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ANNIVERSARIES

This month's *Hallam News* carries items about two important anniversaries. One celebrates an event from sixty years ago (page 6) and the other goes back a mere, but nevertheless significant, twenty one years (page 4).

The articles together give a real sense, not just of social history but also of a changing and developing Church. Sponsored walks were in their infancy in the 1960s and the idea of a Bishop taking part in a sponsored walk would have been incomprehensible to most people.

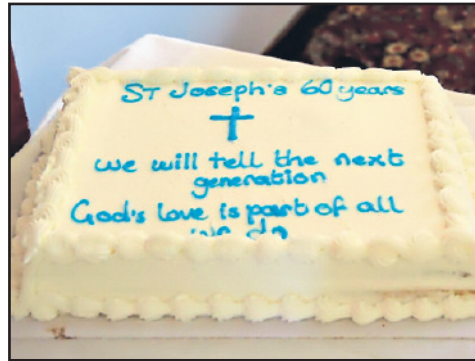
The fact that a new Catholic Church was built in 1959, while a source of great joy to the people of Retford, was not an uncommon event across the country.



St Joseph's, Retford, celebrate 60 years



Bishop's Walk, 2004



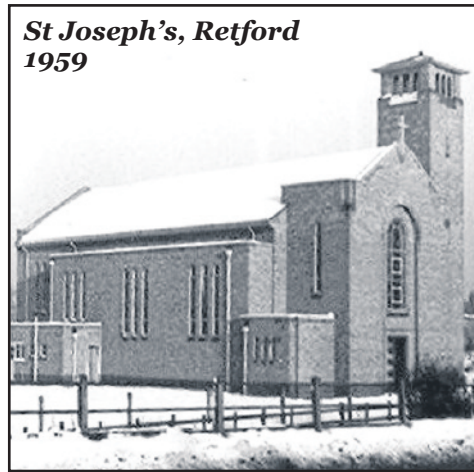
St Joseph's 60 years
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we will tell the next generation
God's love is part of all we do



Clergy and parishioners from Hallam at the Divine Renovation Conference earlier this year



Bishop's Walk, 2017



St Joseph's, Retford 1959

Today as a community we are all too well aware that the current life of our Diocese is being served by parishes joining together and re-forming. Some parishes are investigating the Divine Renovation project. Page 3 contains the fifth article on the work of Fr James Mallon.

The constant theme of all these articles is love of God and love of our neighbour.

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WHAT'S ON IN SEPTEMBER

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| <p>1 Deadline for articles for next issue of the <i>Hallam News</i>.</p> <p>4 Hallam Ascent Group meet at St Francis of Assisi Church Hall, Sandygate Road, Sheffield, S10 5SD, 1.45-3.45pm for a talk about 'Dementia' by Sheila Kennedy. For more details telephone: 0114 2306797, email: ascent@jngreen.plus.com or visit the website: hallamascent.weebly.com.</p> <p>10 Sheffield Branch Walsingham Association serves refreshments after 12.45pm Mass at St Marie's Cathedral, Sheffield.</p> | <p>11 Chesterfield Bereavement Support Group Drop-in/ coffee morning, 10.30am-12noon, The Annunciation Centre, Spencer Street, Chesterfield, S40 4SD.</p> <p>11 Sheffield Irish Association Tea Dance, with live music and refreshments, Philadelphia Club, Martin Street, Uppertorpe, Sheffield, S6 3DP, 1-3pm. All are welcome.</p> <p>24 Sheffield Branch Walsingham Association serves refreshments after 12.45pm Mass at St Marie's Cathedral, Sheffield.</p> |
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SAVE THE DATE

THE ANNUAL SAFEGUARDING EVENT

Saturday 12th October, 9.30am-4pm

This year's event will be focusing on dementia. The event will be open to all Clergy, Safeguarding Representatives, Volunteers and Parishioners. The event is scheduled to take place at St Vincent's Church, Pickmere Road, Crookes, Sheffield, S10 1GY. Refreshments and buffet lunch will be provided. A full schedule and list of guest speakers will follow in the next edition of *Hallam News* and will be disseminated to Safeguarding Representatives in due course. To book a place on the event please contact Jo Pearson (Safeguarding Administrator) on 0114 2566453 or jpearson@hallam-diocese.com.

Caritas Diocese of Hallam

Presentation by Sean Ryan, Caritas Community Sponsorship of Refugees National Coordinator.
 Update by Michael Murphy on the progress of Diocesan Directory of Social Action.
 Saturday, 28 September at the Hallam Pastoral Centre, 10.30am-12.30pm.
 Booking contact: caritas@hallam-diocese.com.

Stained Glass Windows at St Bede's, Rotherham

On Saturday 12 October, at St Bede's Church, Rotherham, following the 9.30 Mass, Mgr John Ryan will give a presentation on the stained glass windows in the church. There will be an opportunity to purchase calendars and pictures of the windows. Refreshments will be served and everyone is welcome.

Class of 1954-55 Sacred Heart School

Michael Bolger, pupil at Sacred Heart School, Hillsborough who left in 1955 aged 15, would like to hear from anyone in his class, email: michael_bolger734@outlook.com.

CONFIRMATION WORKSHOP

Saturday, 14 September, 9.30am-12noon, Hallam Pastoral Centre, refreshments provided. For those delivering or interested in Confirmation programmes. Presentation of three models currently being used by the Diocese. Come along to exchange ideas, discuss experiences and look at resources. To book email: adulthoodeducation@hallam-diocese.com, ring 0114 2566410, or just turn up on the day.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this Month



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

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| 1 | Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Intake, Doncaster. |
| 8 | St Francis of Assisi, Sheffield. |
| 15 | St Joseph, Dinnington. |
| 22 | St Thomas of Canterbury, Kirk Sandall. |
| 29 | St Peter in Chains, Doncaster. |

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JESUS CAME THAT YOU MAY HAVE LIFE, AND HAVE IT ABUNDANTLY (JN X:10) STUDENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS, JOIN US FOR THIS WEEKLY FESTIVAL OF WORSHIP, PRAISE AND HONOUR OF THE ONE WHO PROMISES LIFE.

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Divine Renovation Laying the Foundation

This is the fifth article summarising an important book by Father James Mallon, which is based on his experience of renovating and renewing his Canadian parish. There are lessons in the book for our parishes and our diocese, as we face the challenge of being God's people.

A healthy church is a place where Jesus is at home, and where those who do not yet know him can experience a personal encounter with God. Within our own families, we want our children to be strong and healthy and when they are healthy they grow. When they are not healthy they stop growing, and then we get concerned and seek ways to sort it out. Now look honestly at our churches, and we have to acknowledge that most of them are not growing. That means that they are unhealthy. Father James says that the largest religious category in North America is fallen-away Catholics, and it is probably true in this country that there are more fallen-away Catholics than practising Catholics. Look around you at the weekend Mass and bring to mind those who used to be present but have since left. However comfortable we may be sitting in church with our friends, most of us are still in a church that is unhealthy.

What is it that makes a church strong and healthy? Father James contrasts the experience of being part of an Alpha course with what he sees as typ-

ical of regular church attendance. An Alpha course can be a powerful experience of encounter with God through sharing a meal with others, and sharing with others the issues that matter most in our lives. For many people on Alpha, this transforms them as they recognise God in their own lives and in the lives of others.

Contrast that with a Eucharist which for many is a private and anonymous experience where individuals come into the church building to be with God alone but not with each other. What it often doesn't look like is a banquet, a party, a feast where the guests are excited to be there, they have a good time, and they can't wait to go out and tell others. When visitors come to your church how many of them will say – surely these people love God and love each other (as they said about the early church in the New Testament)? The Eucharist should be the kind of experience where the people go out eager to put into practice the exhortation to 'glorify the Lord with your life'. Can we honestly say that of where we worship?

Pope Francis said, "The parish is not an outdated institution," but our parishes need transformation from top to bottom if they are to be healthy, to grow and to be relevant to the lives of people in the communities where we all live.

Paul Jackson

Walking to Rome to Help Raise Money for St Wilfrid's Centre

Mike Reynolds, parishioner at St William of York, Sheffield, is walking the pilgrimage route to Rome, the Via Francigena, in September. This is the pilgrimage that featured on BBC 1 – Pilgrimage: The Road to Rome, earlier this year. With a companion, he is walking from Lucca to Siena, and then from Bolsena to Rome. The distance will be a little under 250 kilometres.

Mike is leaving Sheffield on Thursday, 12 September, and is planning to reach Rome on Monday, 30 September. There will be 12 days of walking, and rest days in San Gimignano and Siena.

Mike is doing this to help raise money for St Wilfrid's Centre, where his wife Marian is a regular volunteer.

Says Mike, "I am doing this as I really believe in the good work that the Centre does and want to be able to help support it by doing this Pilgrimage."

Inspired by his walking? You can sponsor Mike via Virgin Money Giving: <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/MikeReynolds9> or via the St Wilfrid's Centre office, tel: 0114 255 5720.




Mike Reynolds

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The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) is important and relevant for all. The parish community, in collaboration with the home and school, has a privileged opportunity and responsibility to help all concerned to grow in their faith. This is a lifelong process. To achieve this we need to help those involved with parish catechesis to share this vision and have an adult understanding of their faith.

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Coming of Age: The Bishop's Walk is 21 years old – Bishop John shares some of his reflections

On 21 September a group of invited walkers led by Bishop John and Bishop Ralph will be sponsored to take to the Peak District to help raise vital funds for St Wilfrid's Centre. This year, in keeping with the walk's age, the group will undertake to walk 21km.

The Bishop's walk started as an idea back in 1999 when the then Centre's Director, Sister Kathleen Page, muted the idea with Bishop John to see if he would consider taking part in a sponsored walk to raise funds for the Centre. The Bishop agreed immediately and the first walk took place in 1999 covering 10 miles. Over the years the number of participants has increased with walkers being drawn from all sectors and has included clients, volunteers and staff from the Centre, priests and sisters from the Diocese, as well as headteachers and staff from supportive schools and people from the local business community. Bishop Ralph has kindly continued to support the tradition and the last few years the walk has benefitted from not just one but two Bishops!

The walkers have enjoyed memorable walks over the years taking in various different routes around the Peak District, in all weathers and, with thanks to all the amazing support from everyone in our community, in total the walk has raised over £200,000 for the Centre. This has been a life-line of much needed financial support. Thank you to everyone who has contributed.

We had the opportunity to ask Bishop John to share with us a few of his reflections about what has become an annual fixed event in the Catholic calendar in Sheffield.

Q: What have you liked about the Annual Bishop's Walk?

I have enjoyed walking since I was a youngster, and still find great enjoyment in my walks, but I can truly say that the St Wilfrid's Centre Walks have been among the best and most enjoyable one day walks of all.



Bishop John

The company has always been great fun, the walks well organised, and the routes consistently beautiful. What more could you ask for! A pint in a good pub at the end of the day. And there was always that as well.

Q: And any special memories?

Well the first walk was supposed to be ten miles. It was the shortest ten miles I have ever walked, and we were being sponsored. So, actually quite willingly, we walked another couple of miles. And after that we decided on fifteen as the standard. By the way, 21 km is significantly less than fifteen miles!

Among the very early walks, there was one which had quite a steep hill not too far into the walk. Those were the days of comparative youth and the leading group sailed up it and we were heading off when we were hauled back by Sister Kathleen, the Director, who was furious with the group, and its leader in particular, for going at such a pace. She read the riot act! I suspect that that was the beginning of the tradition of us never being given details of the walk, so that we had to stop every so often to get directions for the next section. It certainly slowed us down

Q: What do you think about the walk being 21 years old?

Where does the time go to?



Admiring the view!

With our sincere thanks to Bishop John, Bishop Ralph and everyone who has contributed and supported the walk over the last 21 years in so many different ways.

If you would like to sponsor the walking group on its 21st Birthday please use the sponsor forms in your church or online via: JustGiving/Campaigns/StWilfridsCentre/Bishops Walk.



Keeping on the move!



BISHOP'S WALK

21st September 2019

The 21st Annual BISHOP'S WALK

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Bishop Ralph with former Director of St Wilfrid's, Kevin Bradley



Bishop Ralph with former Director of St Wilfrid's, Josie Brooks and a St Wilfrid's client

Looking Beyond the Hallam Walsingham Pilgrimage



Bishop Ralph with Sr Maureen of St Oswald's Parish at the Catholic Shrine in Walsingham

The Hallam Diocesan Walsingham Pilgrimage on Saturday, 27 July, led by our Bishop and supported by Fr Ainslie and Deacon Lloyd Edwards, saw hundreds of parishioners from the Hallam Diocese at Walsingham on pilgrimage.

This pilgrimage to Walsingham is one of many in the run-up to the re-dedication of England on 25 March, 2020 as Mary's Dowry.

Last October the crowned statue of Our Lady of Walsingham from the Slipper Chapel, Walsingham visited St Marie's Cathedral, Sheffield. This visit was part of a tour of the dioceses of England in a mission of prayer for the re-evangelisation of England.

Here at St Marie's, Sheffield, as elsewhere, it was a powerful moment of grace. A precursor to a mighty wave of evangelisation that will lead England back to the Christian faith of our Fathers.

The participants of the Hallam Diocesan Walsingham Pilgrimage, encouraged by the Bishops' Conference, meditated on the missionary role of Our Lady of Walsingham for the re-evangelisation of England – Mary's Dowry.

It is the aspiration and hope of many on this Pilgrimage on 27 July that our prayers in a small way would be instrumental for the reclaiming of England as Our Lady's Dowry, when England is re-dedicated on 25 March, 2020 as Mary's Dowry.

Joseph Durham



Walking the Pilgrim Way

MASS TO CELEBRATE MARRIAGE

The annual Mass in Thanksgiving for Marriage took place at the Cathedral on 13 July.

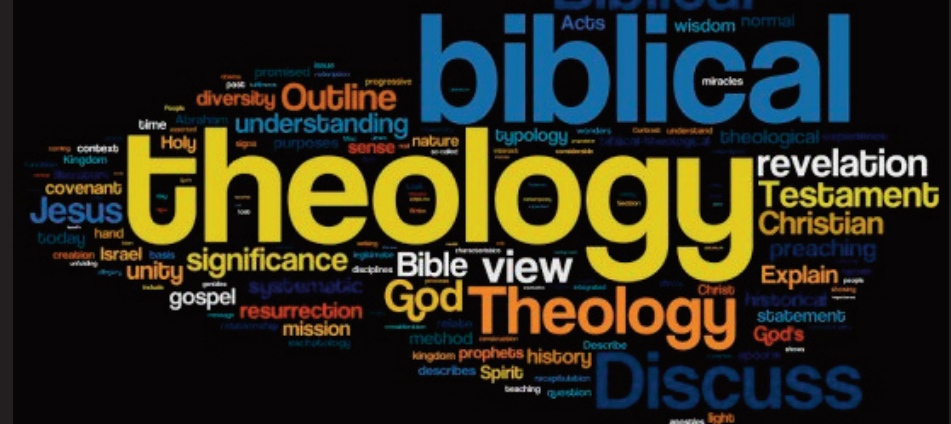
Nearly 200 people, many of them couples celebrating significant anniversaries, received a blessing

from Bishop Ralph and were given a small memento as they departed.

The enjoyment of the occasion was heightened by the music and singing provided by Hugh Finnegan and Chika Agabu, Cantor.

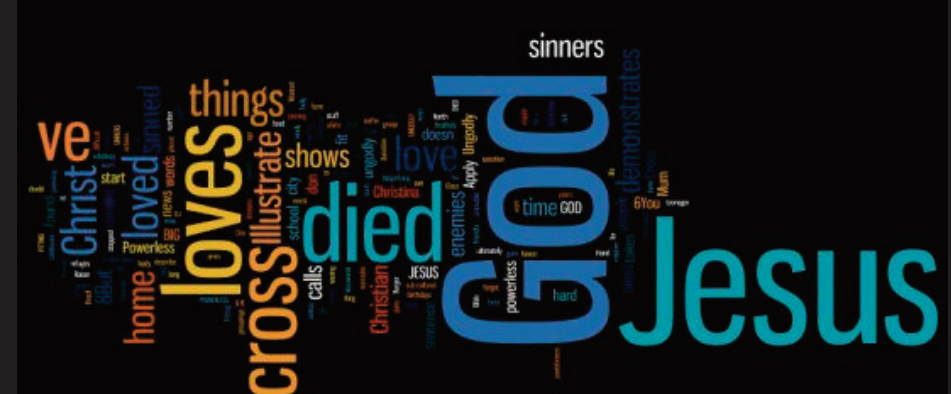


Bishop Ralph with Peter and Sue Marshall (50 years), Frank and Brenda Whitehouse (62 years), Charles and Jane Perryman and Susan Tym.



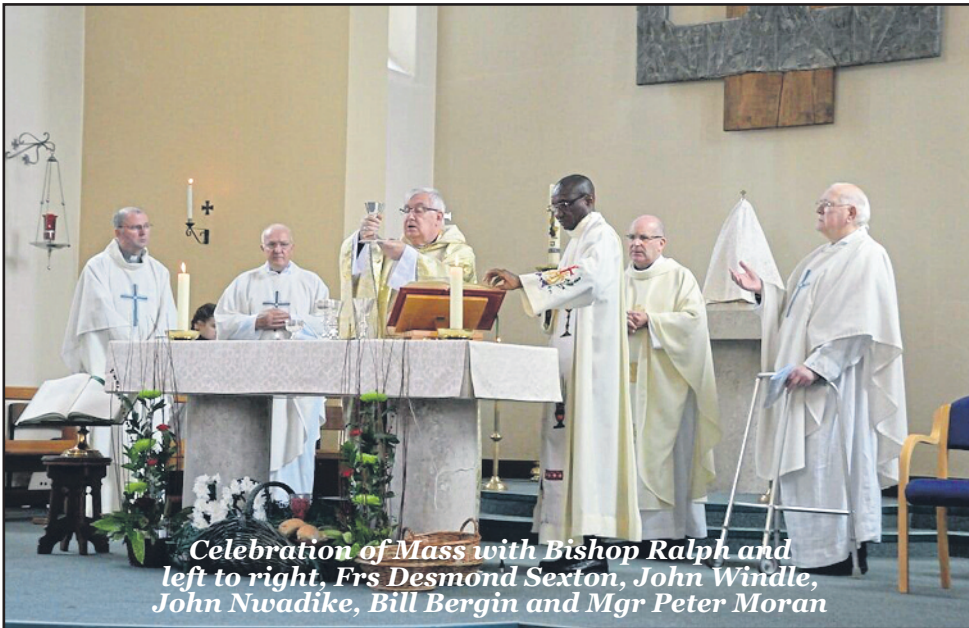
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St Joseph's Church, Retford Celebrates 60 years, with Confirmation



Celebration of Mass with Bishop Ralph and left to right, Frs Desmond Sexton, John Windle, John Nwadike, Bill Bergin and Mgr Peter Moran



Bishop Ralph and Fr John Nwadike with the ten confirmands and their sponsors

St Joseph's Church in Retford is one of the 'youngest' parish churches built in England after the Reformation. Therefore, the parish was delighted to celebrate a new milestone - 60 years in a permanent church.

Many will know that Retford is at the heart of 'Pilgrim Father Country'. Dissenters to the Anglican communion were oppressed - some escaped on the Mayflower and built a 'New World'. 400 years have passed and this is being commemorated across North Nottinghamshire, in Plymouth and in Massachusetts.

Not all could flee and other dissenters were persecuted for a further 200 years, Catholics particularly so in North Nottinghamshire.

The parish, with Fr John Nwadike, was proud to welcome Bishop Ralph to confirm the children, witnessed by four former Parish Priests, Fr Desmond Sexton, Fr John Windle, Fr Bill Bergin and Mgr Peter Moran, the Mayor and Chair of the District Council, and many friends and families.

At the end of the ceremonial celebration, and before the sumptuous banquet in the church hall, Headteacher, Richard Hilton and a group of pupils from St Joseph Catholic Primary School presented a celebratory banner made by the pupils - every one of whom had signed with a thumb-print.

Parishioner, Kevin Murphy gave a valedictory speech thanking everyone, in particular friends, who are not Catholic and explained the significance of the day.



Headteacher, Richard Hilton and children present the celebratory banner

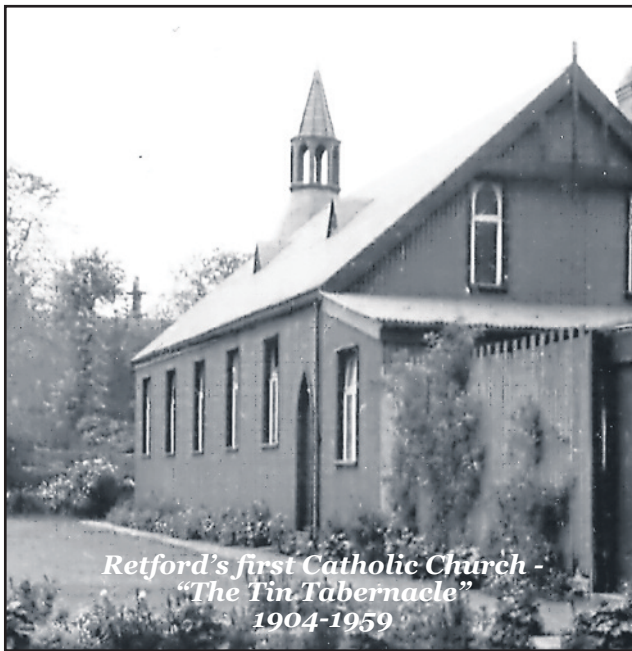
Without the support of so many people the church would never have been built. Seeing the resistance of the local authorities in granting the land, a local non-doctor, who was not a Catholic, bought it and gave it to the community.

When parliament debated freedom for Catholics in the 1820s, the local MP told the House of Commons that 20,000 people had gathered at what is now Cannon Square to protest. That was **fake news** - 20,000 is more than the current **total population** today! A little block of houses just across the road is even **named** Protestant Place 1926.

While Catholic churches sprang up all over the country, for the next 75 years Retford remained a 'mission', served variously from Lincoln, Worksop and Gainsborough. Masses were held



The 1880s Mission Hall, Retford



Retford's first Catholic Church - "The Tin Tabernacle" 1904-1959

in a house and above a shop.

A little white chapel was bought as a Mission Hall in the 1870s, but after a couple of years the priest left. The *Retford Times* reported that the priest had been found drunk in the market square and was given 35 minutes to leave town or spend a week in gaol. Was this trumped up and yet more fake news?

Eventually money was saved and a plot was bought. Plans made and foundations laid, a local landlord protested at the proximity to the road - **and his house**. Litigation costs bankrupted the plans and building stopped.

Again the community was helped by a stranger - the widow of the staunchly anti-Catholic Duke of Newcastle. She bought and paid for the erection of a temporary church - a Tin Tabernacle. That temporary church had to last for another fifty years.

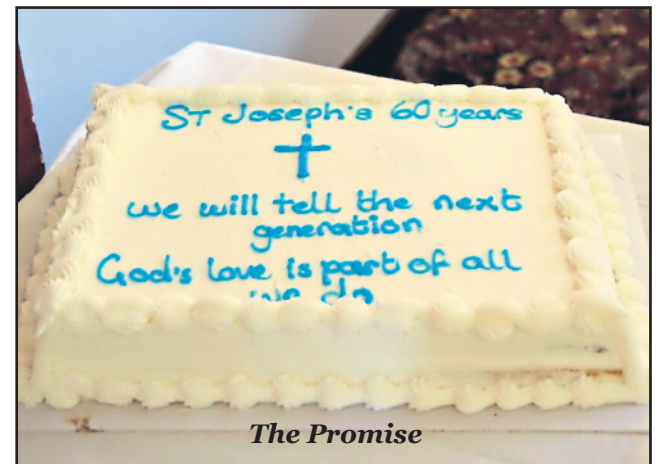
After the Second World War the parish numbers were increased by outsiders welcomed in to help the nation's recovery - over one hundred, mostly Irish nurses at Rampton; many Polish - both refugees from the Russians and also forces who helped win the war; and hundreds of Italians invited over to work on the land, in textiles and as family help.

After a vigorous fund raising campaign, a proper church was started and the first Mass was celebrated in 1959 - 60 year ago. The Tin Tabernacle remained for another 20 years as the Parish Hall.

Fund-raising continued, until all the interior was finished. The final touch was the unusual Crucifix of Christ the Redeemer. Another 11 years and the building was ready for use solely and permanently for carrying out sacred functions. It is now 49 years since that solemn Dedication.

A new hall on this site followed, then the school. The site is now a community hub - from cradle to grave, Christenings, Nursery, Key Stage One, Key Stage Two, Communion, Confirmation, Weddings, Youth Clubs, Men's Clubs and Women's League have flourished over the years, with care for the poor and the sick, fun social events and Food Bank Team.

Fr John from Nigeria follows a line of missionaries including some from Ireland and Hungary, who have served as Parish Priest.



The Promise



St Joseph's - purpose built church completed - the first Winter, 1959



Cutting the cake

St Ann's, Deepcar Pentecost Celebration

St Ann's, Deepcar had a Pentecost Party Celebration to relaunch the parish following the rescheduling of Masses within the cluster of St Mary's, Penistone, St Ann's, Deepcar, Kirk Edge Convent, St Thomas More, Grenoside and St Mary's, High Green.

St Ann's had previously had two Sunday Masses, one at 9.15am and one at 6.30pm. The parish now only has the one at 6.30pm. Whilst many have embraced the change and sought out the benefits; for some it has been more difficult. A group within the parish have been working through the Divine Renovation programme with Fr Joseph and it was during one of these sessions that the relaunch/Pentecost

Party was agreed.

The idea was to celebrate the Pentecost theme, the birthday of the church, and remind parishioners of all the good things that we did and can still do if we all work together.

The church was decorated with bunting and balloons, Bishop Ralph concelebrated with Fr Joseph. The children's liturgy was relaunched. The children, who had created a visual display and decorated their handbands with tongues of fire, returned to church and processed in during the offertory. After Mass everyone enjoyed a party in the church hall. Parishioners told of a joyful atmosphere and a sense of a great energy around the whole occasion.



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Happy 103 Birthday



Minnie Rudderham, a resident of Worksop, celebrated her 103 birthday on 11 July. Our photographs shows her celebrating her very special day with a visit from Sr Elizabeth Buckley, a Sister of The Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary. Sr Elizabeth is based at St Mary's Church in the parish of St Jude.



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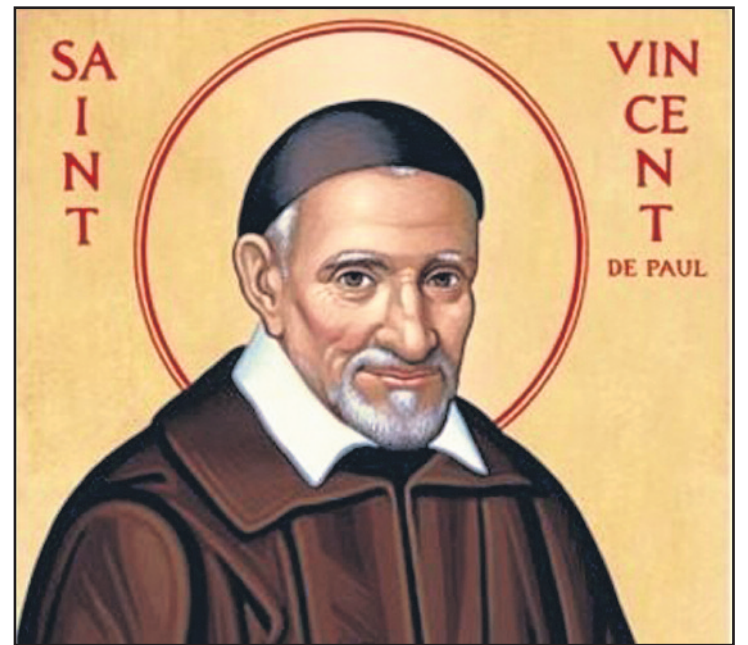
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Celebrating the Feast of St Vincent de Paul

Friday, 27 September is the Feast of Saint Vincent de Paul. His life was based on total dedication to God, which allowed him to live in poverty most of his life and to dedicate himself completely to his work of helping the poor. He had a great sense of humour and was very charming; sounds like quite the Frenchman. His way was really his emphasis on waiting for God to act, rather than rushing ahead, and on keeping things simple. His trust in God was extraordinary and his love for the poor astounding.

Nearly two centuries after his death another Frenchman, Frederic Ozanam, started a group dedicated to seeking out and helping those in need. To reflect the spiritual and human nature of this group, he and his associates adopted St Vincent de Paul as their patron saint, thereby establishing the St Vincent de Paul Society or SVP.

Today the SVP is a worldwide organisation. The first conference was formed in this country in 1844 and today there are over 1,000 conferences with over 10,000 members in England and Wales. In the Hallam Diocese we have 18 conferences



with work going on to establish more.

In recognition of their patron, the SVP in the Hallam Diocese will be celebrating St Vincent's feast day with a special Mass at St Vincent's Church, Pickmere Road, Crookes, Sheffield on Friday, 27 September at 7.30pm. The Mass will be concelebrated by Fr Patrick Walsh, Parish Priest and Bishop Ralph. Refreshments will be served after Mass.

The Mass will be well attended by SVP members from around the diocese, but a cordial invitation is offered to any who wish to attend this celebration.



Solemn Novena in honour of St. Peter of Alcantara October 11th-19th

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The Commissioning Ceremony

Our Mini Vinnie group was founded in St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Retford in 2015, with the help and continued support of the SVP Conference in St Joseph's parish, Retford. We are now entering our fifth year of having Mini Vinnies in school.

Our current Mini Vinnies have been busy working with the school community, the parish of St Joseph's and the wider community of Retford, and the global community across the world. They prepared for Advent by producing prayer cards for the sick and housebound in the parish and collected food for Bassetlaw foodbank. In February they held a Fair Trade afternoon tea party for our parents and carers and visited the food bank in Retford, learning about how the foodbank works. This summer they are preparing for a sponsored event to raise funds for Community Projects in Kerala in South India.

For the next academic year, we have 21 new Mini Vinnies from our current Y5 who were commissioned in June, 2019. They will begin their roles in September with enthusiasm and will be

MINI VINNIES



Prayer cards for the sick and housebound

suggesting ideas at our first meeting to help with future projects. Each meeting begins with a prayer and scripture and continues with discussion, planning and working on projects across the year. Our group will be trained as Playground Buddies (Buddies help children in school who have a conflict with a friend to talk it through and solve it themselves) and will develop a rota to ensure there are Buddies available each play time.

We are very proud of our Mini Vinnie team, a vibrant group of children who make great links between the school, parish and wider community; we would like to thank them, and all those who work alongside them, for their continued efforts. We would like to especially thank the members of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society in Retford for supporting our group and Trish Clarke who gives up her time and organises the work of the St Joseph's Mini Vinnie group.



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The annual celebration of diversity in Sheffield took place in Barkers Pool on Saturday, 15 June, in partnership with Migration Matters Festival for the first time.

Speakers included Bishop Ralph, and five Catholic schools participated - All Saints, Notre Dame, Sacred



Heart, St Catherine's, and St Marie's. Pictured above are pupils from St Catherine's and All Saints who took part in the Festival.

Grateful thanks to all who put time and talent into this public display of collaboration and good will in our city. Well done, everybody!

Our Fathers of Faith

Having spent over a decade quietly working on the significant amount of research that has gone into its production, Fr Nicholas Hird, of our neighbouring Diocese of Leeds, has published the biographical sketches of over 220 men who served as priests of the Diocese. The men featured were mainly ordained between 1915 – 1939, although a few were ordained prior to this period but arrived in Leeds during these years.

The two-volume work is a must for any individual or group looking into their own parish history, and has been described as a "great time waster" by one reader who confessed to spending more time delving into it in one week than doing her household jobs! Like others, she found herself captivated by the life stories of the priests that she had known throughout her younger life, and those of whom her parents had spoken about.

This publication is built on a similar, earlier, work which Fr Nicholas produced in 2008, which covered the years from 1878, when the Diocese was founded, up to the outbreak of the Great War in 1914. The readers of this work will already appreciate what a fascinating insight it provided into the day-to-day life of the Diocese in its formative years. The new books feature some priests who lived long enough to see the dawn of the 21st century, whilst others were just in the Diocese briefly, such as the Belgian refugee clergy who fled the devastation of war and others who were sent on loan as their home dioceses had a surplus of priests! Whilst many of these men lived and died before 1980, ministering in the 'old' Diocese of Leeds which included the area that was to become the Diocese of Hallam, others saw the formation of the new Diocese and were its founding Fathers.



Bishop Marcus Stock (right) receiving the first copy of *Our Fathers of Faith* from Fr Nicholas Hird

Volumes 3 and 4 of *Our Fathers of Faith* together comprise over 600 pages and are largely illustrated with images of the clergy, and are fully referenced for those wishing to develop their own research. Copies can be obtained directly from Fr Nicholas Hird by e-mailing him on nicholas.hird@diocese-of-leeds.org.uk or by telephoning 01274 872984. The cost is £25 for the two volume package.

De La Salle Association Rambling Club

Meet at 10.30am on Sunday, 29 September at the Five Pits Trail car park in Tibshelf (postcode DE55 5NN) for this month's walk. The 5 mile undulating route takes in Upper Pilsley and Lower Pilsley, returning via the Five Pits Trail to Tibshelf, with lunch at The Bungalow.

The leader is Ted Bennett, tel: 01246 892964, mobile: 07831 293356. He may be contacted for more details of the location of the car park in Tibshelf.



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Teen Parenting Programme



Fr Paddy Walsh presenting the parents with certificates, with leader, Sue Tym

Eight parents have completed a course exploring knowledge, skills and attitudes for supporting their teenagers as they embark on the journey to adulthood. The emphasis was on communication and the importance of making time to connect with them.

The six session course was led by Susan Tym, Diocesan Worker for Marriage and Family Life, and held at St Vincent's, Sheffield.

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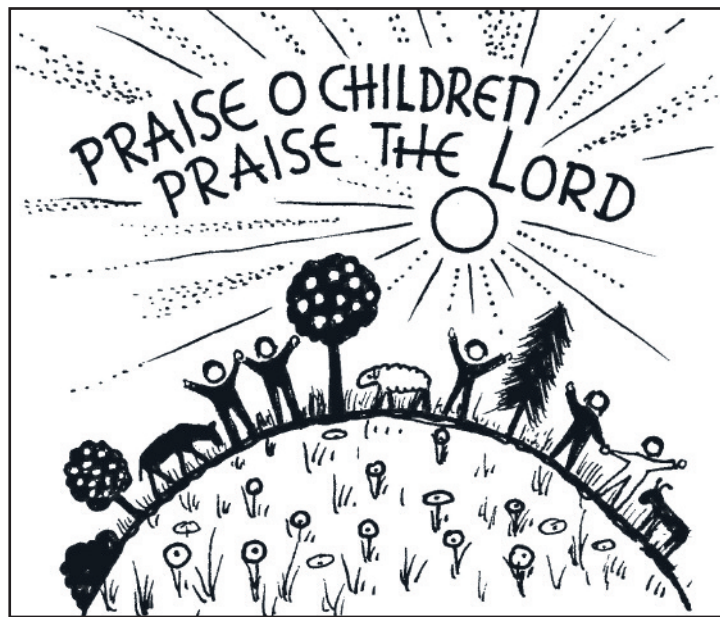
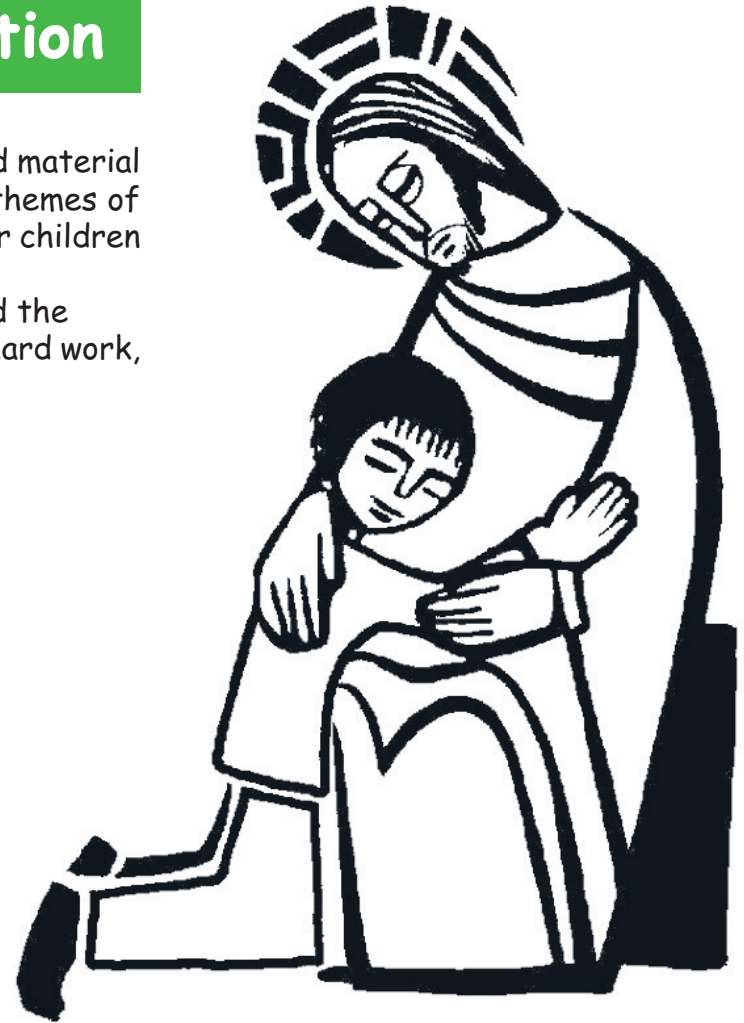
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Welcome to the Children's Liturgy Section

May 2017 saw the start of the Children's Liturgy section of the *Hallam News*.

For more than two years Louise Garnett and Maria Beard have faithfully produced material that has enabled our children to think about the key celebrations, messages and themes of the liturgical year. Adults too have benefitted from sharing these pages with their children as we progress through the celebrations of the life of Christ.

Louise and Maria are now taking a break from this work and the *Hallam News* and the Diocesan Communications Group would like to offer their sincere thanks for their hard work, commitment and skill over the last twenty seven months.



Talents Abound at the Summer Fayre, St Paul's Parish, Cantley

Parishioner, Marian Johnson relates a fun-filled day of surprises at St Paul's, Cantley.

The sun shone and the event brought together family, friends and visitors young and old, from near and far.

Many in the parish family were unaware of the wonderful artwork of one of our very own parishioners, George Cooper. George will tell you this is truly a God-given talent, because he has never been given art lessons. He draws his sketches through spiritual guidance.

George's dream has always been to give back to God and the Church by fundraising through his artwork, but was unsure how that could realistically be achieved. Through humility his sketches were concealed away in his bedroom, until a visitor passed by.

Encouraged to bring them out of hiding George showed them to his Parish Priest at St Paul's, Fr Evangelist Ohaejesi. Father was "blown away" and was so enthusiastic about the pictures that he invited George to display the sketches at the Summer Fayre.

Grateful thanks to St Paul's, St Peter-in-Chains and McAuley Catholic High School for the loan of easels, which greatly enhanced the presentation of this amazing artwork available in both A2 and A4 sizes. Thank you so much to all who enabled George to present £360 as a donation to Fr Evangelist towards Parish funds.

If other parishes would be interested in helping George to fulfil his dream, for proceeds towards your own parish fundraising, please contact George on mobile: 07974 963935 or

home: 01302 530335.

Our very own Masterchefs provided further enjoyment, when they presented their cakes. The International Food Fayre was delicious; appetising aromas drifted around the fun-filled gardens. Various stalls offered games, competitions, children's books and other interesting items including a Bouncy Castle. The red T-shirts of HCPT 101 making a striking and very welcome presence too.

Talents abounded even further with the colourful Irish dancing, and playing of the bagpipes. A final surprise was surprise, a very talented Fr Evangelist playing an instrumental on the drums!!

A wonderful day of friendship, fun and Parish Family togetherness.



George exhibits his pictures



The artist at work

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Please join us for the World's Biggest Macmillan Coffee Morning in the Hallam Diocese on Saturday, 5 October, 10.30am to 12.30pm at St Vin-

cent's Hall, Pickmere Road, Sheffield, S10 1GY.

Coffee, Cakes, Tombola and Raffle and lots of good company, raising money for a very worthwhile cause.

Please bring a cake or buns if you can. Offers of items for the stalls would be greatly appreciated and can be collected or left at the Church Hall.

Please ring Steve Foley on 07711 326 212 for any further information.

EDUCATION IN THE FULLNESS OF HUMANITY

St Joseph's Catholic Academy, Handsworth, Sheffield

News from Headteacher, Debra McFarlane

Race for Life

On Tuesday 16 July, all of the staff and children at St Joseph's dressed in pink, to run their annual "Race for Life." This year the race was run for the first time on the new track around the school field.

This year was particularly special, as the event was used to honour the late Jeff Mason. He was a key figure of St Joseph's Parish, and a school Governor for many years.

Jeff had always had a keen interest in sport and had been a PE teacher in his youth. Tragically he had an accident when cycling when he was younger, this left him paralysed and in a wheelchair for the rest of his life. Jeff didn't let this burden hold him back and continued to support the school, lead scout groups and manage cricket teams, and much more. He truly was an inspirational man!

When he passed away in 2017 he left St Joseph's a sum of money. The school made sure that this was put to good use and had a mile track laid, around the beautiful school field. This track has been named "Mason's Mile"



in Jeff's honour.

The whole school had a fantastic time and agreed that it had been a really memorable day.

Jeff's sister, Audrey, joined the school for the event. She said that the track was extremely fitting and that Jeff would have loved it. She said that if he had been with us, he would have led the race in his wheelchair!



Festival of Art

St Joseph's Festival of Art, celebrated all of the hard work and creativity that had been going on in school all year. The school's new "Creative Curriculum" has been exciting and has engaged all of the children.

The school made the decision to have a whole school arts topic, in our final term, culminating in an ambitious arts festival. The exhibition, really did showcase beautifully all of the talent in our school. We were able to transform our school hall into an art gallery, complete with white display boards and a red carpet. One visitor did say we would give the Tate Modern, a run for their money!

The wonderful children in Y6 were all given responsibilities from designing the posters and brochures to serving glasses of "fizz and canapés," through-



out the exhibition.

Thank you to all of our visitors who came to see our exhibition - we hope you enjoyed it.

We have some fantastic ideas to develop our curriculum further - next year is going to be a very exciting one for all of our children!



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Gold Award in Philosophy for Children for St Catherine's School

St Catherine's Catholic Academy has recently been awarded the SAPERE Gold Award for the outstanding commitment and progress made in Philosophy for Children (P4C).

P4C underpins St Catherine's Curriculum, which is designed to encourage children's independence, develop creative thinking and celebrate diversity. P4C provides an opportunity to create communities of enquiry to develop 4Cs thinking skills: creative, critical, collaborative and caring. Children learn to listen to and respect one another, and challenge and explore the beliefs and values of others. They develop their own views and make more deliberate and responsible judgements. P4C aims to nurture children to think together to increase their understanding and appreciation of the world around them, providing the foundations that will equip and prepare them to be empowered, confident and positive citizens.

Since embarking on the P4C leader role five years ago, Meghan Tipping has been passionate about developing a curriculum enriched by the pedagogy of P4C. Working closely with Deputy Head and Curriculum Specialist, Jonathan Lear, P4C has become the foundation of their curriculum. Achieving the Bronze award in February 2016 and Silver award in April 2017, Meghan has been dedicated to encouraging pupils to have an enquiring mind in all that they do.

The report stated that: *The achievement of the school in developing a thoughtful, question-*

ing, challenging and reflective learning community is exceptional.

P4C at St Catherine's is employed as an approach to teaching and learning within a very impressive long-term and holistic strategy incorporating philosophical conceptions of learning and knowledge and innovative approaches to curriculum, community development, staff development, teaching and learning and arrangements of buildings, learning areas and furnishings.

P4C clearly has a positive influence on the teachers, teaching, community and pupils, including how children and adults interact

with one another. The school's ethos and environment are that of a friendly, caring and collaborative organisation, one which embodies creativity and critical thinking throughout. Children and adults happily engage in a relaxed manner; curiosity is explicitly encouraged, thoughtfulness is nurtured, reflection is given time and is rewarded.

As one of only 17 schools in the UK and the first in Sheffield to receive the Gold Award, St Catherine's are rightly proud of their achievement. They will continue to undertake future work spreading the pedagogy of P4C.



Meghan Tipping and St Catherine pupils with the Gold Award

Leadership with Service

As September is the month in which we celebrate Education Day, a group of pupils from McAuley Catholic High School Student Leadership Team share their understanding of leadership with service.

Leadership is not only how you deal with problems but how you rise to them; sometimes the final decision might not be what you envisaged at the beginning. As long as you try your hardest and don't give up, it doesn't matter how it turns out as long as you gave it your best and are proud of what you have done.

In most schools nearly all students find it hard to find positions of leadership due to them thinking leadership means being dominant, controlling and in power. Whereas, leadership is actually about the action of leading a group of people, so therefore to become a leader all you need is the courage to try to be the person people trust and go to. Consequently, everyone has the values to take up a role of leadership but may just lack the courage and determination. However, if you desire to take up leadership and have enough people around you to support and encourage you, you will find the power to try and hopefully succeed in your pursuit to leadership.

Leadership to us is not just 'leading' but being servants to McAuley. Serving everyone in the community to the best of our abilities is one of the main objectives as Student Leaders. One thing we have learnt is that compromise doesn't mean that our ideas don't work or are no good - it means that the ideas have been adapted to try to suit as many people as possible.



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

- 5 Boy, along with Brian, can't find any banks in African place (10)
- 7 Emoji betrays British spymaster (6)
- 8 Lice returning to the French heads demands order (6)
- 9 Point to vessel at the stern to see a set that's forever young (7)
- 11 Pagan priest is oddly fake, receiving religious instruction throughout (5)
- 13 Condemnation after passenger at the front falls off platform (5)
- 14 Pepper USSR curiously banned after unnecessary modification (7)
- 16 Young Simpson's own goal brings in former star player (6)
- 17 Semitic deity, one among a hundred found in the western half of Ithaca (6)
- 19 He told stories relative to part of Babylonia after being toppled (5,5)

CRYPTIC Down

- 1 Raise the roof here in the Shetlands (4)
- 2 Classical - fancy woman's type of music? (7)
- 3 Journalist on a tabloid raked up an old sovereign (5)
- 4 Some of the Requiem Mass passes over an upset listener (4,4)
- 5 Issue a weapon to the old fellow for the final showdown (10)
- 6 Gideon beat them to southern France, the opposition

carrying a small number (10)

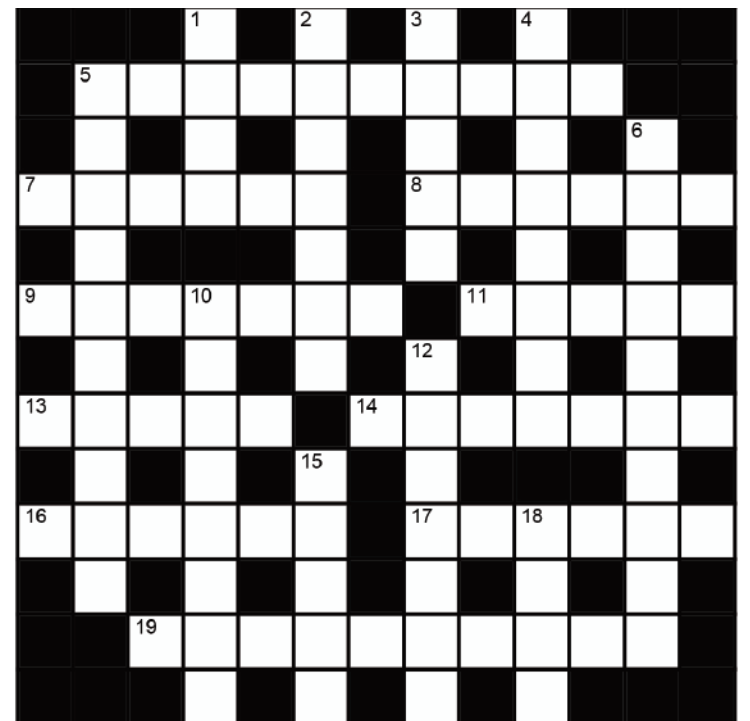
- 10 The French and Americans at Annecy evacuated country - left for a Swiss resort (8)
- 12 Key road under shopping precinct one gets to duck (7)
- 15 Bikini tax follows after exposing fat middle bit (5)
- 18 Disruption of mail here in the Andes (4)

QUICK Across

- 5 Home city to Apollos, an important early Church teacher (10)
- 7 George -----, John le Carré's master spy (6)
- 8 State capital of Texas (6)
- 9 Undying, infinite (7)
- 11 Ancient Celtic pagan priest (5)
- 13 Disgrace; disgust (5)
- 14 Capital of French Guiana (7)
- 16 Humphrey -----, Oscar-winning actor for The African Queen (1952) (6)
- 17 Female demon of Jewish folklore who tries to kill newborn children (6)
- 19 Fictitious storyteller associated with Brer Rabbit (5,5)

QUICK Down

- 1 Second largest island in the Shetlands (4)
- 2 Magical queen of Homer's Odyssey (7)
- 3 ----- Allan Poe, Gothic novelist and poet (5)
- 4 Part of the Requiem Mass, 'Day of Wrath' - Judgment Day (4,4)



- 5 Another name for Megiddo, site of several biblical battles (10)
- 6 Followers of a son of Abraham defeated by Gideon (10)
- 10 Swiss resort on Lake Geneva, the seat of the International Olympic Committee (8)
- 12 Kind of duck: classic British steam engine (7)
- 15 Looping coral strand in tropical waters, often making a complete ring (5)
- 18 Peruvian city founded by Pizarro (4)

SOLUTION

Across: 5 Alexandria, 7 Smiley, 8 Austin, 9 Ageless, 11 Druid, 13 Odium, 14 Cayenne, 16 Bogart, 17 Lillith, 19 Uncle Remus. Down: 1 Yell, 2 Calypso, 3 Edgar, 4 Dies Irae, 5 Armageddon, 6 Midianites, 10 Lausanne, 12 Mallard, 15 Atoll, 18 Lima.