



**The Parish of  
OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE  
CHESTERFIELD and DRONFIELD**

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**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: YEAR B**  
**5<sup>th</sup> May 2024:**

**EVERY CHRISTIAN'S BATTLE PLAN**

As we come closer to Pentecost and the end of the Easter season, the Church brings us back to the Last Supper with today's Gospel passage. The moment is solemn.

Jesus is at table with his intimate collaborators, his handpicked twelve Apostles.

He knows that this is the last time they will be gathered in this way until they meet again in eternity.

Nothing is carelessly said.

Everyone on their deathbed has their final words, their legacy: these are the Lord's final words.

Jesus explains that he has loved us, and that he longs for us to remain in his love, to stay in his friendship, so that we may experience the indescribable joy that flows from true love.

And then he lays down his New Commandment,

the summary of all his teaching and of his entire life: "love one another as I have loved you." The Ten Commandments of the Old Testament were summarised by Jesus during his public life in two commandments of the New Testament:

Love God with all your heart, and love your neighbour as yourself.

But now, at the climax of his earthly mission, Jesus combines those two into a final, New Commandment: love one another as I have loved you.

This is the Christian battle plan.

At the Last Supper, Jesus was on the verge of his final battle against evil and all the forces of darkness.

And the Church he is forming through his Apostles will take that same battle to the ends of the earth and to every corner of human history and culture.

The plan is so simple and straightforward, summed up in this single, final, definitive command: love one another as I have loved you.

We are Christ's soldiers, and that is our mission.

## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Please keep in your prayers those children who have recently made their First Holy Communion as well as those who will be receiving theirs this coming Saturday as they encounter Christ in the Blessed Sacrament for the first time.

We also ask that you pray in thankfulness for our catechists and those who teach and nurture our parish in the faith.

## **PRAYING FOR OUR SICK.**

At present, there is a great number of our parish family suffering from illness, and we ask that you keep them in your prayers; that they may feel the healing power of Christ and that they may be kept from pain. Please be aware that requests to visit those who are sick and housebound must come from themselves or their families so if you are aware of anyone in our congregation who requires the Blessed Sacrament at home, please encourage them to contact the parish office. Similarly, if you go into hospital, please do let the priests know- the ward is not responsible for contacting clergy on your behalf-please take one of the leaflets at the back of church if you are any doubt as to the procedure.

## **CHESTERFIELD YOUTH**

The next meeting is today at 3pm. The theme of the meeting is, "Our Lady Queen of peace, pray for us". It is at St. Joseph's Convent 42 Newbold Road, S41 7 PL Chesterfield.

Ages:11-16 are invited. FAITH, FOOD AND FUN. For more information please contact: [chesterfielddyouth@hallam-diocese.com](mailto:chesterfielddyouth@hallam-diocese.com)

## **PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE**

There will be a rosary service of prayer for world peace at 7pm each Monday in May starting on 6<sup>th</sup> May and continuing on 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>th</sup> May. Each decade will be prayed in a different language. If you would like to take part by leading a single decade in a different language, please sign up on the sheets at the back of church. Thank you

## **PARISH LUNCH GROUP**

The next meeting of the lunch group is on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 1pm at the Olde House. For further information please contact Irene O'Donnell @07941 049 158 or on Parish Lunch Group WhatsApp. Thank you!

## **SURE PRAYER GROUP EXPOSITION, BENEDICTION AND REFRESHMENTS**

The local SURE prayer group are holding a celebration evening for graces received over the past year through communal prayer.

This group of parishioners, led by Fr Roy pray at 1pm every Thursday for various intentions. All are welcome to join this prayer and celebration evening on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May 6.30pm in Church. Refreshments will follow in the hall afterwards.

## **PARISH SOCIAL EVENING**

Many thanks to those parishioners who joined us at the "Open Mic" Parish Social last Saturday. Extra thanks to those who performed - your talent provided us all with an excellent evening!

## **CHILDRENS LITURGY**

Pease follow the Catechist as we process out from Church and know where to return to your family at the Offertory.

More details on OLQP website or Liz Stead at [olqpcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:olqpcouncil@gmail.com)

## **PARISH CENTRE BOOKINGS**

Our newly refurbished Parish Centre is available for bookings – parties, meetings, conferences with use of kitchen, Wi-Fi, screens and projectors, and sound system.

Should you wish to book the Parish Centre for an occasion please contact Vincent Payne on 07742509514

## **WARM SPACES AND LIFE LUNCHESES**

Warm spaces and Life Lunches at The Church of the Holy Spirit, Dronfield every Tuesday.

Tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits served from 10.30am - 2.00pm.

Homemade fresh soups served from 12.00noon - 1.30pm.

## **HALL TOILETS**

Please make sure that you leave these toilets as you would like to find them.

Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied.

## **BIBLE STUDY**

Please note: There will be **no** bible study class in the convent next Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May.

## **CHESTERFIELD 50+ INSPIRED GROUP: OPEN MEETING**

The Chesterfield 50+ Inspired group will be having an open meeting on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May from 10.15am – 12.30pm at Chesterfield Library. This month speakers include Paul Newsham, expert and lecturer in forensics, and Richard Ward from DCC who will be speaking on flooding issues. Refreshments will be served and a raffle drawn also.

## **TEACHING VACANCIES AT ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**

All Saints Catholic High School have various teaching vacancies including: teacher of RE and teacher of science.

Please visit school website for more details and application forms.

<https://www.allsaints.sheffield.sch.uk/vacancies/>

## **LEAD THEFT**

Recently a local 'opportunist' helped themselves to a vast amount of lead from the roof of the Annunciation Parish Centre and Church. Thanks to the new CCTV system, we have very clear footage of the individual and the police are involved.

Should you see any suspicious activity around the churches and/or parish centre, please contact the police.

**PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO public Mass this Bank Holiday Monday**

## **RETIRING COLLECTIONS**

There will be a second collection following all Masses this weekend in aid of  
CAFOD'S SUDAN EMERGENCY APPEAL

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*Next weekend* there will be a mandatory second collection following all Masses in aid of  
WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

*Parishioners wishing to pay by card can do so using the options on the contactless machines in the Annunciation Church*

**LITURGY TIMES AND INTENTIONS**

<p><b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May</b> <i>Bank Holiday</i></p>	<p align="center">7.00pm <i>Annunciation</i></p>	<p align="center"><b>No Public mass</b> <i>Rosary for World Peace</i></p>
<p><b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May</b></p>	<p align="center">9.30am Holy Spirit</p>	<p align="center">Members of The Yorkshire Brethren</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May</b></p> <p align="center"><b>Vigil Mass</b></p>	<p align="center">12.00noon Annunciation</p> <p align="center">2.10pm <i>Chesterfield Crematorium</i></p> <p align="center">6.00pm <i>Annunciation</i></p> <p align="center">6.30pm Holy Spirit</p>	<p align="center">Intentions of Chris Payne</p> <p align="center"><i>Funeral Service for Luigi Postiglione</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Confessions</i></p> <p align="center">Private Intention</p>
<p><b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May</b></p> <p><b>THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD</b> <i>Holy Day of Obligation</i></p>	<p align="center">7.30am Chesterfield Royal</p> <p align="center">12.00noon Annunciation</p> <p align="center">7.00pm Annunciation</p>	<p align="center">Private Intention</p> <p align="center">Tom Bedding</p> <p align="center">People of the Parish</p>
<p><b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May</b></p>	<p align="center">12.00noon Annunciation</p>	<p align="center">For safe recovery (PS)</p>
<p><b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May</b></p> <p align="center">Vigil Mass</p>	<p align="center">10.00am Annunciation</p> <p align="center">4.30pm <i>Holy Spirit</i></p> <p align="center">5.00pm Holy Spirit</p>	<p align="center">First Holy Communion Mass</p> <p align="center"><i>Rosary and Confessions</i></p> <p align="center">Private Intention</p>
<p><b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May</b></p> <p><b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: YEAR B</b></p>	<p align="center">8.30am Annunciation</p> <p align="center">10.00am Annunciation</p> <p align="center">3.00pm Annunciation</p> <p align="center">5.00pm Annunciation</p>	<p align="center">Maria and Antonio Rosato</p> <p align="center">Patrick Carrabin</p> <p align="center">Mass in Polish</p> <p align="center">The People of the Parish</p>