

The Parish of
OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE
CHESTERFIELD and DRONFIELD

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26th Sunday in Ordinary time YEAR A
1st October 2023

REAL FAITH REQUIRES REAL ACTION

It is common in today's world to find Catholics who openly disagree with core Catholic teaching.

We all know people who say that they are Catholic,
but who don't come to Mass on Sunday

- they only come on Christmas and Easter, if they come at all.

We all have heard or read about politicians who say that they are ardent and practicing Catholics, but who publicly support laws that go directly against some of the most basic tenets of morality as taught by the Catholic Church.

And if we are honest with ourselves, we even recognise in our own lives this same tendency.

We call ourselves practicing Catholics,
and yet we spend more time working on our favourite hobbies than on our prayer life,
and we spend more time becoming an expert in our profession than in our faith,
and we tolerate in our own lives hidden habits of selfishness and sin
while we criticise other people for their more visible faults.

If we think about it a little bit, we see very clearly that this contradiction between what we believe and how we live is not a good thing.

It is like the second son in today's parable.

He impressed his father with fancy words and a good show of healthy obedience, but underneath the surface he was still living for his own self-centred gratification, not for the greater good of his mission in the Father's kingdom.

When we fall into that contradiction,
it is no wonder that we don't grow in our experience of Christ's love and grace,
and it is no wonder that we don't grow in wisdom, interior peace,
and the deep Christian joy that we thirst for.

Faith, if it's real, makes a real impact on our lives.

When it doesn't, our spiritual growth is stunted.

OCTOBER ROSARY

There will be an illustrated Rosary service at the Annunciation Church at 7pm each Monday in October commencing 2nd October and continuing 9th, 16th, 23rd and concluding on Monday 30th October. Participants, who wish, may place their prayer intentions in a basket as they arrive. This will be placed on the altar and intentions remembered in our Rosary prayer.

Everyone welcome, especially young people who are new to the Rosary.

For further information please contact Cath on 01246 203932

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REGISTRATION

The second registration for First Holy Communion will take place after each Mass this weekend in the Annunciation Parish Centre

ANSWER MACHINE PROBLEMS

The Parish Answering machine is causing difficulties and some messages have not shown on the system until hours after they were left...if at all! Please bear this in mind if you are calling and wish to leave a message.

Your Collection Offering

Giving in Cash?

**Could you give that amount with your Debit Card using the Contactless machines at the Back of Annunciation Church?
Even better by weekly or monthly Standing Order?**

Please be aware that if you are eligible for Gift-Aid, you only need to enter your details in the contactless terminals once, thereafter they will be remembered and applied every time you donate using the same card.

Similarly, if you're in a rush, you can enter your Gift-Aid details in the terminals or via the parish website at any time and any previous donations will have the Gift-Aid applied.

PARISH JUMBLE SALE

The next parish jumble sale will be held on **Saturday 14th October** after which, all subsequent jumble sales will take place on the first Saturday of the month.

If you have any items you wish to donate please contact Chris Payne directly on 229517

Please Note: Do not leave items in the stairwell of the parish centre as they pose a hazard.

PARISH CENTRE MANAGER

The Parish Priest and Finance Committee seek to appoint a Manager to oversee the bookings, activities, and maintenance of the newly-refurbished Parish Centre. (yes, it is nearing its completion). The position is 10 hours per week which is flexible as the role requires. For a full job description please contact the Parish Office and to apply please send a CV with a cover letter to the Parish Office

HALL TOILETS

We kindly ask that any persons using the facilities treat them with the same respect you would your own.

Children should be accompanied by an adult for safety reasons

THE LIGHT PROJECT RECOVERY FROM DOMESTIC ABUSE

Caritas Hallam, dedicated to promoting well-being and good mental health, offers free counselling and support to those who have experienced Domestic Abuse including:

Individual Counselling (available online and in person).

Women's Well-being Programme: covering such issues as self-esteem & understanding the effects of stress.

Freedom Programme: for those who have experienced domestic abuse, (past or present). All sessions will be delivered in an environment that is safe, caring and relaxed, at St Vincent's Mission Hub, from Tuesday, 10 October at 1.30pm. For more information, please contact Janet on 07927657462 or jkent@hallam-diocese.com

PARISH RETREAT AT ST BEDE'S CHURCH, ROTHERHAM

Throughout the year the Church encourages us to try to set aside time to reflect and pray, or simply to pause from our normal everyday routines. For many, this might include going away on a retreat; but this can be a big step for people and may be costly or just not practical. Therefore, St Bede's Church will be holding an accessible retreat on 6th/7th October, where all are invited, along with their friends, family and others, to attend the whole retreat or simply a part of it, by dropping into church whenever they can over the two days.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office (Our Lady Queen of Peace)

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

There is a bible study group at St Joseph's Convent every Thursday morning at 10.30am. All are welcome.

RETREAT FOR YOUNG WOMEN. THE CALL TO HOLINESS.

21-22ND OCTOBER 2023

The Daughters of Divine Charity will be holding a retreat for young women entitled "The Call to Holiness" at St Joseph's Convent, Newbold road.

The retreat starts at 9.30am on Saturday and finishes at 4.00pm on Sunday.

If you would like any further information please contact Sr Monika on matylda0109@gmail.com or Telephone 01246 230321

CHILDREN LITURGY

Children's Liturgy will take place in the Parish Centre during 10 am Mass for all primary school children (and younger with an adult) every Sunday from 8th October until 17th December.

Just follow the Catechist as we process out from Church and know where to return to your family at the Offertory. More details from Liz Stead 01246 230319

PARISH LUNCH GROUP

The next meeting of the lunch group is on Tuesday 10th October. Please bring your Christmas lunch menu choices with you. We meet at 1pm at the Olde House. Everybody welcome. For further information or to confirm attendance please contact Irene O'Donnell @07941 049 158 or on Parish Lunch Group WhatsApp. See you there.

CAR PARKING PERMITS FOR ANNUNCIATION CHURCH

Permits for the carpark at Annunciation church (for use by parishioners and hall patrons) are available on request from the parish office.

LITURGY TIMES AND INTENTIONS

<p style="text-align: center;">Monday 2nd October</p> <p>Holy Guardian Angels</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">12.00noon Annunciation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Nunziata Rosella</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday 3rd October</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">9.30 Holy Spirit</p> <p style="text-align: center;">12.00noon Annunciation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Jean Railton</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bernadette McLintock</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday 4th October</p> <p>St Francis of Assisi</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>7.30am</i> <i>Royal Hospital</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">12.00am Annunciation</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>6.00pm – Finish</i> <i>Annunciation</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Private Intention</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Suzannah Koniarska</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Confessions</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 5th October</p> <p>St Faustina Kowalska</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">12.00noon Annunciation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Katie McMohan</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Friday 6th October</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">12.00noon Annunciation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Walter Shirley</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 7th October</p> <p>Our Lady of the Rosary</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VIGIL MASS</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">11.00am Convent</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>4.30pm</i> <i>Holy Spirit</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">5.00pm Holy Spirit</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Intentions of Layla Francis Marie Booth</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Confessions</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Private Intention</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 8th October</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year A</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">8.30am Annunciation</p> <p style="text-align: center;">10.00am Annunciation</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>3.00pm</i> <i>Annunciation</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">5.00pm Annunciation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Forgotten Souls</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The People of the Parish</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Polish Mass</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thanksgiving for Fr Christopher Ainslie</p>