

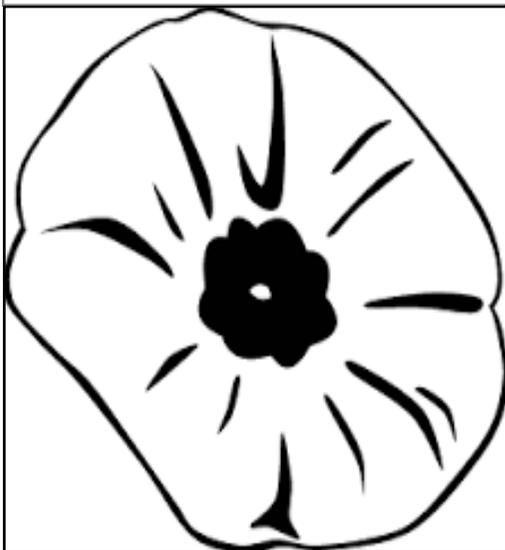


CATHOLIC CHURCH IN LONGDENDALE



PARISH NEWSLETTER

THIRTY-THIRD (Remembrance) SUNDAY (B)
Nov 14th 2021



PRAYER FOR THE WORLD DAY FOR THE POOR

We ask you, Lord God, to help us set aside material wealth so as to recognise the spiritual riches of patience, compassion and love for all your people.

As we journey through this life side by side, may we learn to support one another with the combined wealth of youth, strength, wisdom and experience until we are called to the place you have prepared for all those who are poor in spirit and rich in love.

Through Christ our Lord:

Amen.

We will remember them

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DATE**MASS****OTHER**

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| Sun 14th | SUNDAY 33 (Remembrance) 9.15 (BB) Billy Redmond RIP (fam) 11am (HAD) Mary Perry RIP | |
| Mon 15th | St Albert the Great 9.30 (HAD) Ian & Christopher Brierley RIP (fam) | |
| Tues 16th | St Margaret, Queen of Scotland 9.30 (HAD) Elizabeth Heffron RIP (JM) <i>11.30 (HAD) funeral of Harold Midwood RIP</i> | |
| Weds 17th | ST HUGH OF LINCOLN (patron of our Diocese) 9.30 (HAD) George Simpson RIP (fam) <i>11.30 (HAD) funeral of Bernard Moran RIP</i> | |
| Thurs 18th | DEDICATION OF Ss PETER'S & PAUL'S BASILICAS 9.30 (HAD) Holy Souls (LG) | |
| Fri 19th | St Elizabeth of Hungary 9.30 (BB) Denise Walsh's welfare (MD) <i>noon (HAD) funeral of Mary Teresa Bolger RIP</i> | |
| Sat 20th | feria 9.30 (HAD) Gertrude McSherry RIP (fam) | |
| Sun 21st | CHRIST THE KING 9.15 (BB) Thomas Heywood RIP (JM) 11am (HAD) for the parish | |

33rd SUNDAY (B)

Psalter Week 1

Introduction to the Readings : The Son of Man will come with glory and power, to gather the faithful to the Kingdom.

First Reading : **Dan 12** : On the `Day of the Lord` the faithful will be spared.

Resp Ps : **PRESERVE ME GOD, I TAKE REFUGE IN YOU**

Second Reading : **Hebr 10** : Christ through his perfect sacrifice, has won our salvation for once and for all.

Gospel : **Mk 13** : He will gather his chosen from the four winds.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND and ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH

Please remember to support and pray for those listed as sick and housebound in our parish: Peter James, Pauline Anderson, Isabella Phillips, Monica Krommendijk, Joe Singleton, Una Wilkinson, David Healey, Josie & Peter Cowden, Nella Lewyckyj, Jacob Ibbotson, Evelyn Matthewman, Neil Appleton, Alice Canning, Sheila Gerrard.

Please recall in prayer our deceased priests and parishioners whose anniversaries occur about this time: Bishop Hendren, Revv George Tutto, Humphrey Wilson, Bill Purdy, Alan Molyneux, Joe Neary; Christopher Partridge, Eric Stafford, Winnie Coxon, Mary Baldwin, Eric Stafford, John Ryan, Marjorie Byrd, Kathleen Stokes, Kieran Grogan:

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, may they rest in peace. Amen

PARISH NOTES

THIS WEEK we celebrate the 33rd Sunday. It is the last 'numbered' Sunday in Ordinary time. The Sunday readings invite us to consider the 'end days', when Jesus will come and draw a curtain across time, and the Last Judgement will lead us (God willing) to eternal bliss. This Sunday has two other coincidences:

- *It is Remembrance Sunday, and we join the world in pausing for a reflective and prayerful two minutes in thanksgiving for those whose heroism led to their death in conflict;*
- *It is World Day of Prayer for the Poor*

During Mass this Sunday we will pause a moment at the time of the Bidding Prayers to remember and pray for those parishioners who have died in the last year.

THIS SUNDAY the Mass at St Charles will begin after the Two Minutes silence. I hope to visit **Glossop Cemetery** at 2.30 to pray for and bless the resting-places of your relatives and friends.

NEXT SUNDAY We honour **Our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe.**

SAINTS ALIVE

Among the saints celebrated this week we find

- ***St Margaret, Queen of Scotland.*** We invite her intercession for the school community of St Margaret's on the edge of Gamesley.
- ***St Hugh of Lincoln*** is celebrated on Wednesday. This 12th century saint came from monastic life in France to be Bishop of Lincoln, and to set about building the magnificent cathedral in that city in our diocese.

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY OF THE CHURCH Finn Kiernan, baptised this weekend at St Charles. May your Holy Guardian Angel always care for you.

MARY PERRY (90) RIP I am grateful to Fr Martin Sylvester for agreeing to celebrate the Requiem Mass at St Charles and committal rituals for this devout parishioner recently-deceased. Her Requiem Mass is diaried for 11.45 on Wednesday 24th November. May she

rest in peace.

ST CHARLES TOTE Recent winners: £30 : M Brierley; £20 : J Greenall. Thank you to all who support our parishes through the totes, and greater thanks to those who administer them.

LAST SUNDAY'S MASS at St Charles had its moments of high drama at the time of Holy Communion. A visiting worshipper, Bernard Nagle, had come to Mass ahead of the funeral (last Friday) of his brother. Sadly he collapsed whilst preparing to receive Holy Communion. Inevitably there was immediately much concern and a certain amount of confusion. I and his family were profoundly grateful for the attention he immediately received from attentive parishioners. He came round somewhat after Mass, and the summoned ambulance arrived very promptly (renewed thanks!) and he spent much of the week received medical care in Tameside Hospital. Happily he was able to be present at his brother's funeral.

An unfortunate consequence of that 'confusion' towards the end of Mass meant that we couldn't celebrate as we wished, and as had been planned for the 94th birthday of the 'father of St Charles parish', Tom Berry. Belated Happy Birthday Tom!

SYNOD CONVERSATION I hope that this Sunday afternoon the 14th November at 3.30 you will come along to St Charles church so that as joint parishes we may consider our response the present to the Bishop our perceived priorities for the future of parish and church. At the back of St Charles church you'll find a new Suggestions Box. If you have ideas & dreams for the future of parish and our church, please write a note, even anonymously, and leave it there.

The Synod consultation plan offers two questions to start our consideration, and will guide out discussion next Sunday afternoon:

- 1) What is my dream for the Church, for my parish so that it can become more outward-looking, more missionary?
- 2) What do we need to stop doing? What are we doing that needs to be developed or done differently?

Additionally, our diocese offers the Synod Online form – For those unable to join our parish meetings you can submit your responses to the parish questions online by visiting www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/synod2023 and clicking on 'HAVE YOUR SAY'. The information submitted will feed into our own parish reflections. This form can also be used by those on the margins of the Church or who are not a Catholic. We are being invited to ask those furthest away from our community to be involved so I encourage you to share this with friends and family. Scan the QR code to go directly to the form.

COFFEE AND COMPANY At St Charles after Sunday Mass we have resumed our customary gathering in the oratory for refreshment and chat. Whilst respecting some folks' COVID restraints, I hope that more worshippers will stay awhile and enjoy good companionship and excellent refreshment. And huge thanks to the 'kitchen staff'.

CARITAS DIOCESE OF NOTTINGHAM has messaged to invite one and all to a Zoom gathering next Saturday 20th Nov. 10am to 1.15pm. It is called 'Change of an Era', and focusses on the outcomes of COP26 and the influence on diocese and parishes and parishioners. Several high-powered speakers are booked. Go to www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/changeofera to book.

A JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE Diocesan priests from throughout England and Wales who celebrate significant anniversaries of ordination, are offered a special treat. Those with Ruby, Golden, Diamond (and rarely Platinum) anniversaries are offered a Mon—Fri trip to Rome, staying at Palazzola in the Alban hills south of Rome, overlooking Castel del Gandolfo - a beautiful place! The highlight of the week is a presence at the Wednesday Papal audience.

I was blessed enough to make this pilgrimage ten years ago. Thank God I received the invitation again this year, and cheerfully and thankfully accepted.

The cheer was much diminished for me and doubtless all prospective jubilee-pilgrims when faced with the rock-face of COVID-associated entry-and-return demands. I think I've managed to trawl through endless webpages to arm myself with enough 'permits to go and come', and will carry a library-full associated documents to get me in and out of St Peter's Square and back for the First Sunday of Advent, God Willing. But I wish I'd bought shares in the COVID-testing companies who charge up hill and down dale to luckless travellers. On second thoughts, maybe not.