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PADLEY PILGRIMAGE

On 14 July, 2019 the Hallam Diocesan Annual Pilgrimage to Padley will take place. This Pilgrimage has taken place for many years in Hallam, as our photographs show. Read on page 3 the full story of this beautiful place and the people we remember on this day.





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- 9 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.
- 23 Sheffield Branch Walsin ham Association serves refreshments after 12.45pm Mass at St Marie's Cathe dral, Sheffield.

Everyone is welcome to a Garden Party at St Mary's Catholic Church, Worksop, S80 1HH. The party starts at 12.15pm. It promises to be lots of fun with games, barbecue and refreshments.

Annual Mass of the Martyrs

The annual 'Mass of the Martyrs' will be celebrated at Padley Chapel, S32 2JA, at 7.30pm on Wednesday, 24 July, the date of the execution of Blessed Nicholas Garlick and Blessed Robert Ludlam. All are very welcome.



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For further information please contact Safeguarding Co-ordinator - Sr Clare Smith, Mylnhurst Lodge, Sheffield S11 9HJ Email: co-ord.safeguarding@ioImercy.org.uk Tel: 0114 2351540 Website: www.ourladyofmercy.org.uk

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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this Month



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

- Sacred Heart and St Helen, Hoyland.
- 14 21 28
- Sacred Heart and St Helen, Hoyland. St Mary, Worksop. St Ann, Deepcar. St Charles, Sheffield.

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Celia White, Curator of Padley, shares the history of this special place.

Padley Chapel itself is the Gatehouse to a medieval manor house. The building was home to several families - the Padleys, Eyres and finally the Fitzherberts - and can be traced back to 1066 but has certainly been there for much longer. Now in ruins the Gatehouse was converted and consecrated into a chapel in 1933 in honour of the two priests who were arrested there and taken to Derby to be executed.

This tragic story took place during what we refer to as the Penal times, which were roughly during the reign of Queen Elizabeth I. It was a dangerous thing to be a practising Catholic in those days and life was not easy. It was not possible to hold a public office of any kind and heavy fines were imposed if you refused to attend the new Anglican Church. In order to accept public appointments such as in the law, army, civic office, teaching or obtain a degree, it was necessary to swear the Oath of Supremacy to the Queen in all religious matters. If you did not then you were considered to be a Recusant Catholic, that is one who refused to conform, from the Latin recusare to refuse.

John Fitzherbert and his family lived at Padley, in those days a peaceful and isolated place where they lived quietly, doing their best to practise their religion strengthened by the occasional visits from travelling priests. But they were not immune to new laws that were being exacted against Recusant Catholics. In 1584 an even harsher new Act was passed making it High Treason for any ordained priest to work in England and for anyone "receiving, relieving or comforting" a priest: the penalty was death.

Despite all these difficulties brave and holy young men were inspired to study for the priesthood abroad. They then came to England and travelled the country in disguise to minister to the needs of the Catholic community. A dangerous path to tread, always aware that there was a price on their head; never knowing really who to trust and knowing that agents of the crown were looking for them. There was a very sophisticated spying



DIOCESE OF HALLAM 39th Annual Shrine Pilgrimage

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system run by the Queen's chief advisors, who regularly succeeded in capturing these travelling priests.

Father Nicholas Garlick and Father Robert Ludlam were two such priests who would arrive unannounced at a known safe house, minister to the needs of those there and then leave quietly, never telling anyone where they were going next. And so it was that on 11 July, 1588, both these young men arrived at Padley not knowing that the other was there. They stayed the night and intended to leave the next morning but disastrously there was evil and tragedy in their midst. The eldest son of the house, known to us now as Thomas the Traitor, had been coerced by the chief priest catcher, Robert Topcliffe, into betraying his own father in order to gain his inheritance as the eldest son. His father was already a wanted man and young Thomas sent a message to the authorities to say that he was at home. A raid was planned for early in the morning of 12 July, 1588, but when the soldiers arrived they found the two priests as well.

After this it was the end for the Fitzherbert family at Padley and the priests paid the ultimate penalty for High Treason. They were hung, drawn and quartered by Derby bridge on 24 July, 1588 and went joyfully and bravely to their awful deaths – Blessed Nicholas Garlick preaching and handing out written prayers to the gathered crowds to the end and Blessed Robert Ludlam exclaiming *Venite Benedictii Dei* as he looked up above the gibbet as he climbed the ladder, as if seeing a vision of angels.

What a thing it is today that, more than 430 years later, we are able to attend Mass freely and publicly at the very place that they worked and were arrested for it. This is truly a holy and blessed place. Deo Gratias.



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IT'S OUR HERITAGE

On Saturday, 18 May 'It's Our Heritage' celebrations were held at venues across Denaby Main and Conisbrough, including Conisbrough Castle, St Peter's Parish Church, Conisbrough, Gray's Court, Denaby Main, Conisbrough Library and St Alban's Catholic Church, Denaby Main

The focus at St Alban's Church was a celebration of our mining heritage and a commemoration of our parish war dead and those who served in World War I and World War II.

Doncaster MBC's 'Heritage Doncaster' displayed a dozen pit signs plus the main entrance sign from Cadeby Main Colliery. The signs were rescued during the demolition of the colliery in 1987. They were complemented by a slideshow of 360 photographs of Cadeby Main Colliery taken between March, 1986 and March, 1987.

Louise Jackson from the Coalfields Regeneration Trust and Ruth Carrington from the Pit Sense Project participated in the celebration. Gary Clarke promoted Wasteland, a dance theatre production portraying an insight into Grimethorpe when the colliery closed in 1994. There was also an art exhibition of work by Trish Stafford. The event was supported by Jeff Lovell, Chair of Cadeby Main Colliery Memorial Group, and his committee. Penny Lloyd Rees from Conisbrough Forward coordinated the programme across all the locations.

A significant number of people attended the event at St Alban's Church including many former Cadeby Main miners, along with Rev Martijn Mugge, Vicar of St Peter's Church, Conisbrough, Cllr Lani Ball, Cllr Ian Pearson and Cllr Nigel Ball, Cabinet Member for Public Health, Leisure and Culture, parishioners, members of the community and visitors from as far afield as the West Midlands.

The pit signs and slideshow brought back memories of an era that has disappeared. Pat O'Neill, former Cadeby Main NUM Branch Committee Member, said, "It was great to have these pit signs back in our community after an absence of over thirty years. To miners they were a familiar sight when the colliery was operating. It felt like old friends were visiting us again. These signs should now be on permanent display in public buildings across our community."

There were also two booklets on display in the Sacred Heart Chapel. The first booklet was dedicated to the St Alban's War Dead. The second booklet listed men and women from the parish who served in World War I and World War II and those from the parish who were awarded gallantry medals or were mentioned in despatches.

There are forty six men recorded on the World War I Memorial in the Sacred Heart Chapel who made the ultimate sacrifice to give us peace. Their memorial was dedicated on 11 November, 1922 by Rt Rev Dr Joseph Cowgill, Bishop of Leeds. The paintings of

St George and St Joan of Arc in the Sacred Heart Chapel represent the friendship between England and France. As a result of recent research a further ten men will be added to a new memorial in November.

During World War I over 350 men from Conisbrough and Denaby Main were killed in the conflict.

From the Second World War there are eleven servicemen who are recorded on our church war memorial commemorating their ultimate sacrifice to give us peace. They are:

P/KX84056 Leading Stoker George William Atkin, Royal Navy, serving on HM Submarine Grampus, was lost at sea on 24 June, 1940. The submarine was sunk by Italian torpedo boats Circo and Clio off Sicily. He is commemorated on Portsmouth Naval Monument.

101269 Private Ronald Bingham, 73rd Company, Aux. Mil., Pioneer Corps, died on 17 June, 1940. He was killed when the troop ship Lancastria was bombed by a Junkers JU88 and sunk off St Nazaire with 3,000 to 5,800 fatalities. He is buried in Escoublac La Baule War Cemetery, France.

7596570 Sergeant Frederick Thomas Cox, Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, was killed on 27 April, 1943. He is buried at Medjez el Bab War Cemetery, Tunisia.

4749953 Lance Corporal James Davey, 1st York & Lancaster Regiment, was killed at Anzio on 3 June, 1944. He is buried in Beach Head Cemetery, Anzio, Italy.

2764063 Lance Corporal John Dolly, 16th Durham Light Infantry, was killed in the Salerno landings on 11 September, 1943. He is buried in Salerno War Cemetery, Italy.

4694721 Bombardier Leslie Arthur Dudhill, 72nd Anti-Tank Regiment, Royal Artillery, was killed by mortar gun fire on 21 April, 1943. He is buried in Enfidaville War Cemetery, Tunisia.

1724932 Gunner Dominic Fallon, 108th Battery, 29th Lt AA Regiment, Royal Artillery, was killed on 11 March, 1944. He is buried in Massicault War

Cemetery, Tunisia. 4617239 Pri-



tery, Sicily, Italy. 14418365 Ronald Private McGrath, 1/4th Kings Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, aged 171/2, was killed on 26 June, 1944 near Caen. He is buried in Fontenay Le Pesnel War Ceme-Tessel, tery, France.

1057362 Corporal Patrick Reel, Royal Air Force, was killed on 27 April, 1945. He is buried in Calcutta (Bhowanipore) Cemetery, Kolkata, India.

Fr Desmond Edozie, Parish Priest of St Alban's Church, stated, "Later this year we celebrate the 125th anniversary of the founding of St Alban's Parish by Rev Thomas Kavanagh.

"Our priests have always been closely identified with miners and their families who worked at Denaby Main Colliery and Cadeby Main Colliery, as well as supporting those who served in the armed forces especially during the World Wars.

"Mgr Donal Bambury was Parish Priest during the 1984/85 Miners Strike and the closure of Cadeby Main Colliery in Fr Desmond Edozie with Jeff Lovell, Chair of Cadeby Main Colliery Memorial Group

1986. Former miners and their families still hold Mgr Donal in high esteem.

"From 1951 to 1973 he was an Army chaplain. Major Donal Bambury served in Yorkshire Territorial Army units including Duke of Wellington Regiment, Yorkshire Volunteers, 467 Heavy Anti-Aircraft Regiment, Leeds Rifles and 466 Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment.

"On 18 May we celebrated our mining heritage, remembered those who made the ultimate sacrifice to give us peace, relived our collective history and told our story. It was great to see so many people visit our church."



Pat O'Neill, former Cadeby Main NUM Branch Committee Member and former Chair of Conisbrough Urban District Council, with Ruth Carrington, Pit Sense Project Officer

Francis vate Judge, 1st Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment), was killed on 29 May, 1940 at Dunkirk. He is buried in Dunkirk Memorial Cemetery, France. 4692958 Corporal Thomas Kelly, 1st Kings Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, was killed on 11 July. 1943 in Sicily. He is buried in Syra-

Final Cadeby Main NVM Branch function at St Alban's Catholic Club - Mgr Donal Bambury with Keith Spooner, President of Cadeby Main NUM Branch Photograph taken 17 February, 1987 by Gerard McLister

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Diocese of Hallam Pastoral Letter ~ Read at all Masses on the weekend of 11/12 May, 2019, Vocations Sunday

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus Christ,

I am pleased to have this opportunity to be with you through the written word today, Vocations Sunday.

In the gospel chosen for today's Mass we hear the final words of Jesus in which He makes reference to Himself as the Good Shepherd. He uses the image, to help the people catch a glimpse of who He is and the special relationship He has with them and they with Him. We note, for example, that he is aware that the Father has entrusted to Him the whole of the human family and chosen Him as leader, protector, and nourisher. This is a role He plays to perfection to the point of laying down His life for those entrusted to His care.

Within the family of the Church we are all called at different times in our lives to guide, to protect and to nourish those who are placed in our care. However, the title "shepherd" is used in recognition of those who exercise a particular role of service within the Church – sister, brother, priest, deacon, bishop. Today, Vocations Sunday, we are asked to remember them in prayer especially and, in particular, to pray that others will join their ranks. At the end of the homily at the Chrism Mass, I invited the people gathered that day to pray for three intentions. Firstly, I asked them to pray for your priests and bishop that through our words and actions you will always experience the protection and love of the Good Shepherd. Secondly, I invited them to remember in prayer those who are already on the journey to full time ministry that they be open to what God asks of them and the courage to follow. And, finally, I asked them to pray that new hearts will hear the call to the priesthood and religious life here in the Diocese of Hallam. I would like, for a moment, to reflect on the third intention.

When I was growing up there was, what could be called, a vocations culture in our parishes, our schools and in our homes. I think that it is fair to say that this is something we have lost in recent years for a variety of reasons. It is not necessary to list those reasons here. Now, I believe, is the time to be bold enough to reclaim it and positively encourage our young people (and not so young!) to seriously consider priesthood and religious life! When I was Vocations Director in the early eighties, I coined the phrase, "People have the right to be asked". It is no less true today.

Vocations promotion is the work of the Holy Spirit and praver is at its heart. If we do not ask for vocations, we should not expect vocations. This is why I am launching a prayer campaign for vocations in the diocese today. You will have received a prayer card on the way in to church today. I would like this Prayer for Vocations to be recited every time you come together to pray in your parishes. It is a very simple way for the parishes to exercise their responsibility for promoting vocations. It would be wonderful, too, and I strongly encourage it, if the prayer were recited at home.

Finally, a word for those who are listening and maybe thinking about priesthood or religious life. If you would like to explore further the idea that the Lord might be calling you, I invite you to meet with me at Bishop's House, 75 Norfolk Road, next Saturday at 11 am over a coffee. No strings attached!

In his message for today, World Day of Vocations, the Holv Father has these words for you:





Bishop Ralph

Him. Do not yield to fear, which paralyses us before the great heights to which the Lord points us. Always remember that those who leave their nets and boat behind, and follow Him, the Lord promises the joy of a new life that can fill our hearts and enliven our journey.

We ask the prayers of Mary, Our Mother of Perpetual Help and Patron of our Diocese, to help us all discover the Lord's plan in our lives as it unfolds day by day and the courage to walk in the path that He has chosen for us.

Yours sincerely in Christ, the Redeemer +Ralph



Blessing Easter Food at St Joseph's, Retford

Święconka w parafii St Joseph's w Retford. W tym roku proboszcz parafii przywital ponad 100 osób z polskich rodzin. Podczas uroczystości Polacy zebrali pieniądze na świecę paschalną dla parafii.

On Holy Saturday Fr John Nwadike welcomed around a hundred families gathered at St Joseph's for Święconka meaning "the blessing of the Easter baskets", one of the most enduring and beloved Polish traditions with roots dating back to the early history of Poland.



Baskets containing Easter foods are traditionally lined with a white napkin and decorated with sprigs of typical Easter evergreen and ribbon woven through the handle. Observing the creativity of other parishioners is one of the special joys of the event.

Fr John gave the three-part blessing. Prayers specifically address the various contents of the baskets. The symbolic meanings of the foods are:

- eggs symbolise life and Christ's resurrection
- bread symbolic of Jesus in the Eucharist
- lamb represents Christ the Lamb of God •
- salt represents purification •
- horseradish symbolic of the bitter sacrifice of Christ
- ham symbolic of great joy and abundance

Fr John then liberally sprinkled the congregation with holy water. A collection was taken for the Polish community's gift to the parish - the Pascal Candle.

celebrate and give thanks for all the students, staff and parents who work so hard in and for Catholic Schools.

With this in mind we will be celebrating Education Sunday in the Schools section of the September edition of the paper.



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Diocesan Catholic Schools - 'A Family of Families' Join with Hallam Caring Services at Good Shepherd Appeal Celebration

across the Diocese came to St Marie's Cathedral for the annual celebration of their fundraising for the Good Shepherd Appeal for Hallam Caring Services.

Around 200 young people, representing 27 schools, participated in a special liturgy highlighting the importance of families supporting each other. Pupils from St Patrick's School, Sheffield Lane Top, planned and led the service, which involved acting, procession, singing and liturgical dance. The chil-

n Wednesday, 22 May, schools from dren recounted three stories from the Old Testament, telling the congregation about Noah, Joseph and his brothers and Ruth and Naomi, before finishing with the story of Jesus being found in the temple. The singing was magnificent, as all joined in enthusiastically with the chosen hymns. Each school had brought a homemade icon of the Holy Family, which they brought up in procession when they presented their donations for the appeal to Bishop Ralph, before ending the service with a rousing rendition of the hymn, "All Hail King Jesus".





Holy Trinity School, Barnsley, with Bishop Ralph



Stuart Hanlon, Co-ordinator of Hallam Caring Services, was very appreciative of the generous contributions made by schools - pupils, families and staff to the annual appeal, especially at a time of cutbacks. "We could not provide the support offered by Hallam Caring Services without the income from the appeal," he said. "We are very grateful to all the schools for their fundraising. Our special thanks go to St Patrick's for leading our service so well."



Sacred Heart School, Goldthorpe



Divine Mercy Sunday at Mount St Mary's College

On Sunday, 29 April, Mount St Mary's College opened its doors to the Hallam Diocese for the Feast of Divine Mercy. We were honoured to welcome Bishop Ralph as our Chief Celebrant of Mass, with Fr Michael Beattie SJ and Deacon Neil Bailey.

The service began at 2pm with Confessions, during which time the congregation was invited to read extracts of St Faustina's diary and to place personal intentions at the foot of the altar. The Divine Mercy Chaplet was recited at 3pm, followed by

Holy Mass. Bishop Ralph blessed the Divine Mercy image and the congregation formed a procession for veneration.

Seanead O'Neill, the Lay Chaplain at Mount St Mary's College, expressed her thanks to Bishop Ralph, Fr Michael and Deacon Neil and said, "The service was a joyful celebration of the great mercy of God. It was wonderful to be able to welcome warmly to the College so many devotees of Divine Mercy and to share the spiritual benefits of the feast day."

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105 year old Minnie's Missal Holds a Timely Prayer

The missal left in Church by former parishioner, Minnie Liddle, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Bentley, revealed a prayer that many of us may have forgotten but seems especially apposite at this time of change across our Diocese of Hallam; especially within Doncaster deanery, where reorganisation and realignment of parishes means new partnerships being formed, two churches closed, new Mass times adopted and new priests appointed.

Minnie is 105 years old and originally from Sunderland. Like our own Bishop Ralph, she grew up in St Bennet's parish. She was a very regular attender at both Sunday and weekday Masses at Our Lady's until age 103, when she was visited at home with the Blessed Sacrament regularly by Helen Nellis, a dear friend and extraordinary minister of Holy Communion. Helen had for many years picked Minnie up and brought her to Mass in her car, and also the parish sisters from the Daughters of St Francis de Sales convent adjoining Our Lady's Church brought Minnie to church. Minnie had kept her wellthumbed weekday missal at church at her usual place in the pews close to the Lady Chapel for ease of use. It only recently came to light and was retrieved by parish helper, Josie Green, and placed next to Our Lady's altar.

Minnie now lives in a care home nearer her granddaughter across town and receives Holy Communion from the local

parish, but still enjoys visits from time to time by Helen, the Sisters and a few other Bentley parishioners.

When Josie recently gave Helen the retrieved missal to take to Minnie on her next visit, a flick through the pages revealed prayer cards and leaflets and a piece of paper cut off and saved from the bottom of an old weekly bulletin from the last week of November, 2002. On it was printed a prayer for The Journeying Church, taken from the preparatory material for the then forthcoming Hallam Assembly of 2003. This seems a good time to be reminded of it.

John Carberry

The Journeying Church (from the Hallam Assembly 2003)

Oh God, once we were secure in familiar territory in our sense of belonging. Now you have called us out of the familiar, leading us where we know not, struggling in faith to follow your beckoning, we are unsure and uncomfortable. Journeying God, pitch your tent with ours so that we may not become deterred by hardship, strangeness or doubt. Help us to walk in other's shoes. Show us the movement we must make towards a wealth not dependent on possessions, towards a wisdom not based on books, towards strength not reliant on power and towards a God not confined to heaven but earthed, poor, unrecognised. We pray this through Christ Our Lord, Amen.



Minnie Liddle



Fr Damian Humphries presents Margaret and Brian Holden with a Papal Blessing for their Diamond Anniversary

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CONGRATULATIONS Diamond Wedding Anniversary

Margaret and Brian Holden celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary by renewing their wedding vows at Our Lady and Saint James Church, Worsbrough, Barnsley, on 30 March, 2019.

Their friends in the parish sent for a Papal blessing, which was presented to the couple on Saturday, 18 May by Father Damian. A small celebration after Mass was held in the parish room.

The couple were married by the late Father Tomblin at St Joseph's Church, Kendray, on 30 March, 1959.

Note from the Editor

The leaflet included in the June edition of the Hallam News was booked by the publisher and not by the Diocese.

CathCom would like to issue the following apology:

The June edition of the newspaper included a leaflet referring to Gender Theory. This leaflet was accepted by CathCom and not by the Diocese. CathCom accepted the booking of the leaflet without seeing it. The leaflet was sent by an external organisation directly to the printers to be included in the paper. Therefore, we were not aware of its contents until after the paper went to parishes. We wholeheartedly apologise that the Diocese was not given the opportunity to see the leaflet, or even be aware of its existence, prior to publication. We also apologise for the lack of clarity surrounding the origin and source of the leaflet. It was not approved by the Diocese in any way and therefore cannot be deemed to be representing the teaching of the Church regardless of the message, the content or the way it was presented. Our apologies to the Dio-



cese for any misrepresentation and we will ensure that all leaflets will be passed to the Diocese before future editions go to print.

We are fully aware that this is a very sensitive subject on a very personal level for many people. We would like to reiterate that CathCom shares the view outlined in the statement by the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales in 2018 that "there is a place of welcome for everyone in the Catholic Church"1 and our hope is that all of our publications work to strengthen that sense of welcome and belonging for all.

1 A Statement on Gender from the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales – 20/04/2018www.catholicnews.org.uk/Home/News/Bishops-Plenary-Meetings/Plenary-April-2018/Statement-Gender/(language)/eng-GB

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A great night was had by all at the Rock n'Roll night recently held at the De La Salle Association Club Rooms.

A full house enjoyed dancing to the 'Bungalow Band' who gave their services free in support of the Furniture Store which helps people of all ages out of homelessness. £550.00 was made on the night.

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St Vincent de Paul Society - Blessed Rosalie Rendu Part 2

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Among these was Frederic Ozanam and his young friends, seeking her advice. She was the centre of a charitable movement that characterised Paris and France in the first half of the 19th century and her experience was priceless for these young people. She directed their apostolate, guided their coming and going in the suburbs, and gave them addresses of families in need, choosing them with care. Indeed it is fair to sav that Sr Rosalie was largely responsible for the successful development and growth of the SVP in its early stages. It was she who advised Frederic to adopt St Vincent as their patron.

Hardships were not lacking in the districts of Paris. Epidemics of cholera followed one after another. Lack of hygiene and poverty fostered its virulence. Most particularly in 1832 and 1846, the dedication shown and risks taken by Sr Rosalie and her Sisters were beyond imagination. She herself was seen picking up dead bodies in the streets.

During the uprisings of July 1830 and February 1848, barricades and bloody battles were the marks of the opposition of the working class stirred up against the powerful. The Archbishop of Paris was killed trying to intervene between the fighting factions. Sr Rosalie was deeply grieved. She herself climbed the barricades to try and help the wounded fighters irrespective of the side they were fighting on. Without any fear, she risked her life in these confrontations. Her courage and sense of freedom commanded the admiration of all.

When order was re-established, she tried to save a number of these people she knew and who were victims of fierce repression. She was helped a great deal by the Mayor of the district, Dr. Ulysse Trélat, a true republican, who was also very popular.

In 1852, Napoleon III decided to give her the Cross of the Legion of Honour. She was ready to refuse this individual honour but Fr Jean Baptiste Etienne, head of the Priests of the Mission and the Daughters of Charity, prevailed upon her to accept it.

Always in fragile health, Sr Rosalie never took a moment of rest, always managing to overcome fatigue and fevers. However, age, increasing infirmity, and the amount of work needing to be done eventually broke her strong resistance and equally strong will. During the last two years of her life she became progressively blind. She died on 7 February, 1856 after a brief acute illness.



am and Sr Rosalie Rendu

Emotions ran high in the district and at all levels of society in both Paris and the countryside. After the funeral rite at St Médard church in her parish, a large and emotional crowd followed her remains to the Montparnasse Cemetery. They came to show their respect for the works she had accomplished and show their affection for this "out of the ordinary" Sister.

Numerous newspaper articles witnessed to the admiration and even veneration that Sr Rosalie received. Newspapers from all sides echoed the sentiments of the people.

Numerous visitors flocked to the Montparnasse Cemetery. They went to meditate at the tomb of the one who was their salvation. But it was difficult to find the gravesite reserved for the Daughters of Charity. The body was then moved to a more accessible site, close to the entrance of the cemetery. On the simple



Sr Rosalie's tomb

tomb surmounted by a large cross are engraved these words: "To Sister Rosalie, from her grateful friends, the rich and the poor." Anonymous hands brought flowers and continue to bring flowers to this gravesite: a lasting yet discreet homage to this humble Daughter of St Vincent de Paul.

Divine Renovation - The House of Pain third in a series about this initiative

more than politely tolerated by family members who find them unfamiliar and meaningless. The problem is that the world has changed, so quickly and so completely, that what worked in 1956 is now so alien that it might just as well be a thousand years ago.

There is also deep institutional pain reflected in the decline of familiar structures. The institutions of hospitals, schools and charities are the Church's proud response to the needs of the past. The challenge now is that often they achieved what they set out to do, but many of them are illequipped to respond to the needs of the present. Similarly, parishes were created to serve communities as they were, but social change means that people move to where there are opportunities for families to grow and thrive. People move but buildings do not, and we are all familiar with the sight of huge church buildings in tiny communities, whose members cannot afford to sustain them. A deeper pain for all the faithful is the devastation caused by sexual abuse of children by priests. This pain is made

many times worse by the covering up and tolerance of such behaviour by leaders within the Church. Victims and their families carry deep pain. Every priest and bishop carries the shame because of the mis-deeds of a few. Lack of trust is like acid that eats away the . heart of the faithful, and for many makes it impossible for them even to enter a church.

What hope can there be for a Church



where 105 Catholics were martyred during the reformation. Our life of prayer draws Sisters from many nations.





Perhaps the most difficult chapter in Fr Mallon's book Divine Renovation is chapter 3 where he refers to the Church as a 'House of Pain'. The pain arises, says Fr Mallon, because the Church is sick and it has lost its true identity as a missionary church.

There is deep individual pain among God's faithful people who did for their children what their parents did for them. So many of them are at a loss to know what they did wrong as they watch children and grandchildren leave the Church and faith in God. The rites of marriages and funerals are often no

where trust is gone and the faithful can only lament? Fr Mallon gives no easy answers, for there are none. He does though offer a possibility of hope out of deep darkness, using the parable of the sower. Jesus said that the Kingdom of God grows like seed scattered in a field. The sower is responsible for scattering the seed, but how it grows in individual Christians and in the life of the Church is a mystery in the graceful hands of God. The seed dies in order to live, just as the defeat of Good Friday flowed into resurrection life on Easter Sunday. In the rest of this series we will look at ways in which we can be part of God bringing resurrection life within our churches.

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Pilgrimage to Rievaulx Abbey and Mount Grace Priory

July 2019

On 11 May thirty-six parishioners and friends of St Peter-in-Chains, Doncaster, embarked on a day's pilgrimage to Rievaulx Abbey and Mount Grace Priory.



Within the magnificent ruins of Rievaulx Fr Darren Reid celebrated Mass. Unfortunately, the weather deteriorated somewhat after this and was extremely wet, but this did not spoil our visit to Mount Grace Priory. The restored monk's cell was very interesting. Each monk had his own cell comprising of two storeys and a garden. There was a living room, a bedroom and oratory (private chapel) on the ground floor, and a general purpose workroom on the upper floor.



In Our Lady's Garden, an extension of the Shrine of Our Lady of Doncaster, at St Peter-in-Chains Church are the Stations of the Cross around the garden perimeter. Each Station features a stone used in the construction of a religious house dedicated to Our Lady and destroyed at the time of the Reformation. The stone at the Fifth Station is from Rievaulx Abbey and the stone at the Fourteenth Station is from Mount Grace Priory. Hence the significance of the Pilgrimage.

Keeping Faith Alive at Sea

Seafarers live an almost nomadic existence, sailing vast distances across the sea from one port to another and often being away from their families for months. For the Catholics among them, this means not being able to go to Mass.

As well as providing practical help to seafarers, Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea (AoS) port chaplains also try to support them in their faith. A high percentage of seafarers today come from Catholic regions of the world, such as the Philippines and Goa in India. But the few hours many ships spend in port means there is no chance to attend Mass at a local church. Last November, Fr Colum Kelly, an AoS port chaplain in Immingham, Lincolnshire, was asked by the crew of the cargo ship The Star Nina to celebrate Mass on board after their captain died of a heart attack. The vessel had been at anchorage near Immingham. "We were waiting for them to come in to Immingham to berth, so we could help. It was a very sad and difficult time for them. They had been at anchorage for over a month, plus their voyage from Brazil meant they had been at sea for a month and a half," said Fr Colum. "Not

Moorends Pilgrimage 2019



The annual pilgrimage from St Joseph and St Nicholas, Moorends was held on 1 May, the Feast of St Joseph the Worker. The pilgrims, led by Parish Priest, Fr Santosh Vazhappally, visited three holy sites in York.

The day started with Mass at the Shrine of the martyr, St Margaret Clitherow. The pilgrims then walked to the Bar Convent, England's oldest living convent (founded in 1686). After a talk about the history of the convent in its beautiful chapel the pilgrims toured the heritage centre.

The final site was York Minster. The Minster authorities kindly allowed the pilgrims the use of the Zouche Chapel for prayer led by Fr Santosh, which concluded with reciting the Divine Mercy Chaplet. The pilgrims found it a very spiritually rewarding day.

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is recited each Friday at St Joseph and St Nicholas Church during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. This commences at 11am, concluding with a shared lunch at 12noon. All are welcome to join us.



Pictured at the top, the group at the Shrine of St Margaret Clitherow; above, in the Zouche Chapel.



only did we pray for the deceased captain but also his family and indeed the crew, who were all deeply traumatised portunity of contact is when they come ashore. However, in many countries shore leave is not permitted and so fam-



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by this sad event. They were so thankful that we could organise Mass for them." The ship had continued to be kept at anchorage for 11 days after the captain's death. "The acting captain said that the crew were told this was due to 'berth congestion and priority cargo'. Doesn't that say something awful about the treatment of seafarers even in the midst of tragedy? Their need was determined by what they were carrying in the ship's hold," said Fr Colum.

It's common nowadays for contracts on a ship to be for a year or longer. "When seafarers are at sea, they are out of touch with families and their only opily contact is missed. Living away from home for such long periods brings its own problems of isolation. Family problems at home take on a different perspective from a distant part of the world."

On 14 July the Church asks us to support the work of AoS and port chaplains like Fr Colum. Seafarers might appear remote from our lives, but, in fact, we all depend on them. Around 90% of goods imported to the UK come by ship. AoS exists to let seafarers know they are not forgotten.

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Welcome to the Children's Liturgy Section

Have you wondered why the altar at church may sometimes be dressed in different colours during the year or why the priest wears different coloured vestments at those times?

Like our calendar year with months of the year and our academic year with school terms, our Church has a 'year' too. It is called the Liturgical Year. Liturgy means that it is part of the official worship of the Church and this follows different seasons.

The Church's main seasons are Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter and the rest of the year is called 'Ordinary Time'. 'Ordinary' here does not mean that it is not special, but means that it is the time when we count the Sundays until we get to the next main season.

The Church's Liturgical Year begins on the First Sunday of Advent which is usually around the last weekend in November. It then goes through the Church's seasons, in which we celebrate the life, death and resurrection of Jesus in different ways. The end of the Liturgical Year is the solemn feast of Christ the King.

This month we will find out more about the Liturgical Year.





Colour in the spaces around the circle using Green, White, Red and Purple to show the special seasons in the Liturgical Year.

Liturgical Anagrams

This season is the first in the Liturgical Year

This season is celebrated next in the Liturgical Years

Green is the colour used for this season

In these seasons the altar may be dressed in purple

One season when the altar may be dressed white or gold is

For this feast the colour is red

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Some of the activities on this page are adapted from www.sdc.me.uk

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EDUCATION IN THE FULLNESS OF HUMANITY Our Lady of Perpetual Help School 'Land Art' for the Tour de Yorkshire

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Primary School in Bentley, Doncaster created 'Land Art' for the Tour de Yorkshire passing through on 2 May.

Mr James, one of the parents, took the photograph below using his drone and it has been entered into the 'Tour de Yorkshire Land Art' competition.

One of the school staff, Miss Syl-

wia Wisniewska, the caretaker, Mr John Fisher, and some of the children created the 'Land Art'.

The headteacher, Mrs Diane Collins, and staff escorted the very excited pupils out to see the riders go past on the A19 in Bentley.

Everyone was cheering and waving their flags - a very memorable day for the children!



At the start of the examinations season Louise, a Year 11 student at McAuley Catholic High School, Doncaster, and a Student Leadership Team Member, shared some thoughts with the Hallam News.

"At McAuley Catholic High School, a place that represents faith, God is alive and his presence can be felt. God is not just a figure to look up to. He is love, hope, courage, kindness. When we open our results in August we should reflect and look over the journey we took, then ask ourselves - Did you trust in God? Did you work to the best of your Godgiven ability?" Kead more on www.hallamnews.com.



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The Year 8 South Yorkshire Cup Final saw an all Catholic School game with All Saints, Sheffield taking on McAuley, Doncaster.

After a closely played and, at times, very nail-biting game, McAuley equalised with seconds to spare to bring the game to a 4-4 draw. However, not even 10 minutes of extra time could split the teams and the game was eventually decided by penalties. All Saints' players scored all their penalties and their goalkeeper saved 2 penalties to give All Saints the win.

What a cup final! An amazing dis-

Hallam Diocesan All **Catholic School Final** for Year 8 in the South Yorkshire Cup

play of ability, team work and determination by both teams, in terms of respect and sporting prowess, was a real credit to both schools involved. If this cup final is anything to go by, the future of football is looking very promising!

For All Saints, the treble is now complete - the first in the school's history: Premier Division champions, Sheffield Cup winners and now South Yorkshire Cup winners. The final was their 20th game of the season where they have drawn only 1 game and won 19. An unbelievable achievement - well done team!



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Silver Medals for St Francis of Assisi

Long-Serving Altar Servers

Crazy about Trees How a Community Garden Was Created

I admit I have an obsession about planting trees, not in woods or National Parks but in green spaces and grass verges in housing estates where people, consciously or unconsciously, are relaxed by the changing colours of Spring and Autumn and the symmetry of bare branches in Winter.

Before the Government cuts, local Town Councils were very approachable on matters of conservation. Following my request for trees on the nearby Council Estate, an Officer asked me to accompany him and help identify places where trees could break the brick-bound monotony. Two months later a hundred trees were planted.

Following vandalism, noise and verbal abuse from teenagers, a public meeting was held. A committee was formed and "Friends of Pevensey Green" was born. But the teenagers were not prepared to play on the nearby public football pitches. One evening, the teenagers went too far and we had to call in the Police. From that day, apart from occasional sporadic outbreaks, teenage football disappeared and peace returned to the Green.

Nowadays, every morning and evening, dog walkers congregate at the seat on the Green to chat and discuss anything and everything.

> Kath Shelton, National Justice and Peace Network member, Chesterfield Read the full story on www.hallamnews.com.



The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children held its annual pro-life chain on Saturday, 11 May at Meadowhall. Supporters lined the approach to the precinct for two hours, holding pro-life placards in silent witness.



On the Third Sunday of Easter St Francis of Assisi Church in Sheffield celebrated two of their servers receiving Silver Medals from the Arch-confraternity of St Stephen (the servers Guild).

Lucy and Peter, both 18, attend Notre Dame Catholic High School, Sheffield. The Headmaster, Mr S Davies, and Chaplain, Miss S Gomes, attended the celebration and presented Lucy and Peter with their certificates from the Guild. Mrs B Twomey from their former primary school, St Marie's, Sheffield, also joined them for their celebration, making this a community celebration of joy.

The Parish Priest of St Francis of Assisi, Fr Kevin Thornton, had arranged the ceremony in the Easter period to help the parish carry on with their celebration of the great feast. Everyone agreed this was a great success.

The acting Diocesan Director of the Guild said, "Peter and Lucy have both served in their parish since their First Communion and represented their parish by serving at the Mass for the Installation of Bishop Ralph. In addition, Peter is server to the Latin Mass Society in the Diocese and Lucy is a member of the Lourdes Youth Group. They are now jointly training officer and parish MC for a community of 15 servers. Their award recognised their commitment and leadership, and especially the role model they provide for younger servers.'



You can use both sets of clues to solve the puzzle: the solutions are the same. So, if you want to try the CRYPTIC puzzle, for instance, but are unsure, use the QUICK clues to help you work out the solution. Similarly, if you try the QUICK clues, use the CRYPTIC clues to help you prove

the solution

CRYPTIC Across

- Ecclesiastic he's identifying from following threads 1 (3, 2, 3, 5)
- 8 Horse after sheen's applied becomes favourite at break fast-time (4,3)
- Deploying horse into unstable wadi in the end was 9 Gordon's nemesis (5)
- 10 New York opera one of the press gets dealt (5)
- get sick, falling down (7)
- 7 With heels, lassie's staggering about the road to see cult hero (5,8)
- 13 Writer's block that's obvious in some biblical text? (7)
- 14 Extrapolate number to give one hell of a solution! (7)
- 16 Version of Jerusalem one detected in Lear



QUICK Down

11 Fool grabbing fish's tail is being reported (7) 12 Banish divorcee when bringing a pet into kibbutz (13) 15 Spies tarnish a comeback, totally, for old lingo... (7) 17 ... they are seen to back, note, a kind of shop signage (5) 19 Oomph Siamese loses – hard being a Philistine (5) 20 Two in Oxford's tormenting the Catholic Church dis avowed? (7)

21 Manly no more, I play with a flirtatious star (7,6) **CRYPTIC Down**

- 1 Criminally damn Imam's home in the name of religion (13)
- 2 Saw up to nine together (5)
- Annoyance expressed over loud Small Faces fan's 3 feudal set-up (7)
- He's almost Catholic, this cleric on drugs (4,9) 4
- 5 Mark's made to pause, seeing many in an unconscious state (5)
- Shakespearean in support of Old English pub, stuffed to 6

nonsense (5)

18 More retiring to Colorado just in case Mexican king is overthrown (5)

QUICK Across

- 1 Reverend, for one (3,2,3,5)
- 8 Boiled, fried, scrambled or poached, to be specific! (4.3)
- Epithet of the Sudanese leader against British 9 imperialism in the 1880s (5)

10 Doled (out) (5)

11 Call-sign for 'C' (7)

12 Exclude from a church or a religious community (13)

- 15 Language purportedly spoken by Christ (7)
- 17 Shop front nameplate (variant spelling) (5)

19 Philistine who became a commander in David's army (5)

20 Those who voluntarily suffer death as the penalty for

refusing to renounce their religion (7)

21 Norma Jeane Mortenson, 1 June 1926 – 4 August 1962 (7,6)

1 Islam (13)

- 2 Chamber group (5)
- 3 Domain controlled by a feudal lord (7)
- Member of that part of the C of E that exalts the sacraments and the authority of the priesthood (4,9)
- Punctuation mark (5) 5
- 6 Hamlet's one-time intended (7)

7 Focus of the Rastafarian movement (5,8)

13 Meeting of canons or monks (7)

- 14 Fiery Hell, as described by Dante Aligheri (7)
- 16 OT name for Jerusalem: Shakespearean sprite (5) 18 Not as confident; more squeamish (5)

SOLUTION

Haile Selassie, 13 Chapter, 14 Inferno, 16 Ariel, 18 Coyer. Nonet, 3 Fiefdom, 4 High Churchman, 5 Comma, 6 Ophelia, 7 20 Martyrs, 21 Marilyn Monroe. Down: 1 Mohammedanism, 2 11 Charlie, 12 Excommunicate, 15 Aramaic, 17 Facia, 19 Ittai, Across: 1 Man of the cloth, 8 Hen's egg, 9 Mahdi, 10 Meted,