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On Saturday, 26 January, 2019 the Cadeby Main Colliery Pit Wheel was dedicated near Kilners Bridge in Denaby

Denaby Main was originally a company village built by the Denaby Main Colliery Company Ltd. Denaby Main Colliery began production in 1868 mining coal from the Barnsley Main seam. Cadeby Main Colliery began production in 1893, employing 2000 miners. By 1903 both collieries were employing over 4,500 men and boys.

In 1894 Fr Thomas Kavanagh arrived in the village with the task of establishing a Catholic Church to meet the spiritual, religious and pastoral needs of miners and their families drawn mainly from the growing Irish community, attracted by employment opportunities and housing.

Andrew Montague, whose family owned much of the land in Denaby Main, offered Fr Kavanagh an acre of land to build a church. The foundation stone was laid in 1897 and work began immediately on building the church. On the feast of St Alban in June, 1898, St Alban's Catholic Church was officially opened by Rt Rev William Gordon,

Bishop of Leeds. The service was attended by many local dignitaries. After Mass lunch was provided at Rossington Street Infants School where Bishop Gordon congratulated Fr Kavanagh on achieving his goal.

St Alban's parishioners and the wider community prospered but they also had to endure 1902/03 Bag Muck Strike and mass evictions, 1912 Cadeby Main Colliery Disaster, 1921 Strike, 1926 General Strike, 1972 and 1974 Strikes and 1984/85 Miners Strike.

Cadeby Main Colliery closed on Christmas Eve 1986. Miners, trade unions, the churches and community exhausted the appeal procedures in their determination to save the colliery.

Jeff Lovell, Chair of the Cadeby Main Colliery Memorial Group, and his committee organised the Dedication of Cadeby Main Colliery Pit Wheel which was dedicated by Rev Reg Davies, Vicar of All Saints Parish Church, Denaby and Fr Patrick O'Connor. Many members of the community, trade unions and visitors attended. St Alban's parishioners, who are extremely proud of their heritage and history, were well represented.

Dedication of Cadeby Main Colliery Pit Wheel



At the Dedication of the Cadeby Main Colliery Pit Wheel near Kilners Bridge, left to right: Jim Reeve, former miner, Michael Rodgers, former Cadeby Main NUM Branch Delegate, Steven Hamilton, former miner, Patrick O'Neill, former Cadeby Main NUM Committee Member, Rev Reg Davies, Vicar of All Saints Parish Church and Fr Patrick O'Connor

Remembering 30th Anniversary

2015 marked the thirtieth anniversary of the end of the miners' strike of 1984/5. At the invitation of Rev Reg Davies, Vicar of All Saints Church, Denaby, Fr Bill Bergin, then Parish Priest of St Alban's, and a group of parishioners from St Alban's celebrated Mass in the Denaby and Cadeby Miners Memorial Chapel in All Saints Church, (pictured on the left).

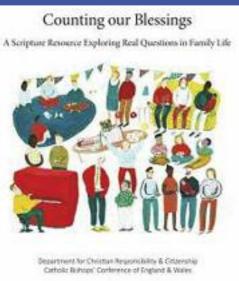
Remembering Our Miners Celebrating Mass in the Miners Memorial Chapel has become a tradition and an annual event in St Alban's parish and, on Spring Bank Holiday Monday, 2017, Fr Desmond Edozie, Parish Priest of St Alban's, celebrated Mass with parishioners from St Alban's and English Martyrs Parishes, (pictured on page 5).

Fr Desmond commented, "It is important that we remember our miners who worked at Denaby Main and Cadeby Main Collieries. They and their families created the parish of St Alban's in part-nership with their priests and religious sisters. We are in their debt. A special thanks to Rev Reg Davies and his parishioners for allowing us to celebrate Mass in the Miners Memorial Chapel."

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- 6 Hallam Ascent Group meet at St Francis of Assisi Church Hall, Sandygate Road, Sheffield, S10 5SD, for an Ash Wednesday Soup and Cheese Lunch after Mass at noon. For more details telephone 0114 2306797, email ascent@jngreen.plus.com or visit the website: hallamascent.weebly.com.
- 12 Sheffield Branch Walsing ham Association serves refreshments after 12.45pm Mass at St Marie's Cathe dral, Sheffield.
- Chesterfield Bereavement Support Group Drop-in/ coffee morning, 10.30am-12noon, The Annunciation Centre, Spencer Street, Chesterfield, S40 4SD.
- Sheffield Irish Association Tea Dance, with live music and refreshments, Philadelphia Club, Martin Street, Upperthorpe, Sheffield, S6 3DP, 1-3pm. All are welcome.
 - Sheffield Branch Walsing ham Association serves refreshments after 12.45pm Mass at St Marie's Cathe dral, Sheffield.

Cursillo Residential Weekend for 2019

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Thursday evening 4 April to Sunday, 7 April at The Briars, Catholic Youth Retreat Centre, Crich, Matlock. For more details please contact Eileen Owens, 07938 578942 or austincorcoran@blueyonder.co.uk.

Art Talks by Deacon Bill

This series of Saturday morning talks at the Hallam Pastoral Centre provides an opportunity for prayer and reflection based on famous artworks, exploring paintings with a seasonal theme. The next session takes place on Saturday, 6 April, 10.15am.





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All are warmly invited to join us to consider possible responses to the many global, national and local environmental challenges facing us as Catholics in this time and space.

When: Saturday, 6 April
Venue and times: to be confirmed
For more information please contact:
justiceandpeace@hallam-diocese.com

ST VINCENT'S FURNITURE STORE ROCK & ROLL NIGHT FUNDRAISER Featuring 'The BUNGALOW BAND'

on Friday, 26 April, 7.30–11pm at the De La Salle Association Clubrooms Beauchief Hall, Beauchief Rise (off Abbey Lane) Tickets £12.00 (Including 'Pie and Pea' supper)

To order tickets call 0114 2703994 or 0114 2748764 The proceeds will be used to help St Vincent's Furniture Store re-furnish new found homes for homeless people.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this Month



This month the diocesan rota for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is as follows:

3 St Mary Magdalene, Maltby. St Bede, Rotherham.

Holy Spirit, Dronfield.
St. Joseph, Workson

St Joseph, Worksop.St William of York, Sheffield.

CONSENT FORMS

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Father John Serjeant RIP

A little over ten years ago the Hallam News celebrated John Serjeant's ordination to the priesthood which took place on 8 December, 2008 at The Annunciation Church, Chesterfield. Bishop John officiated at the service. He was assisted by a number of priests from the Diocese and Deanery. In his homily Bishop John encouraged Fr John to share in the same ministry as Christ by remembering the example of the Good Shepherd, through a life of service.

Bishop John paid a special tribute to Fr Frank Flynn who encouraged and accompanied Fr John in his journey towards the priesthood. The Bishop also thanked John Wilson, who also played a part in John's journey.

Fr John is a former Anglican priest. His son Jerry and twin grand-daughters, Rachel and Anna, also attended the service with their mother, Jo. Jerry said, "I'm very proud of him."

Fr John was appointed to serve in the Chesterfield Deanery. He is pictured above with Bishop John (left) and Fr Frank Flynn (right) on the occasion of his ordination.

He spent the early days of his priesthood in The Annunciation parish, where he often visited St Mary's Primary School. The staff and children really appreciated his visits. One pupil was especially excited because he thought Fr John was the same John Sergeant who was at that time having great success on Strictly Come Dancing. Needless to say this was much to Fr John's amusement. Fr John died on 9 December, 2018. His

son paid this tribute to his dad at his Funeral Mass at The Annunciation Church on 4 January.

Welcome

Thank you all for coming to celebrate the life and pray for the soul of my Dad, John Serjeant. He was many things to many people throughout his life. Son, Husband, Dad, Grandad, Great Grandad, Father in Law, Neighbour, Friend.

In his professional life

He was Vicar of St Luke's and St James' Churches in Manchester. He established the role of Hospital Chaplain at the Royal Hospital here in Chesterfield. He joined the Catholic family in Chesterfield in 2008 and joined the priesthood and became Fr John.

The person

A real 'People Person' who was always able to strike up a conversation with anybody. A good listener who was interested in people's lives and wanted to help them with their problems. As a boy I always felt immense pride in the way he was able to capture an audience, perhaps from the pulpit at church or Sunday School, where he would always have the children squealing with laughter whilst at the same time delivering his message about God's love.

Anywhere/anyone

His ability to connect with people was always very evident at football matches. His allegiances were always with Ipswich Town (his home town team) or 'The Arsenal' for whom his fondness grew when he studied Theology at King's College.

He would always end up laughing with those around him at the match at Manchester City, telling stories and sometimes discussing issues with them. He was never impressed by social status and treated everyone exactly the same. I remember one occasion we were sat near the BBC commentary desk at City and he spotted an ex-Arsenal 'great', Ray Parlour with a pair of headphones on. He wandered over ... "Hello Ray" with a big, beaming smile. At first I detected the caution in Ray's eyes but I needn't worry, they were laughing away, chatting quite quickly.

When I was a young boy, Dad asked me why I thought someone who cleaned toilets in Piccadilly, Manchester didn't get paid the same as the chairman of ICI ... I don't think he really believed the pay should be the same for both, but I think it was his way of suggesting to me that everyone is equal in God's eyes.

Memories

The jokes (oh the jokes). The amazing Grandad, chasing his grandchildren around the house. The stories ... could

easily have become a successful children's author, he could make up stories on the spot, often about the mouse he kept as a boy, Monty Mouse.

His laughter, tears rolling down his face laughing at Corporal Jones on Dad's Army on TV.

Stories about his early childhood ... the fighters and bombers over his childhood home in Ipswich.

Daft things will always remind me of him. Burnt toast! Fish and chips! Eton Mess! Pickled onions! VWs! Coleman's mustard ... that sneeze! Brass bands!

Goodbye DadStill joking in his final days ... lying in bed pretending to box with me.

A big thumbs up and a smile when told (after the last rites) that he'd had his 'passport stamped and was ready to fly'. Thanks for everything Dad. We all love you very much and we will all miss you and remember you for so many different reasons. We can all still feel your love even now. You were a wonderful man. Rest in Peace and may God bless you.

Father Daniel O'Leary RIP

Fr Donal O'Leary was a priest of the Leeds Diocese, who had a huge influence on many teachers and head-teachers in the Hallam Diocese. He was a priest at St Marie's, Sheffield before the Diocese of Hallam was established.

He later joined the academic staff of St Mary's, Strawberry Hill, where he was Chair of the Religious Studies Department. He was renowned as a retreat giver to clergy, parishes and educationalists, both in this country and abroad. His theology, spirituality and authenticity were an inspiration to countless people who encountered him in person or through his writings.

The main aim of his message was to teach "the sacramental imagination"; the vision of God's Incarnate presence everywhere, which transforms our



Fr Donal O'Leary

lives

He will be greatly missed. May he rest in peace.

Support for Separated and Divorced Catholics

Do you need help recovering from relationship breakdown? The Restored Lives https://www.restoredlives.org/ course supports and empowers people to move forward from divorce and separation, or the breakdown of any serious relationship, to live a full life, free from past issues.

Whatever your situation, background or belief, it gives you emotional and practical support to recover from relationship breakdown in a safe, non-judgemental environment.

Although you may feel isolated, you are not alone. Come on a course to meet people in a similar situation and listen to expert advice, as well as numerous stories from people who have successfully moved on.

Hallam Caring Services is planning to run a course in the spring of 2019. The six session course costs £30 including a work book and refreshments. For more information, please contact Susan Tym stym@hallam-diocese.com, 0114 2566407.



Celebration Mass and LGTB Ministry Blessed BRUNCH

We gathered on Sunday, 9 December at the Bar Convent. York to celebrate the first anniversary of the inauguration of the new ministry that gives an explicit welcome to LGBT+ Catholics, their families and friends.

Every second Sunday of the month since December, 2017. the Sisters of the Bar Convent have welcomed hundreds from across the north of England - and from all Dioceses who would like to attend the mid-afternoon Mass, ministered by Fr Tony.

At these monthly Masses, LGBT sisters and brothers and their families and friends come to truly know that they are welcome and have a place in the Diocese and in the celebration of the Holy Mass. Finally, the question that was asked, "How do the people of faith and who identify as LGBT+ hear the Good News of Jesus Christ in a place where All Are Welcome" has been answered. One year on from that momentous beginning, attendance at these monthly Masses has exceeded all expectations with the Chapel being packed to the rafters. It has been a truly remarkable journey and an in-



credible outpouring that has reaffirmed many people in their faith and in their sense of belonging within the Catholic Church.

In reaching out, and through prayer and patient listening, this outreach has proven to be completely transparent and genuinely focussed on assuaging the anxieties of LGBT+ Catholics progressing in their journey to God and in their relationship with the

Church.

All people of Good Will are welcome to be part of this great development and we are especially grateful for all the prayers and kind words that have come our way because of this ground-breaking ministry. At the Celebration Mass in December, Bishop Terry, Diocese of Middlesbrough, cocelebrated and affirmed his support for the wonderful work that has been undertaken by Fr Tony and his team.

In December it was announced that another English Diocese - with the active support of their Bishop - will also begin regular Masses for the LGBT+ community, family and friends. This Diocese will make its own announcement in due time and we offer them all our prayers that the Holy Spirit guide and lead this new ministry to ever closer union



A person once asked me, in a provocative manner, If I approved of homosexuality. I replied with another question: 'Tell me: when God looks at a gay person, does he endorse the existence of this person with love, or reject and condemn this person?" We must always consider the person.

— Pope Francis —

It is deplorable that homosexual persons have been and are the object of violent malice in speech or in action. Such treatment deserves condemnation from the church's pastors wherever it occurs.... The intrinsic dignity of each person must always be respected in work, in action and in law.

with the merciful heart of Jesus Christ our saviour. Anyone from Hallam Diocese who would like to know more about this ministry can www.lgbtmiddlesbrough.org.u k to get the latest information.

Dominic Maloney Sacred Heart Church, Hillsborough



On Saturday, 24 November women from across the Hallam Diocese met for brunch at the Annunciation Parish Centre. This was an opportunity for women of all ages to gather together for food, prayer and social time and was a follow up to the first Diocesan Blessed Brunch held at St Vincent's Parish Centre, Sheffield in June of last year.

This initiative was started by 'Blessed Is She', an online community of Catholic women. This ministry provides a whole host of online resources designed to enrich the spiritual lives of women in the Catholic Church. To find out more and to sign up for reflections on the readings of the day visit blessedisshe.net.

The next Blessed Brunch will be held at St Joseph's, Dinnington on Saturday, 23 March, 10am-12pm. We would love to invite all women to come and share in what is sure to be another wonderful opportunity to get to know one another. Please do bring along little ones and something for the shared table if you are able to.

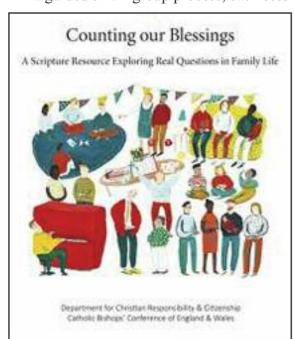
Look out for further details in your parish bulletin and on Facebook. For more information please email Helen Loxley, hloxley@stmaryschesterfield.org.uk, or Eleanor Hill, eleanorhill@jx10ministries.org.uk.



Counting Our Blessings

Counting our Blessings is a new scripture-based resource, produced by the Department for Christian Responsibility and Citizenship at the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, to support parish and school communities as they accompany families on their faith journey.

In a guided small-group process, each session explores a real question about life in everyday



language, eg 'What helps you to 'hang on in there' when the going gets tough?' And then to hear the voice of God through scripture.

Sessions can be used for different times of the Church year or as support for sacramental preparation.

A group at Mother of God Parish, Sheffield explored the question about forgiveness as part of their preparation for Advent. Parishioners commented, "It was easy to use and prompted thoughts and reflections about the blessing of forgiveness in our lives."

For more information visit the website. http://www.catholicfamily.org.uk/news/counting-our-blessings-new-scripture-resource-forfamilies, or contact Susan Tym at Marriage and Family Life, email: stym@hallam-diocese.com, tel: 0114 2566407.



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Society of St Vincent de Paul - Changing Lives

Recent articles about the St Vincent de Paul Society – SVP – have covered a range of aspects of the society including its founder, its history and more recently how it works and what it does locally. This article is the start of an occasional series presenting factual accounts of SVP activity, taken from the SVP publication 'Changing Lives', where SVP support and assistance has resulted in just that. Names have been changed to protect anonymity.

Visiting the lonely

When Tom's wife died after 22 years of marriage he muddled along, unable to express the deep grief he felt. When his cooker also broke down he felt life was conspiring against him. He contacted the SVP, grumbling that his 'dismal pension' wasn't enough to cover the cost of replacement.

We visited to find out exactly what Tom needed and discovered that the kitchen appliance had very little to do with it. The first time we met him he was grumpy and embarrassed to be asking for help.

We listened to his needs over a cup of tea. We were able to find him a cooker fairly quickly, but far more importantly, Tom has become a dear friend with whom we have shared many a cup of tea. As is so often the case the cooker was the cover for a much greater need. (Help us to love and respect those we visit and to understand their deeper needs)



Supporting the homeless



Paul's life fell apart in his mid-40s after a series of misfortunes and relationship breakdowns. He was forced to live in doorways and car parks as a result. However the local SVP Conference wouldn't allow him to let these hardships dictate the rest of his life. Instead they helped him set up a new home for himself and scoured the countless charity shops so that they could get all the basic necessities. It took some months but eventually Paul was settled into his new home and it was a joy to see him warm and comfortable. He wrote to his SVP helpers saying, 'Thank you all so much for turning my two rooms into a cosy home.'

(Love your neighbour as yourself)

Helping those in crisis

Anne contacted us when she awoke one day to find her niece, Laurie and Laurie's two young children on her doorstep. Laurie had finally found the courage to escape her abusive husband in Ireland and they had managed to get to Sheffield. Anne was delighted to see them but desperately worried as they had nothing: no clothes or possessions.

Within a couple of days the local SVP group had given the children toys and clothes, including a school uniform for the eldest child, as well as clothes for Laurie.

Fr Desmond celebrated Mass in the Miners Memorial Chapel on 28th May last year. Parishioners are pictured below in the Chapel with Rev Reg Davies, Vicar of All Saints Church, Denaby Main.



Jo, the SVP member who visited the family said, "It was humbling being spontaneously hugged by a cheeky 4 year old who was beyond delighted with his clothes and toys; even more so when I said he could keep them."

(Come Holy Spirit, kindle within us the fire of your love that we work with humility)

These are just three examples of how the SVP has provided assistance to help change peoples' lives.

If you would like more information about the SVP, or are interested in joining, please contact Lance Philpott, Membership Development Officer for



the Hallam Diocese, by email: Lancep@svp.org.uk.

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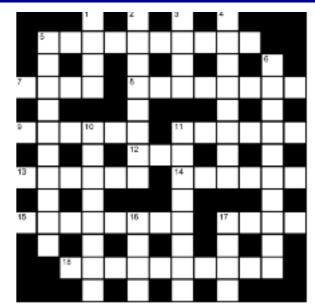
THOSE EAGER WORD BUFFS AMONG OUR READERSHIP

Acros

- 5 Recipients of a letter from Paul probably; NT book (10)
- 7 Ancestor of a race of giants, as mentioned in Exodus and elsewhere (4)
- 8 Stay on pace; marching order
- (4,4) 9 Sabotage (6)
- 11 '----- and Shepherds', song by
 Purcell and others (6)
- 12 Poetic paean (3)
- 13 Third-largest Nigerian city, site of the country's first university (6)
- 14 Preoccupy; haunt (6)
- 15 Scottish North Sea fishing town, famous for its 'smokies' (8)
- 17 Horizontal intrusion of igneous rock as seen in much of Hadrian's Wall: window feature (4)
- 18 First of three divisions of the Hebrew Scriptures (10)

Down

- 1 Anti-aircraft fire: criticism (4)
- 2 Israeli Mediterranean resort in its alternative, biblical, name (8)
- 3 Bird of prey, the red variety of which has been regenerated in the UK after near extinction (4)
- 4 Runaway slave owned by Philemon (8)
- 5 City synonymous with Anglicanism (10)
- 6 According to the Bible, he lived to be 969 years old (10)
- 10 Third largest of the Channel Islands (8)
- 11 Apprentice, novice (8)



- 16 City of the Italian Piedmont, noted for its sparkling wine (4)
- 17 Handel oratorio; united Kingdom of Israel's first ruler (4)

Solution:

Across: 5 Colossians, 7 Anak, 8 Keep step, 9 Derail, 11 Nymphs, 12 Ode, 13 Ibadan, 14 Obsess,

15 Arbroath, 17 Sill, 18 Pentateuch.

Down: 1 Flak, 2 Ashkelon, 3 Kite, 4 Onesimus, 5 Canterbury, 6 Methuselah, 10 Alderney,

11 Neophyte, 16 Asti, 17 Saul.

BENEMERENTI AWARDS FOR HALLAM PARISHIONERS

Betty Wade Holy Rood, Barnsley

Mrs Betty Wade, a parishioner of Holy Rood Parish, Barnsley was recently presented with the prestigious Benemerenti Medal and certificate by Parish Priest, Fr Damian Humphries, (pictured above).

Betty, now 87 years old, has played the organ at Holy Rood for 60 years - only retiring in recent years as she could no longer walk up the spiral staircase to the choir loft! This is a truly incredible achievement and a real lifetime of service. Betty played the organ for the choir at 9.30am Sunday Mass and often stayed to also play for the 11.15am Mass. In addition to this, there was the weekly choir practice every Thursday and many weddings, funerals and countless other special occasions.





Trevor Cryan St Mary Magdalene, Maltby

At the Christmas Eve Mass, 2018 at St Mary Magdalene's, Maltby, the Benemerenti Medal was presented to Trevor Cryan.

Trevor has been involved in the Music Ministry at St Mary's since 1978 when, after the death of the organist, Fr May asked Trevor if he could help provide the music at Mass until they found a new organist. Over the last 40 years Trevor, together with his late wife Gwen, and their three daughters Caroline, Adele and Helen, have led the music in the parish, not only at Sunday Mass but at the "Friday Night Healing Service". This started in 1978 with a group of twelve people meeting and grew rapidly, with people coming from all over the country to attend the service.

The parish Music Ministry now includes organist, Diane Vernon, and Trevor's great-grandchildren, Grace and Eddie. The Benemerenti Medal, awarded by

Pope Francis, is recognition of Trevor's huge contribution and dedication to the Music Ministry at St Mary's. This included weekly Mass, funerals, weddings and baptisms but also his involvement in numerous other initiatives, including the diocesan Charismatic Renewal Conferences that took place for many years, retreat days, Medjugorje Prayer Meetings,



Marian Days, Faith and Light, Prayer Group, Scripture Study, Journey in Faith and the National Bishops, Priests and Deacons Retreat each Easter.

Fr Leonard May, now retired but formerly Parish Priest of St Mary Magdalene's for many years, commented, "Trevor has given much of his life in service to the Church. He has a love and understanding of liturgy and has been committed to the Music Ministry for 40 years. His life has been one of humble and faithful service wherever he has been asked to serve – and he has done so happily."



Betty has totally dedicated her life to serve God and others in a most marvellous and inspiring way through her music ministry and the award of the Benemerenti from the Pope is richly deserved indeed.

After Mass, there were refreshments and a special cake for Betty to enjoy with people from the parish.

Congratulations to Diocesan CCRS Students

Many congratulations to the students who have recently successfully completed the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) course in the Diocese.

Pictured with Bishop Ralph after being presented with their certificates are (left to right) April Worrall, Bernadette Healy, Christine Wood, Susan O'Shea, Alexander Krzyz (at the back), Christine Battley, Petronella Klompenhouwer-Meijer. Congratulations also to Rachel Taylor who successfully completed the course.

CCRS is an introductory course in theology and scripture which enables adult members of the Church to continue to grow in understanding as they live their Catholic faith and take a full part in the Church's mission and life. The course offers teachers and workers in Catholic schools a basic understanding of the Church, its teaching and way of life. For catechists and anyone working in parishes, the course gives a basic understanding of the faith of the Catholic Church as a foundation for their ministry.

If you are interested in finding out more about the course, visit http://hallam-diocese.com/departments/adult-formation, email adulteducation@hallam-dio-



cese.com or call 0114 2566410.

This is a nationally recognised certificate and the course is validated by the Catholic Bishops' of England and Wales Conference.

A mix of teaching and discussion is involved during the eight modules which make up the course. In Hallam the sessions take place on Saturday mornings at the Hal-

lam Pastoral Centre in Sheffield. If you would like to study scripture, Church teaching, theology, and more you would be very welcome!



Memorial Mass at St William of York

St William of York Parish, Ecclesall Road, Sheffield invites families of all whose funerals have taken place in the parish during the year to come to a November Saturday Memorial Mass.

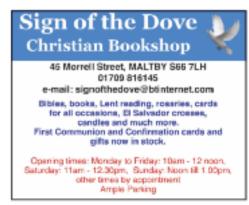
On arrival, everyone lights a candle for their deceased friends and loved ones who are mentioned by name during Mass in the prayer of the faithful.

Lunch in the parish centre rounds off a prayerful and uplifting occasion. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Fr John Cooke















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Up for a Challenge with St Wilfrid's Centre in 2019!

Why not join in some of St Wilfrid's Centre Fundraising events that are taking place in the next few months.

Everyone needs something to keep them going over the next few weeks, so why not think about taking part in the Sheffield Half Marathon or even St Wilfrid's Sleep Out 2019.

Sheffield Half Marathon

Join the St Wilfrid's Team and take part in the Sheffield Half Marathon on **Sunday, 14 April**.

We still have some charity places left but get in touch today to reserve your place. Minimum sponsorship: £80.

You can show your support by sponsoring Office Manager, Helen Lowry, who is taking part, by visiting www.just giving.com/helen-lowry1.

St Wilfrid's Sleep Out 2019

Returning for its second year on Friday, 29 March



TEMENOS AT WHIRLOW GRANGE

Temenos by Ric Stott and Ian Adams

Temenos is ten paintings by local artist Ric Stott that explore the idea of threshold space.

Poet Ian Adams has written arresting pieces that accompany the works.

At the launch, both artists will invite participants to absorb and be transformed by words and visuals

On **31 March**, Ric will use the exhibition to point people towards something deeper.

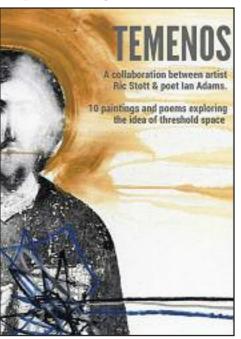
Lent Exhibition 5 March to 20 April

Launch with Ric and Ian 5 March, 7.30pm, cost £15

Contemplating Temenos with Ric, 31 March, 7pm, cost £10

For more information:

Whirlow Grange Spirituality Centre, Whirlow Grange Close, Sheffield, S11 9SY tel: 0114 2353704, email: events@whirlowspiritualitycentre.org





But with a difference. This year we are challenging you to sleep in our car park for one night only. Why not experience for yourself what it is like to sleep outside, next to a busy road. Breakfast, hot drinks, toilets and cardboard provided.

Interested? Contact Madeleine, tel: 0114 2555720 or visit www.stwilfridscentre.org to register your place. Places are limited so please reserve your spot soonest.

Marking Poverty Sunday in Sheffield City Centre

Sheffield Church Action on Poverty is marking **Poverty Sun-day, on 3 March,** with a special service and talk designed to encourage Christians to see poverty in a different light and consider how we can make a difference.

The event takes place at **3pm in St Matthew's Church on Carver Street**, in Sheffield's City
Centre. The speaker will be the
Very Rev Peter Bradley, Dean of
Sheffield's Anglican Cathedral.
He is chair of Sheffield's Fairness
and Tackling Poverty Partnership
and a member of the Sheffield
City Partnership Board.

For more information, contact Briony Broome, Secretary of Church Action on Poverty in Sheffield, email:

briony.broome@hotmail.co.uk.

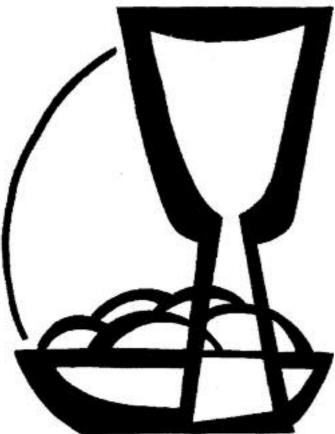
RENEWING THE LITURGY Six Simple Steps: 3 and 4

At the annual gathering of the priests of the Diocese last October the speaker was Tom O'Loughlin, Professor of Historical Theology at Nottingham University. Tom gave the priests of the Diocese Six Simple Steps which could go some way to achieving Vatican II's vision in our celebration of the Eucharist.

This month we take a look at steps 3 and 4.

Step 3: Stop ringing bells

There is an infamous description of Catholic worship as being impossible to understand but "supported by bells and smells!" We need to be aware that some things seem to survive in some churches even when they have lost their meaning – and bells are among them. It is worth noting "that the bell does not, nor did it ever, form part of the rubrics of the Missal." We may want to put all sorts of meaning to the use of bells, but they were basically not so much spiritual but practical. The first bell, when the priest held his hands over the bread and wine, was a signal to let musicians and singers know that the 'consecration' was near. In the days when the priest had his back to the people, the server who rang the bell was probably the only person who could see what was happening. And in those days a choir often sung the Sanctus while the priest prayed the Eucharistic Prayer (usually called the 'canon' in those days) in silence. Hearing the bell, the choir would then stop for the consecration and elevation, and then resume with the Benedictus immediately afterwards.



"The fourth bell was also linked to an action: the priest drinking his cup which marked completion of the 'Priest's Communion'. ... In an older mindset this

completed the actions one had to be present for in order to fulfil the obligation 'to hear Mass'. In effect, it was a signal to all but the most pious that they could now leave."

In between first and fourth bells were bells "marking the 'high point' of the Mass, the moment of the consecration. The bells sometimes went along with incense, and torches. But "given our liturgy today, and our awareness that a Eucharistic Prayer is far more than a 'formula of consecration,' bells are both unnecessary and confusing. Removing them stops an interruption in the flow of prayer which, if not distracting, encourages false interpretations of what we, the People of God, are doing."

Step 4: Provide the cup to all

"The long practice of not receiving Communion by the laity led to the disappearance of the cup by the 12th century at the latest, from all but the priest. ... It became a kind of Catholic orthodoxy that the cup was to be held firmly within the clerical sphere. Vatican II was clearly perturbed by this and ... what resulted was 'permission' for 'Communion under both species' on cer-



tain specified occasions. ... However, some bishops' conferences (<u>including our own</u>) obtained permission for more general access to the cup ...

"If we have already seen the importance of the fraction (the breaking of the bread) ... the revolutionary gesture of Jesus – sharing a cup with another – takes on a key significance. The gesture was unknown to those who were at table with Jesus, and it was this gesture that was distinctive for his followers. ... The willingness to share the cup of Jesus in the community shows our willingness to become Jesus' disciples."

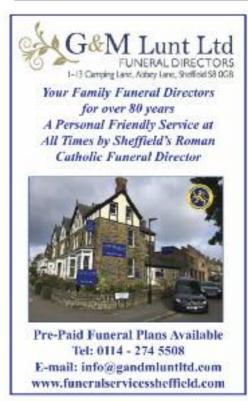
We must not allow ourselves to forget the command of Christ that we should eat and drink. The command is addressed to us all and not just to priests. "Since the early 4th century, everything by way of title, privilege, activity, lifestyle, status ... that marked the difference between clergy and laity, was eagerly embraced and seen as the divine will. So long as there were two classes at the eucharistic banquet – those who share in both of Jesus' gestures and those who do not – that older version of the Church is perpetuated ... Vatican II put forth another vision of the Church based on our baptismal vocation, and all subsequent differentiation is to be seen in terms of service to the body of Christ.

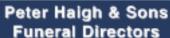
Vatican II put forth a vision of the Church based on our baptismal vocation with any differences to be seen only in terms of service to the body of Christ. "Having been baptised, we all need to share in the cup of the Lord."





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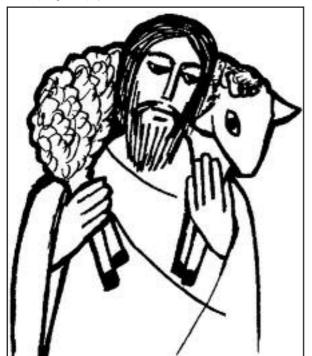
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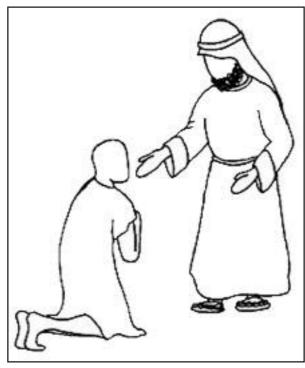
Welcome to the Children's Liturgy Section

Who is Jesus? This month we will find out more about Jesus!

We know about Jesus from the four Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, which the Priest or Deacon reads at Mass. We know that Jesus is the Son of God, or the Messiah but he is also known by other names: Lamb of God, Son of Man, Prince of Peace, Suffering Servant, Good Shepherd.

Try to listen out for his names when you are at Mass. Read on to find out more about Jesus.





Fill in the missing words in this passage about the life of Jesus

Jesus was born in	, about	years ago. His parents
were called	He lived i	in
until he was about	. He then started his	and
he spent 3 years doing this. I	-le often made	too. He called
people to	him. He was bet	rayed by one of his friends
and killed on a	After less than thre	ee days in the tomb he
from the dead	l. He	into heaven.
Use these words to help you:		

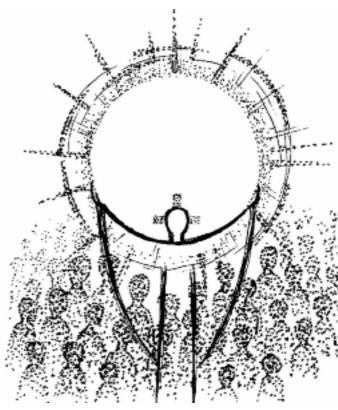
enemies, rose, cross, ascended, Nazareth, Bethlehem, 2000, 30, ministry, follow, Mary and Joseph

A Request

The Children's Liturgy page has been a regular feature of the Hallam News for over a year and our hard-working team who design the page would like to hear your, and your children's, reactions to its content.

We have devised a short survey which is available on the Hallam News website which you can access if you click https://hallamnews.com and then go to the tab marked Children's Liturgy. You will find a link to the survey at the bottom of the page and it should take no more than five minutes to complete.

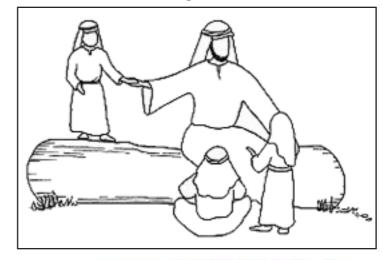
Our team will be very grateful for your responses.





Jesus performed miracles (a miracle is an extraordinary event that cannot be explained by nature or science). We hear about these miracles in the Gospels. Can you remember any of them?

Ask a grown up to help you to find these miracles in the Gospels (look in a Bible) and read them to you. You could draw or paint pictures of the story. Ideas to help your grown up: wedding at Cana, feeding the 5000, raising the widow's son, walking on the water.



WONDER
I Wonder
I wonder what you like about Jesus?
•••••
I wonder what is the most important thing about Jesus?
I wonder what you want to say to Jesus today?

"Open my eyes, that I may see wonderful things."

- Psalm 119:18





Theo has spent his childhood in darkness, but you can help children like him. Give before 14th May 2019 and every £1 you donate to our See the Way appeal will be doubled by the UK government.

Dear Hallam News reader,

As a fellow Christian, I want to share with you how incredibly powerful it is to witness a child seeing for the first time, after eye surgery.

As we carry out our work at Christian Blind Mission, we are constantly moved by the astonishment and wonder on the faces of children when the bandages are removed and they get their first clear look at their smiling loved ones.

You can help this happen for more children. Until 14th May 2019, your donations to our See the Way appeal will be doubled by the UK government. So your gift could help twice the number of children See the Way to a brighter future.

The photo to the right shows 2-year-old Theo from Rwanda, East Africa, who has cataracts that leave him barely able to see. But cataracts are straightforward to treat. Surgery taking just 45 minutes could restore his sight. Just think, in this short time his entire life can be transformed. Instead of living with darkness and confusion he could have light, colour and a future filled with opportunity. He could go to school and one day find employment that would allow him to See the Way out of poverty.

Cataract removal surgery costs £95, but families like Theo's can barely afford even basic necessities, so I am turning to you in the hope that you can help.

You could open a child's eyes to the beauty of God's creation. And we'll send you an update on Theo's surgery.

God bless you,



Rebecca Molyneux CBM Programme Manager



Theo has been living his life in darkness, due to his cataracts



When he tries to walk or run, he bumps into things



Your gift could help children see and transform lives

Every day, people in the world's poorest places become needlessly blind because of conditions that can be easily treated. Donate today and your gift is multiplied x2.

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Public donations will support CBM's work preventing blindness and transforming lives wherever the need is greatest. Match funding from the UK government will improve access to sight-saving eye-health services in Rwanda.

The St Justin Society Helping the Parish of St Vincent, Sheffield to support people in developing countries

What does St Justin Society do? It helps St Vincent parishioners

To look beyond ourselves
To work with others

We raise awareness in the parish about parts of the world in need and then raise money to support people living there. The money is used where the need is greatest. We use personal contacts so that we know the money will be used to the greatest effect. Occasionally money is sent to larger aid organisations in response to humanitarian disasters.

When did it start?

The Society was started in 1976 by Fr Frank MacMorrow as one of the ways in which St Vincent's Parish seeks to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. It is named after a Vincentian saint who worked in Africa in the nineteenth century at about the same time as members of the Vin-



centian order first came to work in Sheffield and started St Vincent's Parish.

When does the Society meet? Members meet once every two months on a Friday evening at St Vincent's Church. Events are organised throughout the year which raise, on average, around £500 a month. Money raised is distributed as soon as possible so that it gets to those in need rather than sitting in a bank.

Some recent events

Themed evenings with international food, drink and music; classical music concerts; illustrated talks on topical issues; coffee mornings and afternoon teas; book sales; parish Christmas Bazaar. Many other parish groups donate their own fund-raising proceeds to the work of the Society.

Where has the money gone?

In the last year to Ethiopa, where the Daughters of Charity are working with street children, and Kenya, where the Medical Missionaries of Mary provide basic health care services through a central dispensary to 600,000 people and run an HIV/AIDS programme which supports orphans, vulnerable children and caregivers. Over the last few years to Rwanda, Uganda, Tanzania, Ghana and Southern Sudan.

To find out more

Contact Marie Miller, the Society's Secretary, for more details, email: miller-bolehills@gmail.com, tel: 0114 2683202, or Marcelle Mattli, tel: 0114 2759348. Details of the next meeting will be in the parish newsletter and you will be warmly welcomed.

Make a donation

Contact the Society's Treasurer, Steve Foley, email: spfoley@tiscali.co.uk, tel: 0114 2305254.

Steve Foley



The St Justin Society works mainly, but not exclusively, with missionary religious orders, and receives and publishes reports about how money has been used.

