



THE PARISH OF ST. PATRICK & ST. GEORGE



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WEEKLY BULLETIN 3rd – 9th OCTOBER 2021

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY OF YEAR B

Sunday, 3rd October	St Patrick's, Forest Town	11.00 am Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Tuesday, 5th October	St Patrick's School	2.15 pm Mass	
Sunday, 10th October	St Patrick's, Forest Town	11.00 am Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>

ROTAS

Sunday, 3rd October	Mass	Stewards: Cory & Linda Counters: Ken & Rosie	Reader: Mary Cleaning: Rosie & Sheila
Sunday, 10th October	Mass	Stewards: Jackie & Colin Counters: Jackie & Colin	Reader: Ian Cleaning: Rosie & Sheila

OTHER LOCAL MASSES FROM 4th/5th SEPTEMBER

Saturday St Joseph, Ollerton 5.00 pm St Joseph, Shirebrook 5.00 pm St Philip Neri 6.00 pm
Sunday St Teresa's, Warsop 9.00 am St Philip Neri 9.00 am, 11.00 am and 5.00 pm

BOOKINGS WILL NO LONGER BE REQUIRED FOR MASS. HOWEVER, IN THE INTERESTS OF HEALTH AND SAFETY, PARISHIONERS ATTENDING MASS ARE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED TO CONTINUE WEARING FACE MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING OF AT LEAST ONE METRE SHOULD BE OBSERVED.

LIVE MASS STREAMS THIS WEEK: Please refer to the Diocesan website for details of live-streamed Masses. Bishop Patrick's channel on YouTube also has details. See also www.mass-online.org or www.churchservices.tv and www.vaticannews.va for other live-streamed services and messages from Pope Francis.

Your Prayers are requested for: Mary S; Stephanie W; Garry; Malcolm S; Jay; Liz T (Anne's niece); Jackson L (in thanksgiving for a recovery from his operation); Martin M; Rosemary S; Tina T; Mary C, KP (Karen's brother-in-law), Joseph D, Noel De L; Danny De L; Dianna B, Mary M, Theresa D; Ron and Jean M; Fr John C, Claire D, Richard G-O and Mrs C. Casey . All those suffering from the coronavirus and those working in the NHS or Care Services; those working in essential services to keep our country functioning. *Please let Fr John know of anyone who would like to be remembered in our prayers.*

Prayer for the Year of Saint Joseph: Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Food Bank: The Food Bank is being used by an increasing number of families but the amount donated has severely dropped. We are running short of lots of items. Please donate if you can by leaving the items at the back of the church or delivering them to the Stables Centre, Mansfield Woodhouse on a Thursday afternoon between 1.30 and 3.30pm. Items most needed are: cleaning materials (washing up liquid, surface cleaner, laundry detergent), toiletries, tinned hot or cold meat, fruit juice, coffee, size 5 nappies. thank you for your continued generosity.

PRAYER FOR THE SEASON OF CREATION (1st September – 4th October)

Creator of All, We are grateful that from your communion of love you created our planet to be a home for all. By your Holy Wisdom you made the Earth to bring forth a diversity of living beings that filled the soil, water and air. Each part of creation praises you in their being, and cares for one another from our place in the web of life.

With the Psalmist, we sing your praise that in your house “even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young.” We remember that you call human beings to keep your garden in ways that honour the dignity of each creature and conserve their place in the abundance of life on Earth.

But we know that our will to power pushes the planet beyond her limits. Our consumption is out of harmony and rhythm with Earth’s capacity to heal herself. Habitats are left barren or lost. Species are lost and systems fail. Where reefs and burrows, mountaintops and ocean depths once teemed with life and relationships, wet and dry deserts lie empty, as if uncreated. Human families are displaced by insecurity and conflict, migrating in search of peace. Animals flee fires, deforestation and famine, wandering in search of a new place to find a home to lay their young and live.

In this Season of Creation, we pray that the breath of your creative Word would move our hearts, as in the waters of our birth and baptism. Give us faith to follow Christ to our just place in the beloved community. Enlighten us with the grace to respond to your covenant and call to care for our common home. In our tilling and keeping, gladden our hearts to know that we participate with your Holy Spirit to renew the face of your Earth, and safeguard a home for all.

In the name of the One who came to proclaim good news to all creation, Jesus Christ. Amen.

FIRST COMMUNION: We are hoping that children who should have celebrated their First Holy Communion earlier this year will be able to do so on Saturday, 4th December. Preparation sessions will be held on 10th and 31st October and 21st and 28th November after 11,00 am Mass. Further details from Mrs Smedley at St Patrick’s School.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY There will be a short presentation from St Patrick’s School pupils at Mass this weekend and pupils will collect envelopes and donations as people leave the church.

SCHOOL NEWS: Details of schools’ activities are available on their respective websites and also at www.ololcatholicmat.co.uk from which you can access the **Be Inspirational** website for our younger parishioners.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED: Help with cleaning, counting, reading, Children’s Liturgy and other ministries is welcome. Please let Fr John or Ken Daly know if you are able to spare an hour or two every so often.

CHURCH GROUNDS: The shrubbery around the church has been cut back to relieve visibility problems noted by Highways England and also to enable us to maintain the beds more easily. Offers of help with the watering of the newly seeded area (twice a day for the next four weeks) will be gratefully accepted. Please contact Ken Daly if you can help even on one or two occasions.

EMILY HARRIS FOUNDATION: Cory offers his sincere thanks to everyone who supported this Raffle in aid of the Emily Harris Foundation. A cheque for over £1,200 was recently presented to Clare Harris. Sincere thanks to Cory and Debs for all their work on this project.

BINGO IS BACK: Cory and Debbie are re-introducing Bingo Sessions on a Thursday at 7.00 pm in the Parish Hall. Raffle and Scratchcard prizes and refreshments. Proceeds to the Emily Harris Foundation. All welcome.



PARISH FINANCES: Sunday, 26th September Envelopes £140.00 Loose Plate £67.00 Total £207.00
CAFOD £10.00 Development Fund £42.77

Thank you for your generosity

FR PAUL’S INDUCTION AT CHRIST THE KING: Fr Paul is being inducted into his new parish on **Monday 18th October** at 6.00 pm and has issued an invitation to any parishioner who would like to join him for that occasion. Please confirm your attendance with Fr Paul if you have his contact details or on ctkchurch@sky.com or 01773 833174