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SHEFFIELD LAY CARMELITES

Carmelite Community in our Diocese. The Lay Carmelite follows the mission of Carmel, which is to transform the world in the light of Christ's teach-This is accomplished through the Carmelite dedication to prayer, community and service.

The lay community is often referred to as the Third Order of Carmelites. Members of the Third Order of Carmelites are not merely taking part in devotion as an add on to life, but rather they are seeking to make the charism of Carmel a way of life.

Recently eight members of Sheffield Lay Carmelites joined the Doncaster Deanery Pilgrimage to the Aylesford Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Carmelites found it a deeply en-

here is a very active Lay riching experience. Simon Godsell made his First Profession while the group was at Aylesford Priory. He was also installed as the new leader of Sheffield Carmel. Simon was presented for Profession by Joseph Durham, who has been a dedicated and committed leader of the Sheffield Chapter for many years.

> After visiting Aylesford the Pilgrimage called at another Carmelite Foundation at Faversham, which is the designated National Shrine of St Jude the Apostle.

> Sheffield Carmelites send sincere thanks to Pauline Allen who both organised the Pilgrimage invited the Sheffield Carmelites to join the group. They also wish to thank Fr Darren Reid who lead the Pilgrimage.





The Sheffield Carmelites currently meet on the second Saturday of the month in the Chapel at the Mother of God Church, Abbeydale Road, just outside Sheffield City Centre. Anyone who feels drawn to Carmelite spirituality is most welcome to attend a meeting, get a feel for the community and perhaps decide to get involved with the Sheffield Lay Carmelites.

Pictured above: Simon Godsell makes his First Profession to Fr Michael Cox.

Left: the group from Sheffield Lay Carmelites with Fr Michael Cox at Aylesford.





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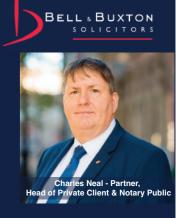


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WHAT'S ON IN DECEMBER

- Deadline for articles for next issue of the Hallam News.
- Hallam Ascent Group meet at St Francis of Assisi Church Hall, Sandygate Road, Sheffield, S10 5SD, 1.45-3.45pm, for a talk by Fr Geoffrey Bottoms about 'The Advent Wreath'. For more details telephone: 0114 2306797, email: ascent@jngreen.plus.com or visit the website: hallamascent.weebly.com.
- Sheffield Branch Walsing 10 ham Association serves refreshments after 12.45pm Mass at St Marie's Cathe dral, Sheffield.
- Chesterfield Bereavement 11 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.
- A Service of Lessons and Carols with Doncaster Choral Society and Our Lady of Perpetual Help RC Primary School, 7pm at Our Lady of Perpetual Help RC Church, 54 High Street, Bentley, Doncaster, DN5 oAT, (see below).
- Sheffield Branch Walsing ham Association serves refreshments after 12.45pm Mass at St Marie's Cathe dral, Sheffield.

SHEFFIELD BACH CHOIR - HANDEL'S MESSIAH

Monday, 2 December, 7pm, Sheffield Bach Choir sing Handel's Messiah in Sheffield Cathedral. Tickets £16, concessions £13, students £6 on the door, under 16 accompanied by an adult – free.

Monday, 9 December, 7.30pm, Sheffield Bach Society Come & Sing Handel's Messiah at St James' Church, Norton, S8 8JQ, seasonal refreshments included. Tickets £12, under 16 accompanied by an adult - free.

Tickets from www.sheffieldbachchoir.org.uk; www.wegottickets.com; Sheffield Cathedral shop; on the door or send a cheque payable to 'Sheffield Bach Society' (include SAE) to Sheffield Bach Society, Box Office, 3 Tapton Mews, Tapton Crescent Road, Sheffield, S10 5EA.



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Advent Service of Lessons and Carols



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Palestrina, Wilcocks, Stopford, Whittaker & Rutter

followed by seasonal refreshments

Sunday 15th December 2019, 4.00pm

Director: Dr. Christopher Edge

Organist: Jordan Williamson

St Joseph's Church, St Joseph's Road, Handsworth, Sheffield, S13 9AT www.stjosephshandsworth.org.uk for information contact: christopher@cemusic.co.uk

Festive Carols at Our Lady's, Bentley

"Easily the best Carol Service I attended in the whole Christmas season and the best that Bentley has seen in many a long year"... that was the quote from one of the visiting clergy from neighbouring churches in 2016, following our first Service of Lessons and Carols with Don-caster Choral Society. The good news is

that he can re-live experience and you too can be there.

Doncaster Choral Society, under the direction of Dr Simon Lindley, will be at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Roman Catholic Church, Roman Bentley, Doncaster on Tuesday, 17 December at 7pm, for an

evening of Lessons and Carols. The service is adapted and slightly abridged from the traditional Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols' familiar to many from the Christmas Eve broadcast from the Chapel at King's College, Cambridge.

becoming a most enjoyable tradition for both the Choir and for our parish community. We will be joined as usual by the school choir of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Primary School and parishioners from our sister parish of Blessed English Martyrs, Askern. This year for the first time the community of St Joseph and St

Teresa, Wood-lands, the newest member of our parish partner-ship, will also be involved.

In addition to the choir set piece carols there will be plenty of opportunities for congregational singing, so do come along and bring your friends.

promises to be another wonderful evening.

Tea, coffee and mince pies will be served in the Jubilee Hall afterwards. Admission is free. There will be a retiring collection. The proceeds will be di-This will be Doncaster Choral Society's third visit in four years. We hope this is and Our Lady's School.

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Ralph, Bishop of Hallam Pastoral Letter read at all Masses on the weekend of 26/27 October, 2019

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ On Vocations Sunday in May, I invited, through a Pastoral Letter like this one, men to come and meet me to find out more about becoming a Priest. Now I am offering the same opportunity for those who would like to explore the possibility of becoming a Deacon.

There have always been men ordained as Deacons with a special emphasis in their ministry on people in need. In the early centuries Deacons were commonplace in dioceses, assisting their Bishops in many ways according to their talents, but always modelling their lives on Christ, the Servant. Over time, Deacons faded from view as becoming a Deacon became only a stepping stone on the pathway to Priesthood. But more than 50 years ago the Church restored the holy order of Deacon, making it again a permanent order and open to married men.

Here in Hallam we have 15 Permanent Deacons at work across the diocese. But more are needed, and younger. More than half of our Deacons are now over 70, with very few under 60. Now is the time for us to ask men already active in their parishes and with a heart for those in need, to come and see how their existing life of service can be developed and more fully given for the life of the Church. "The harvest is ripe, but the labourers are few".

Deacons are ordained while in full time employment. Their talents, working life, as well as their married and family life, all add to the life experiences brought into ministry. This working and family experience, enhanced by the grace of ordination, places Deacons in a unique position, enabling them to become a bridge between the Church and the wider world. Importantly, they are in a position, as ministers, to lead others in building these bridges.

So often people ask, "What does a Deacon do?" But this misses a vital and deeper question. Namely, what is a Dea-





con? It is what a Deacon is rather than what he does that matters. Any amount of 'doing' does not make a Deacon. It is the 'being' that is key. Deacons are to be "a living icon of Christ the Servant within the Church". So a Deacon is first to become as Christ in his servant roles, orientated to the needs of the community in which he serves. Only then does whatever the Deacon does make sense in the context of his ordination.

That said, the ordained ministry of a Deacon has three parts: teaching, sanctifying and pastoral leadership. Teaching is exercised by proclaiming the gospel, preaching and in catechising, especially adults at the margins of the Church. His sanctifying office is exercised in personal prayer, the solemn administration of Baptism, as an ordinary minister of the Eucharist, in blessing (including the blessing of Marriages) and as an ordinary minister for funerals. His pastoral role is exercised in many forms but includes his example, encouragement and servant leadership in whatever may be needed within and beyond the community he serves.

I am asking for men between 30 and 60 years of age to consider whether God might be calling them to greater ministry within the Church, especially for those in need within it and beyond.

Accompanying this letter are leaflets with very basic information about the Permanent Diaconate, but importantly, an invitation to those listening who may be interested, to meet with me on Monday, 4 November at Bishop's House, at 7.30 pm, to explore further the vocation to the Permanent Diaconate. Wives would be most welcome to join us. These leaflets are available today as you leave the Church, or through my office. Yours sincerely in Christ, the Redeemer +Ralph

The God Who Speaks

A Morning for Readers - The Gospel of Matthew A talk on the Gospel of Matthew for the start of Year A

This talk will be held at St Mary's Church, Penistone on Saturday, 7 December, starting with refreshments at 9.30am. The morning will be led by Mgr John Ryan and he will begin his talk at 10am, ending about 12.30pm.

The morning is arranged for readers of the cluster Churches of St Mary, High Green, St Thomas More, Parsons Cross, St Ann, Deepcar and St Mary, Penistone, but everyone, readers or not, is welcome to attend.

If attending from outside the cluster, could you please, if possible, let Chris Wood, St Mary, Penistone, know via email: drcbw@hotmail.co.uk or tel: 01226 765644.



Christmas Mass Times

Our Lady Queen of Peace, Chesterfield with Holy Spirit, Dronfield

Christmas Eve 6pm at Holy Spirit, Dronfield 8pm at Holy Family, Derby Road, Chesterfield Christmas Day Midnight at Annunciation 8am, 9.30am, 11am at Annunciation

Corpus Christi Parish

Christmas Eve 5.30pm Christmas Vigil at St Michael, Wombwell Midnight Mass St Helen, Hoyland Christmas Day 10am Sacred Heart, Goldthorpe

St Paul, Cantley

Christmas Eve Carols 7.30pm, Mass 8pm Christmas Day 10.30am

Christ the King, Rossington Christmas Eve 6pm Christmas Day 9am

St Joseph, Retford

Christmas Eve Midnight Mass preceded by carols 11.30pm, blessing of the crib 11.45pm Christmas Day 9.30am

Our Lady and St Thomas, Meadowhead

Christmas Eve
4.30pm Carol Service, 5pm Mass
with Children's Nativity,
9.30pm Carol Service, 10pm Mass
Christmas Day
8.30am at English Martyrs (Chapel
of Ease)
10am at Our Lady and St Thomas
St Francis of Assisi, Sandygate

Christmas Day 10am St Joseph and St Charles, Sheffield

Christmas Eve 5pm at St Charles 8pm at St Joseph Christmas Day 8.30am at St Charles 10am at St Joseph

Christmas Eve 8pm

St William of York, Sheffield

Christmas Eve 5.30pm and 9pm Christmas Day 9.30am

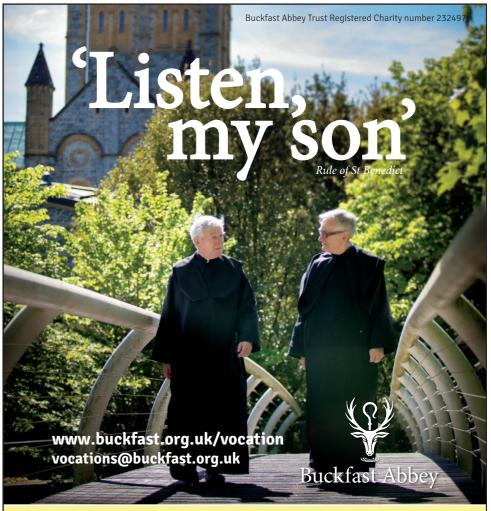
Immaculate Conception, Spinkhill

24 December 6.30pm Vigil Mass 25 December Midnight Mass at midnight, day Mass at 10am

St Jude, Worksop

Christmas Eve 9pm St Joseph, Worksop Christmas Day 9.30am St Helen, Oldcotes 11am St Mary, Worksop

Bishop Ralph will lead a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 18-25 March, 2020. For more details contact Joe McNally, joegmcnally@btinternet.com; telephone: 0114 236 4076 or mobile: 07891072858.



God calls to us constantly, longing to guide those who yearn for life and desire to see good days into the way of peace. The Rule of Saint Benedict helps us to hear God's voice, in the Holy Scriptures, in the sacred liturgy and in our brothers in community. If you are a single man longing to live your Catholic faith in a way which brings great joy as it demands the best of you, consider whether God is calling you to be a Benedictine monk at Buckfast Abbey.

Please reach out to us, and we will do all we can to help you.

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MOUNT MELLARY ABBEY AND SHRINE, WATERFORD, IRELAND

St Mary's, Penistone have a 6 day Pilgrimage/Holiday with a Leger Holidays Silver Service coach departing Monday, 24 August, 2020. The main focus is the Cistercian Monastery where there will be a guided tour of the Abbey and grounds, as well as celebration of Mass with the Monks.

Based in Enniscorthy, there will be trips

to Wexford, Waterford and Kilkenny and a visit to Powerscourt Gardens, prior to spending an afternoon and overnight stay in Dublin.

Cost for coach, ferry, hotels, including breakfasts and evening meals, is £609

More details from Brendan Lally, mobile: 07949241108.

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Union of Catholic Mothers hold a Study Day



Members of the Union of Catholic Mothers of the Hallam Diocese recently met up for a Study Day in Sheffield. The topic of the day was based on Pope Francis' apostolic exhortation *Gaudate et Exsultate* - On the Call to Holiness in Today's World.

The day was led by Mrs Angie Higginson, Hallam Study Officer, (pictured on the right). Against the background of Pope Francis's universal call to live holy lives with a fresh approach, we are all encouraged to strive for holiness in our normal every day experiences.

So it was that participants in the Study Day discussed their roles in the family, in friendships and in their professions. They considered how

to make peace, where there was conflict in any area of their life.

Members were encouraged to reflect on their daily life with love and openness in order not only to draw closer to God, but also to bring others to Christ by their example.





Macmillan Coffee Morning

Steve Foley shares details of a very successful Macmillan Coffee Morning held at St Vincents, Sheffield. He tells us "We had the best morning ever - a packed hall full of smiles and great company, raising funds for a very worthy charity.





CONGRATULATIONS!



Congratulations to Mrs Pauline Bullivant, the youngest member of the Union of Catholic Mothers at St Vincent's Foundation, Sheffield. A longstanding member and the current Treasurer of the Foundation, Pauline recently celebrated her seventieth birthday. Ad multos annos!

Harvest Rainbow

Children from St Mary's Catholic Primary School in High Green, Sheffield organised a collection of food for their local food bank.

The group of children, part of Mini Vinnies (the primary school branch of St Vincent de Paul) challenged the rest of their school to 'Make the Rainbow.' The school community rose to the challenge and the group of children carried all the contributions to the St Saviour's Community Project where it was received with thanks. The food collected will be used to create hampers for families over the next couple of months.

President of Mini Vinnies, Jessica, a Y6 pupil at St Mary's, said that the group felt that this project was an important one to support as we are taught to share what we have with others in need. The group thanked God for the blessings of harvest and prayed for the people who would receive the food.



"We raised £1.933 on the day which is just brilliant and our best ever result. Thanks to everyone who supported this event. We look forward to seeing you again next year."

Our photos show the busy kitchen serving coffees and refreshments, a packed tombola stall which was full of surprises and the cake stall which was full of goodies.





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Laudato Si in Action

The parish of Our Lady and St Thomas, Meadowhead, celebrated Creation Season from 1 September till 6 October in response to Pope Francis' call in his encyclical Laudato Si.

cakes, jams, bread, art works and poetry, as well as tinned meat and tuna for St Wilfrid's Centre and groceries for Grace Food Bank. They were joined by the Bishop of Salford, John Arnold, original cakes, jams, bread, art works and poetry, as well as tinned meat and tuna for St Wilfrid's Centre and groceries for Grace Food Bank. They were joined by the Bishop of Salford, John Arnold, originate cakes, jams, bread, art works and poetry, as well as tinned meat and tuna for St Wilfrid's Centre and groceries for Grace Food Bank.

After starting with special prayers, parishioners, using the Newsletter and a special tree, began to put their faith into action by sharing Top Tips of ways they have found to reduce energy consumption and take better care of Creation. The Children's Liturgy Group made their own special Lego tree to add to their Creation display.

Then all were encouraged to make a pledge, written on a footprint, to show the new steps they would take, as individuals and as a parish, to work for Net Zero emissions and better care of our common home. They decorated the church with quotes from Laudato Si and beautifully imaginative wreathes depicting the things they love in creation.

The culmination, on the Sunday nearest the Feast of St Francis, started with Harvest Masses. People brought a range of gifts: fruit and vegetables, home-made cakes, jams, bread, art works and poetry, as well as tinned meat and tuna for St Wilfrid's Centre and groceries for Grace Food Bank. They were joined by the Bishop of Salford, John Arnold, originally from the parish and now the leading bishop on the environment as well as a Trustee of CAFOD. Though emphasising the critical state of the environment, he had words of hope and encouragement to inspire further action.

The Hall was full of parishioners who stayed after Mass for the shared lunch of produce chosen with a focus on LOAF principles (Local, Organic, Animalfriendly, Fairtrade). Extra items were sold and the proceeds added to CAFOD's Harvest Fast Day collection. During the meal the Global Healing video was shown to encourage Climate Conversations and the signing of the new CAFOD petition to the Prime Minister asking him to act quickly to ensure: the urgent implementation of policies to achieve net zero emissions by 2045; that UK investments be consistent with keeping the global temperature rise below 1.5° (it is



already up 1.1°) and that the UK should show strong leadership internationally. This was followed by the CAFOD Climate Quiz through which much was learned! Looking ahead, plans are in place to see how the parish can implement the Diocesan Environmental Policy and continue to Live Simply so that others may simply live.

The day ended with the annual Pet

Blessing by Fr Gus for a variety of remarkably well-behaved animals, including chickens.

Photographs: above watching the CAFOD film during lunchtime, below left gifts for harvest festival, below centre Bishop John Arnold meets two members of the Outreach Group, below right the tree for suggestions for reducing carbon footprint.







Come and See 2019

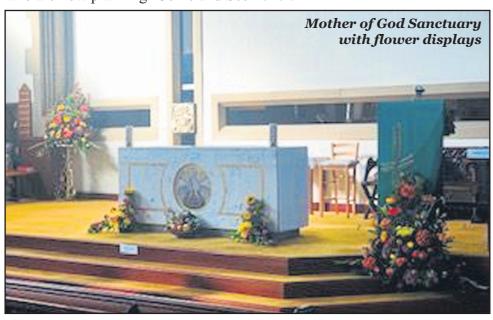
Mother of God parish were overjoyed with the response to 'Come and See' Open Day. This was held on Saturday, 21 September and attracted over one hundred people who had no previous connection with Mother of God, and lots of parishioners.

This was the result of months of planning and leafleting every house in the parish. Eighty six parish volunteers were involved in the day. Welcomers greeted visitors and stewards explained the significant parts of the church, with the organ playing gently in the background.

Tea and vast amounts of cakes were provided in the Parish Centre while the children enjoyed games and creative activities.

The day ended with Mass and the testimonies from three parishioners describing what Mother of God parish meant to them. The celebration was enhanced by the children from St Wilfrid's school taking part in the offertory procession.

Comments from visitors and all those who took part in the day confirmed how worthwhile 'Come and See' had been to the community, and to the parish who are now planning 'Come and See 2020'.









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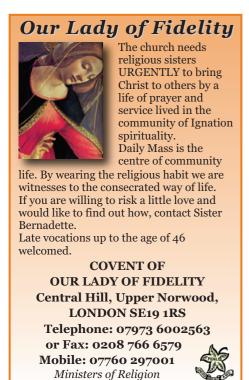
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Kathleen Fields RIP

The death of Kathleen Fields prompted her close friend to look back on Kathleen's life within her Catholic community.

Kathleen was a founder member of St Anthony's Church, Sandby Drive, Gleadless. Many people including Joan and Jack Goodwin, Mary Webster, Mrs Cooke, Margaret and Jack Harris, helped to raise money to buy land and then build a church. At that time we had Mass in one of the hangars in the RAF Camp on Norton Avenue, across the road from where the land was eventually purchased.

Originally there was the possibility of a school, church and church hall. Everybody worked hard including the priest who was appointed. People were moved from industrial Sheffield to Gleadless and Wybourn estates. Many families, including Kathleen's parents, were moved to the Wybourn. Kathleen attended St Oswald's School and Church. They were used to hard work and community togetherness. Kathleen married Bert Fields and they got a house on the new estate, the top side of the new Gleadless. There was to be a new church at the top side of Gleadless. Kathleen and all the young mothers worked hard to raise money to buy the land to build a church and other

Kathleen had three children, Mark, Marie and John. At the beginning the children used to be taken by minibus to school. The church on Sandby Drive was built. Parishioners continued to work hard. Kathleen Fields always contributed to all fund raising events. She used to dash into church on a Sunday morning with a prayer book in her hand, saying her prayers as she walked to Mass. Every week she would call into St Marie's and buy another prayer book or her son, John, would call in for her.

Several of us used attend Marie's on Holy Days and especially St Patrick's We would Day. join in all the celebrations and end up for the rest of the day in Wetherspoons for a meal and a drink. Kathleen was full of fun, a realist, a very good friend, a dedicated Catholic from birth.



After her husband, Bert, died, she used to go on holiday with her sister, Maureen. Eventually she moved as she had broken her leg and the family thought it would be better for her to be in a flat. I was privileged to take Holy Communion to Kath-

Sadly, within a few days of a very short illness, she was taken from us. We are all in shock at the sudden death of Kathleen Fields, who dedicated her life to St Anthony's. The Goodwin family continue to work hard and others within the community to raise money for St Anthony's, a good, family-orientated community. May it continue.

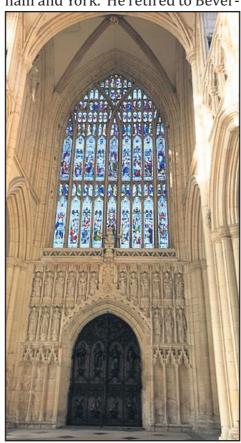
God Bless Kathleen. May she rest in peace.

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HALLAM ASCENT TRIP TO BEVERLEY MINSTER

It was a very welcome sunny day, ley and built a following long periods of rainfall, when members of the Hallam Ascent group boarded a coach to take them to Beverley. The group met at the parish church of St Francis of Assisi to celebrate Mass together before setting off. Once the coach made its way through the gridlocked Sheffield traffic, the pace picked up and we arrived at Beverley to be welcomed by two very knowledgeable guides, Ian and John, to take us round the magnificent Minster.

We learnt about the historical background of the Minster that is mentioned in Bede's book "Ecclesiastical History of the English People" and owes its origins to John of Beverley who was Bishop of Hexham and York. He retired to Bever-



church where the Minster now stands. Miracles through the intercession John of Beverley made church a place of pilgrimage. original church was possibly destroyed by Vikings, but its prominence was restored King when Athelstan was successful battle and awarded Beverley the freedom

amongst other freedoms. priests did not live in the Minster but 'ministered' from it to the sur-Minster's status was reduced to a carved wood. began in the 18th century saved it from collapse.

There is much to see and admire in the Minister, and this account cannot do it justice, but a few artefacts are worthy of note.

- Beverley Minister was used as a background for many historical dramas. It is used to stand in for Westminster Abbey for the scene of the coronation of Queen Victoria.
- The Ouire contains the Percy canopy which commemorates the death of Eleanor Percy and is of a



for the church to become a Minster, superb quality, arguably one of the best stone carvings to be seen anywhere.

- The choir stalls date from Tudor rounding communities. Beverley times and are made of richly
- parish church after 1548 when it The Font made of Frosterley marceased to be a Roman Catholic ble is possibly one of the oldest church, but restoration which items in the Minster, far earlier in date than the building in which it stands. The heavy wooden structure that cover the font when it is not in use can be lifted with a single finger, due to a restored cantilever system in the loft.

Following on from the tour of the Minster we were then free to look around the lovely town of Beverley. The coach collected us at the prescribed meeting place and thanks to the fact that the traffic was much lighter on the way back, we returned in time for tea.

TWO BEDROOMED FLAT FOR THE **ELDERLY WITH PADLEY HOUSING**

Padley Housing is a locally based Housing Association specialising in flats to rent for retired people. Padley's largest property is a development of sheltered flats at Ludlam House, on Berners Road Arbourthorne. The property was built by Padley in 1973, and, at that time, the trend in retirement flats was to build studio flats or bedsits with a kitchenette, living and sleeping area within one room and a separate shower room/WC.

Over the years, studios and bedsits have become less popular, with most tenants now preferring a self-contained flat with separate bedroom, lounge, bath or shower room and kitchen. In previous years, Padley extended Ludlam House to convert 10 studios into one bedroom properties, but there were still a number of studio flats within the building which could not be

Padley's latest conversion scheme involves combining adja-

cent bedsits into a single, spacious flat with lounge, kitchen, bedroom, shower room/WC and a second bedroom or study. It has already converted three such

flats, and found them to be very popular with residents. Work is just beginning on a fourth conversion, which should be complete in January 2020.

Padley Housing Association is run by a Committee of volunteers who are mostly retired people themselves, who take decisions about the management and maintenance of the

properties and the welfare of the tenants. The Committee meet four times a year. They are advised by professional accountants and property managers, to make sure that all decisions are compliant with current rules and regulations. As a charitable body, Padley's focus is on providing comfortable, safe housing for retired residents, and re-investing funds in property maintenance and improvements.

If you are interested in applying for a Padley property or joining the Management Committee please contact Hunters, 208 Crookes, Sheffield, S10 1TG, 0114 6626,

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Statue of St Julie Billiart with the Notre Dame Federation Banner

showing of the film "The Way", featuring Martin Sheen as one of four pilgrims, wounded by life experiences, who find healing during the journey to Compostella.

We left for home on Monday having enjoyed an inspiring weekend meeting old friends and making many new ones from the Notre Dame family of past pupils, eager to meet them all again next year and for years to come.



British Federation of Notre Dame Associations Conference Weekend

On Friday, 30 August, members of the British Federation of Notre Dame Associations from around the country gathered at Hinsley Hall, Leeds, for the annual conference and AGM of the British Federation of Notre Dame de Namur Associations. The federation is an important link for past pupils and students of all Notre Dame establishments around Britain. Many areas where there is, or has been, a Notre Dame school have a local association, meeting on a regular basis. Other areas, like Sheffield, no longer have an official association (although the Sheffield group still meets for Christmas dinners and similar occasions). Members in these places have a direct membership category.

Fraught by having had a puncture on our journey from Sheffield, my friend Pat Smith and I arrived just in time for conference secretary Lorraine Platt's excellent, relaxing zumba/pilates session. This was the first of several optional social events, which included an evening singing popular songs, a quiz and a game of pass the parcel, involving more fitness exercises.



Icon of the Holy Family, Hinsley Hall Chapel

Saturday morning always involves a visit to a place of interest, this year to the lovely town of Wetherby, for which we had a specially prepared leaflet about local attractions. There was no meeting at the racecourse, so we missed having a flutter on the horses! Before returning to Leeds we had refreshments at 10% discount in Bar 3.

There were plenty of excellent quality handcrafted fancy goods, including scarves, knitwear and cards, made by members and friends, so we could buy Christmas presents whilst supporting the Federation charity.

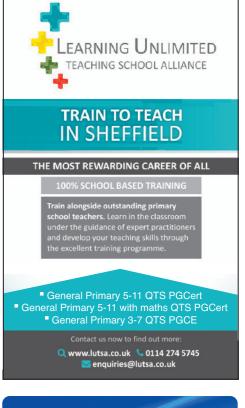
In the afternoon, president Diane Donovan chaired the AGM, which included an enlightening presentation by honorary Nigerian chief, Sr Annette Sullivan, about the order's work in Nigeria, since 1962. Today, most of the sisters there are Nigerians. The country spends less on education than does any other African state. Its greatest threats are Boko Haram, corruption, low life expectancy, poor public health provision, an increasing divide between rich and poor and high illiteracy. The sisters promote girls' education, believing educated women will achieve more than men are currently doing. They aim to build a secondary school, at a cost of about £20,000, in Ogwa, where they already have a primary school.

Evening prayer was followed by a glass of Prosecco, prior to the annual dinner, after which one member spoke of memories of visiting Rome, aged 14, for the canonisation of St Julie Billiart, who founded the Notre Dame order. Another gave us her account of a more recent visit to commemorate the canonisation's 50th anniversary.

Chaplain, Fr Chris Thomas said Mass on Sunday, preaching a thought provoking sermon about humility. For those who stayed until Monday there was a walk in Woodhouse Park and an evening



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Family Prayer

During Advent, we are preparing to celebrate the birth of God's son and so it helps if we pray daily to get our hearts ready.

This family prayer from Loyola Press is a good starting point to help you and your family in your spiritual journey.

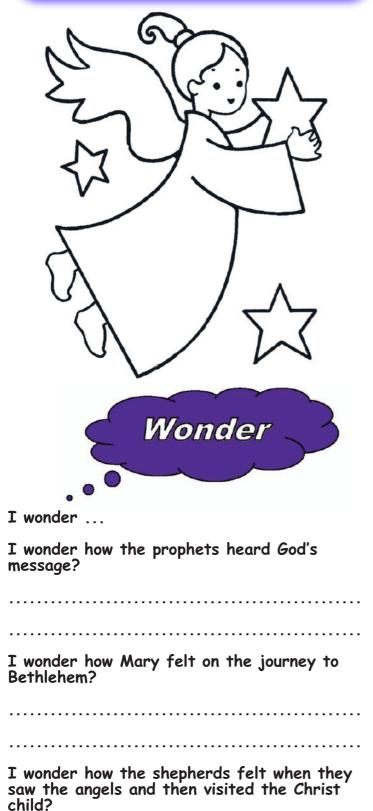
God of Love, Your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us.

He is a sign of your love.

Help us walk in that love
during the weeks of Advent,

As we wait and prepare for his coming.

We pray in the name of Jesus, our Saviour. Amen



Welcome to the Children's Page about Advent

Advent is a time of preparation: a time of waiting to celebrate the coming of the "beloved son" of God. He is the chosen one, whom God said he would send us. Advent asks us not to get to Christmas too soon but to wait ... and wait until it comes. Then the Church offers us three weeks in the Christmas season for all our celebrations.

The season of Advent begins the Church's Year. The first Sunday of Advent is the first day of our new Church calendar.

An Advent wreath helps us to follow the journey towards Christmas. Each Sunday a new candle is lit. There are four Sundays in Advent so there are four candles. Often the candles are of our Advent colour - purple, and sometimes a pink one for the third Sunday, 'Gaudete' or 'Joy' Sunday.

Have a look in your church or school. Can you see an Advent Wreath? How many candles are lit? Perhaps you may have an Advent wreath at home?

A fifth candle, a white one, will be lit when Christmas comes.

Fill in the gaps. There are some letters to help you. Some of the answers will be on this page and some you may have to ask a grown up to help you with.

We wait for f_____ weeks, during the season of A_____ to celebrate the birthday of Jesus. God promised to send a s_____.

Mary agreed to be the m____ of Jesus. The a____ s announced Jesus' birth to the shepherds. Jesus is the S____ of G____.



Advent Kindness Tree Activity

In preparation, during Advent, talk to your child about doing kind deeds for others.

Help them to make a tree out of green paper and then as they do a kind deed, write it on a piece of paper and stick on to the tree.

Make the kindness deeds general, not specific to one person, eg set the table for dinner, do the washing up.

Hello Yellow at St Bernard's School





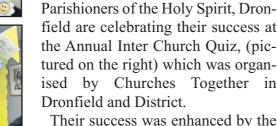
Health Awareness in Young Peo-Secondary head teachers from

Hallam Heads support Mental

across the Diocese joined with Bob Sawyer, Diocesan Director of Secondary Schools, to support Young Minds Mental Health Awareness day at St Bernard's Catholic High School, Rotherham on 10 October.



Victory for the **Holy Spirit**



field are celebrating their success at the Annual Inter Church Quiz, (pictured on the right) which was organised by Churches Together in Dronfield and District.

Their success was enhanced by the fact that this is the second successive year that the Holy Spirit Parish has been victorious.



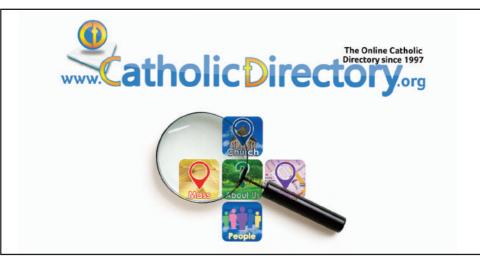
Siobhan Kent, Principle of St Bernard's, said, "As a school St Bernard's is passionate about the mental health and wellbeing of our students being as important as their academic success. We do all we can to bring the staff and students' happiness and care of each other to the forefront of our daily work. It





was an absolute pleasure (and lots of fun!) to celebrate HelloYellow as part of our week and bring awareness to good mental health in all our young people. Our passion is to keep mental health always in our daily activities as well as celebrating wonderful days such as these!







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MP Urges Faith Communities to Help Society Set New Caring Priorities

Sheffield Central Labour MP Paul Blomfield has urged faith communities to play a major part in setting new priorities for society that would make Britain a more caring and inclusive country

Mr Blomfield was speaking at the end of the annual Sheffield Church Action on Poverty Pilgrimage, which saw a record number of 40 people from different faith communities visit initiatives aimed at reducing poverty in the city.

This year's Pilgrimage focused on initiatives, mostly located within his constituency,

based at Anglican and Methodist Churches, the Madina Mosque and Heeley City Farm, as well as St Vincent's Furniture Store and St Wilfrid's Centre established by Sheffield's Roman Catholic community.

Mr Blomfield told those taking part in the Pilgrimage that there was a need to reestablish the post-war cross party consensus on the need for

taxation to provide services for all and tackle inequality. "When I was a child, Budgets were about putting 1p on this and 1p on that to maintain public resources and create the kind of society we wanted to live in.

"More recently, politicians have been measured by how effective they are in cutting taxation, but that has a consequence,"

The Government's austerity programme had shifted responsibility for cuts from Westminster to local councils and had led to the most disadvantaged areas facing the deepest cuts.

We need to reverse the narrative about austerity. We need to challenge the consensus around taxation and spending. We need to recognise that we can't have Swedish style public services on American style taxes.

'We need a cross party, societal agreement. Faith communities have a hugely important role in taking that debate forward

and helping to shift that debate," said Mr Blomfield.
This year's Pilgrimage began at Highfield Methodist Church, which is currently undergoing a major refurbishment to enhance its place as a community asset, and is also a base for worship for the local Liberian community who came to Sheffield as refugees in 2004.

Pilgrims went on to visit:

Madina Mosque, which annually feeds around 5,000 people of different faiths during Ramadan in addition to making major contributions to city food banks and other charities.

Heeley Parish Church, where £310,000 is being spent on creating flexible space for the community, in addition to its Cafe Care initiative, which provides food and assistance for disadvantaged people. The church also hosts services for worshippers from the local Ethiopian Orthodox and Nepalese refugee communities.

Heeley City Farm, which provides 'Health Holiday' breakfasts and activity sessions during school holidays for children who might otherwise go hungry; in addition to supplying more than 13 tonnes of fresh produce to food banks and other city initiatives and providing advice and support to help people with difficulty funding their energy bills through its Energy

• St Vincent's Furniture Store, which prevents around 120 tonnes of good quality furniture and other household goods from going to landfill by recycling and distributing it free of charge to people in need; supplying special 'starter packs' for those moving into unfurnished homes.

• St Wilfrid's Centre, which provides a safe space, food, activities and personal development opportunities for people who include rough sleepers, sufferers of domestic violence and mental health problems, asylum seekers whose cases have been rejected and people who have been trafficked, many of them from other British towns and cities. Two years ago the Centre opened St Wilfrid's Place, creating 20 self-contained apartments for adults with a history of homelessness.



Participants in the 2019 Sheffield Church Action on Poverty Annual Pilgrimage show their support for the End Hunger UK campaign by 40 national charities, frontline organisations, faith groups, academics and individuals working to end hunger and poverty in the UK, before setting off to visit initiatives aimed at reducing poverty in the city. Photograph and report courtesy of Bob Rae



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

- 7 Descendant of Cain church find feeble at first (6)
- 8 Archbishop's grandmother is going after chap with drugs
- 9 Caesar is distinguished put against our lot (8)
- 10 Take back-road from Arctic region and find something fishy (4)
- 11 Noah'sson'sclosingborder(4)
- 13 Sounds upset, look you, one in the Sanhedrin (8)
- 14 Hilly part of London obviously needs elevated access (8)
- 18 Cleric in East Anglia's first to work in Iceland (4)
- 20 Tribe place top Levites in confinement (4)
- 21 In favour of action: words are for a book (8)
- 23 Some signs of a familiar Australia comeback, with backing of support the key (6)
- 24 Does this stress a Mediterranean type? (6)

CRYPTIC Down

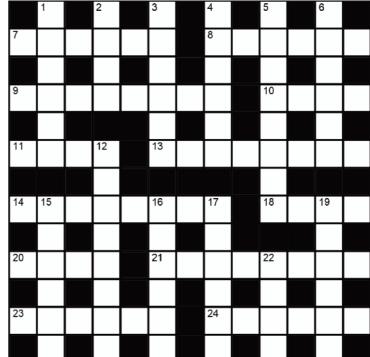
- 1 Book to ban at university and church (6)
- 2 In Le Mans I almost get to grips with an ancient road
- 3 It is a bit theatrical, this article on a Greek water goddess
- 4 Pursued, but remains virtuous, we're informed (6)
- 5 Get Durer to re-imagine the Danish queen (8)
- 6 Is able to name many lost after classic battle (6)
- 12 Ham, a main reason for David's headquarters being here
- 15 Homes are individual with great cloakrooms (6)
- 16 Beast for the mountain, one Colombia-bound (6)
- 17 Almighty crater after road is all dug up (6)
- 19 Died with atmosphere to a degree upsetting for a scribe

of Esdras (6) 22 Where David fought Goliath: healthy, but keeled over (4)

QUICK Across

- 7 Descendant of Cain, husband of Adah and Zillah
- 8 Cardinal John ----: Archbishop of Westminster (1963-1975) (6)
- 9 ----- Caesar, first Roman Emperor (27 BC-14 AD) (8)
- 10 Edible scombroid fish (4)
- 11 Son of Noah, ancestor of both Jews and Arabs, and the language group still spoken (4)
- 13 One of the conservative aristocratic Jewish priesthood named possibly after Zadok (8)
- 14 London N6? (8)
- 18 Icelandic books of epic mythological tales and poetry (4)
- 20 Extended family, especially in Scotland (4)
- 21 OT book consisting of adages from various Israelite sages
- 23 Imaginary belt illustrating the progress of heavenly bodies (6)
- 24 Print-type used for emphasis, literary titles, etc (6)

- 1 Apocryphal book named after Jeremiah's secretary (6)
- Crazy driver, named after the charioteering king of Israel in 2 Kings (4)
- One of the 50 Nereids in Greek myth (6)
- Hounded (6)
- 5 Hamlet'smother(8)
- 6 Great battle of the 2nd Punic War (216 BC), the scene of



Rome's greatest defeat (6)

- 12 Where in Gilead Jacob saw God's angels before reuniting with Esau (8)
- 15 Homes with domes? (6)
- 16 Andean beast of burden (6)
- 17 One of the principal names by which God is designated in the Hebrew Scriptures (6)
- 19 One of the five who wrote down the visions of Esdras (6) 22 Valley where David fought Goliath (4)

SOLUTION

12 Mahanaim, 15 Igloos, 16 Alpaca, 17 Elohim, 19 Dabria, 2 Jehu, 3 Thetis, 4 Chased, 5 Gertrude, 6 Cannae, 21 Proverbs, 23 Zodiac, 24 Italic. Down: 1 Baruch, 11 Shem, 13 Sadducee, 14 Highgate, 18 Edda, 20 Clan, Across: 7 Lamech, 8 Heenan, 9 Augustus, 10 Tuna,