, because he loves us, and when you love someone you always seek the very best for them. You are not satisfied with mediocrity. Christ didn't command us just to go to Church and be nice. It doesn't stop there. Christ commanded us to love one another as he loved us, and to go out and make disciples of all nations. That's what Christ did. He was successful at it. And what did his success bring him? Misunderstanding, persecution, rejection, unpopularity. He went around doing good, tiring himself out healing the sick, casting demons out of the possessed, comforting the troubled, giving himself to others out of love, and what did he get for it? All the influential and powerful people - the Pharisees and Sadducees - started calling him a rabble-rouser and spreading rumours that he was a drunkard and an agent of the devil. He went around preaching the truth, the truth about sin and salvation. He preached it fearlessly, eloquently, lovingly, with his words and with his example. And what did he get for it? His own townspeople rejected him; they tried to throw him off a cliff! Christ fulfilled his life mission, but it didn't make him popular. If we are to fulfil our life mission we need to be ready to suffer similar consequences. We can measure our success as Christians not by how comfortable our faith is making us, but by how uncomfortable it is making us.

REQUIESCAT IN PACE: FR FRANCIS FLYNN

Bishop Ralph will celebrate a Requiem Mass for Fr Flynn this Thursday 3rd February, 7.00pm at Holy Family Church.

Following Mass, refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall – all are welcome.

FACE MASKS IN CHURCHES

We ask that you continue to wear a face covering in church.

As we are constantly being told; the masks are not principally for ourselves but for the care and protection of those around us

- and that, is the Christian message!

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION MUST NOW TAKE A LATERAL FLOW TEST ON THE DAY OF VISITING THE HOUSEBOUND

JUMBLE SALE

Next sale on Saturday 12th February 2022: 12.00pm – 2.00pm

As always, we need toys, shoes, clothes and bric-a-brac as well as people to help set up and tidy away. For information or to arrange a drop-off/collection please call: Chris on 01246 229517

2022 DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:

Friday 24th June – Thursday 30th June (6 nights) £765.00 Full Board flying from Doncaster Airport. Insurance £33. Booking form and further details available from www.hallam-lourdes.com or telephone 07724 650066. Please note: Everyone participating in the 2022 pilgrimage must be fully vaccinated against Covid-19. We feel that it is possible to plan for the pilgrimage to take place safely, but if it does not prove to be possible and the diocese cancels, then full refunds will be made.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGES 2022

The dates of the 2022 pilgrimages to Medjugorje are: 16th to 23rd June <u>and</u> 3rd to 10th September The cost is £630 per person with a discount of £30 for bookings made before 1st February For all booking and enquiries please contact Deacon Pete Marshall: 07807955836 or petesuemarshall@googlemail.com

WANTED: COMMUNICATIONS & SOCIAL MEDIA OFFICER

The Diocese of Hallam is seeking to recruit an enthusiastic, energetic and forward thinking Communications and Social Media Officer to join the Formation and Mission team. The team is responsible for promoting and providing access for adult faith formation and promoting effective communication within the Hallam. For more information and application details please visit:

www.hallam-diocese.com/about-doh/vacancies

POLISH MASS

Holy Mass will be celebrated in Polish at Holy Family Church every other Sunday at 3pm: Please see the Liturgy times overleaf for relevant forthcoming Sundays

OLQP FINAL MEETING OF THIS STAGE OF THE SYNOD - FRIDAY 4th FEBRUARY WHAT DO YOU WANT TO SAY TO POPE FRANCIS?



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For those who have not yet been able to join a listening event in our parish, there is a final opportunity on Friday 4th February at 7pm-9pm in the Annunciation Parish Centre. Parishioners from all three churches and any groups within our parish who have not yet been able to contribute are warmly invited to this final event with your parish Synod team and Fr Dominic.

SEND A POSTCARD TO POPE FRANCIS

Look out for a synod postcard free with the next issue of the Hallam News. This is to enable you, or anyone, to write a simple response to Pope Francis about the synod questions.

Do take some away with you for non-church goers whose views are also welcome. It can be posted directly to the Synod Office in Rome, returned to us in the Diocese or left in the box in church

A WORD OF THANKS FROM CHESTERFIELD FOOD BANK

Dear friends, we wanted to say a massive thank you to everyone at the Church of the Annunciation for your very kind donations in 2021. Your generous donations have enabled us to keep supporting local people in crisis. In 2021 we supplied food to 6636 people, with 1660 of those sadly being children. Demand for the food bank continues to grow year-on-year and your donations are more essential than ever.

Your donations weighed an amazing **1,392.4kg** which provided **1,535 meals**! Please continue to support us in 2022 and we ask your prayers for those visiting the food bank as well as our volunteers.

HALLAM DIOCESE SVP MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT OFFICER VACANCY

The St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) in the Hallam diocese is seeking a Membership Support Office to work a flexible average of 15 hours per week. This would be home based but would require the ability to travel around the diocese to engage with current conferences, meet with parish priests to arrange appeals, set up new groups and provide and offer support to the SVP membership across the diocese. For further information about this opportunity please contact:

Lance Philpott, SVP Head of Membership at lancep@svp.org.uk

UPDATE ON KERALAN WATER PROJECT

Following the generous donations from Our Lady Queen of Peace parishioners,, we have received the following update from St. Lourdes Conference, Valiyathura:
"We are very grateful to you for allowing drinking water project for St. Lourdes Conference, Valiyathura. This project has been beneficial to ten selected poor families. We have distributed Rs. 12,500/- each to 8 families and they bought the equipment and implemented the project. Conference President, Secretary and the treasurer were continuously monitoring till the completion of the project. We will keep you all in our daily prayers and pray for good health and cheer in your day to day works, and your mission of service.Once gain we express our sincere thanks to Padley Martys Conference and your benefactors for their support and donations for the drinking water scheme for the St.

Lourds Conference Valiathura. Yours in Jesus. Bro. Francis. President"

LITURGY TIMES AND INTENTIONS		
Monday 31 st January	12 Noon Annunciation	Requiem Mass for Maximillian Sharpe
Tuesday 1 st February	12 Noon Annunciation	Vincent Campbell
Wednesday 2 nd February THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD	12 Noon Annunciation	Myrtle Cheetham
Thursday 3 rd February	12 Noon Annunciation	Emmanuel Woodruffe
	7.00pm Holy Family	Requiem Mass for Fr Francis Flynn
Friday 4 th February St Gilbert of Sempringham	12 Noon Annunciation	Osborne & Lavern Weir
Saturday 5 th February	5.00pm Holy Spirit	Private Intention
VIGIL MASSES	6.30pm Holy Family	People of the Parish
Sunday 6 th February	8.30am Annunciation	Susan Lindman
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR C	10.00am Annunciation	Gordon Clarence Ellis
	3.00pm Holy Family	Polish Mass
	5.00pm Annunciation	Hugh & Bernie Eustace