

Service times & Mass Intentions

SUNDAY 13th January

The Baptism of the Lord

11.00am Mass: People of the Parish

MONDAY 14th January Feria

9.30am Mass: Welfare of Bruno Bradley

WEDNESDAY 16th January Feria

9.30am Mass: Ellen Williamson RIP

FRIDAY 18th January Feria

9.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9.30am Mass: Private Intention

SUNDAY 20th January

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

11.00am Mass: People of the Parish

Our next **Christian meditation session** will held in the parish hall on **Wednesday 16th January** at 2.00pm. All are welcome.

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This week..

Reader:

Phil Platts

Offertory

Procession:

Veronica Moseley & volunteer

Minister for Holy

Communion:

Caroline & John

Coffee Morning

Hilary

Flowers

Mrs Scott

Cleaners

Mrs Richardson

Tellers:

Eunice

Offertory

Envelopes: £ 87.40

Loose: £114.37

Total: £207.77

Thank you very much!

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1st Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5.9-11

Psalms: Psalm 103:1-2. 3-4. 24-25. 27-30

R: Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are.

2nd Reading: Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7

Gospel Acclamation: (Lk. 3:16) Alleluia alleluia! Someone is coming, said John, someone greater than I. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 3:15-16. 21-22

Communion antiphon: Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

Dear friends,

In St Luke's gospel all the important moments in the life of Jesus are tied in with prayer. It is while Jesus is at prayer after his baptism that the Holy Spirit descends on him and we hear the voice of the Father: "You are my Son, the beloved, my favour rests on you." It can be argued that our own baptism we too hear these words directed to ourselves. We are all God's children, all his beloved, and his favour rests on us. If the angel Gabriel greeted Mary with the words: "Hail, full of grace!" we too begin our Christian lives, in many cases often our human lives, in the grace and favour of our God.

What does it mean to be God's beloved? It does not mean that life will be easy for us. We have only to look at the life of Jesus himself to see that. It does mean that, as Jesus will say, there is not a hair of our head that is not accounted for. All human beings, just by being born, enter into the great mystery of creation. As Christians we believe that we are held under the concern of our God who cares for us more than any parent for their child and yet also challenges us to forge our lives in the image of his Son. We are also called to hold each other as "beloved", for in baptism we also take on the responsibility of being priests, prophets and kings.

Fr John

PLANNED GIVING SUCCESS:

The Diocesan Gift Aid office has recently advised that the repayment due to our parish for the first 6 months of the financial year 2018/19 (April to September) is £1635.99. This is the amount of money the parish claims back from the Government because of the parishioners who make their church collections using the Planned Giving envelopes or bankers order. If you are a tax payer, your collection payments to the church have already been taxed, and it is this tax which the church is able to reclaim at no cost to you. If you wish to join the Planned Giving scheme please contact Kevin Tel: 348795.

Discipleship and Mission

The Bishop has invited David Wells from the Diocese of Plymouth to lead us in an evening of learning and discovery. Our local evening will take place on **Wednesday February 6th** at 7.00pm in the Diocesan Centre Mackworth. We have 2 places. If you are interested in attending, please sign up on the list on the notice board, and we will draw the successful names out of a hat!

Rural and Catholic:

The Catholic Churches Working Group on Rural Issues organises an annual conference to closely and proactively examine the issues of the day. In a diocese like ours this is a real opportunity to explore issues that impact on the life of our rural parishioners and parishes. The conference will be held at Sarum College, Salisbury, from **25th-27th February**. Website and booking: www.ruralcatholics.org.uk

EU Settlement Scheme

The following note has been received from Our Bishops' Conference. For details of what and who are involved, please see the notice at the back of church:

"As you will be aware, Brexit is causing uncertainty and concern to many EU citizens living in the UK. Both clergy and laity alike share this uncertainty and concern. Apart from those who are uncertain about their future, others are inevitably in a state of ignorance and unaware that Brexit will affect their immigration status. In March 2019, the Government is due to launch a Settlement Scheme. All EU citizens living in the UK will be required to make an application if they wish to remain here after Brexit. However, Irish citizens will not be required to apply as their rights are separately protected. Many parishioners, priests and religious in our Dioceses will be affected.

Next week there will be a retiring collection for the **Sick and Retired Priests' Fund**. Please take one of the special envelopes if you wish to gift aid your collection. Many thanks.

On the shelf in the church entrance you will find a copy of the **Health and Safety Practices** for the parish. Please consult it for any issue regarding such matters, including complaints procedures! For further enlightenment contact Fr John or Jenny Whitby (01335 346134).

Please find copies of the latest **ACT spring newsheet** to be taken at the back of church.

Our prayers and condolences go to **Eric Walker** and his family on the death of his wife **Bernie**. Bernie's body will be brought into church here at All saints on Sunday 20th January at 5.00pm and her Requiem Mass will be at 9.45am on **Monday 21st January** followed by cremation at Markeaton at 11.00am. *May she rest in peace.*

Fire Emergency/Evacuation Training

Training by Precision Safety
Date & Time: **Wednesday 13th February**; 7.00pm-9.00pm
Venue: St Joseph's Parish Centre, Burton Rd, Derby, DE1 1TJ. Please let Fr. John know if you are interested in attending this event.

Please remember in your prayers the following people

who are sick or housebound: Joe Ashton, Sister Attracta, John Atwood, Bruno Bradley, Fr. John Cairns, Fr Tony Colebrook, Sir Colin Corness, Erika Cundy, Fr Hugh Doherty, Fr. Stephan Foster, Fr. John Guest, Jerry and Janet Hannifan, Jim Hannigan, Monica Hoptroff, Edmund Jarvis, Mgr. Jonathan Moore, Chris Neal, Fr. Dominic O'Connor, Fr. Joseph O'Hanlon, Deirdre O'Ryan, Mgr Joe Phelan, Pat O'Donnell, Fr. Eamonn O'Hara, Joan Shaw, Jenny Whitby and Brian Whitby. *May they be comforted and healed.*

We remember in prayer our departed brothers and sisters, especially: Bernie Walker, who died recently, and Goldi Webster, Jack Scott, Evelyn Duesbury, Alexandra O'Hea, John Ballardie, Howard Harris and all whose anniversaries occur about this time. *May the Lord welcome them with gladness.*