

### Holy Mass Time

#### 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation; TBA

**Sat 31st Aug (PC)** 5:00pm - Jason Gregory (A)

**(Fr.Terry) Sun 1st Sept (KE)** 8:00am - Agnes & Eileen Mulheron (NDL)

(StM) 9:30am - Jozef & Annie Wojcik (NDL)

(Pen) 11:00am - People of the Parish

**Tue. 3rd Sept** - St Gregory the Great, Feast

**(KE)** 8:00am - Yorkshire Brethren

(StM.) 9:30am - Jean Mary Goddard (LD)

**Wed. 4th Sept** - Weekday/St Cuthbert

(CC) 9:30am - Decd of Condon & Gannon families (A)

**Thur 5th Sept** - Weekday/St Teresa of Calcutta

(PC) 9:25am Morning Prayer 9:45am - People of the Parish

**Fri. 6th Sept** - Weekday

(PC) 9:25am Morning Prayer 9:45am - No Mass

10:30am OCDS Day of Prayer; Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Doncaster

#### 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Education Sunday

Sacrament of Reconciliation - TBA

**(Fr Terry) Sat 7th (PC)** 5:00pm - Holy Father's Intentions

**(Fr Terry) Sun 8th Sept (KE)** 8:00am - Sisters' Intentions

(StM) 9:30am - James Maurice Kelly (A)

(Deep) 6:30pm - People of the Parish

Appendix: K.E. - Kirk Edge Carmel; St.M. - St Mary's Church; PC - St Thomas More; Pen - St Mary's Penistone; Deep - St Anne, Deepcar; L.D. - Lately Dead; A - Anniversary; CC - Convent Chapel; RH - Rampton Hospital; NDL - November Dead List

#### September 2019: Devotion: The Seven Sorrows of Mary

**The Holy Father's Worldwide Prayer:** That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

#### Parish Mass Book: 22nd Sunday (C) p130

Preface for Sunday & Eucharistic Prayer III

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### **POPE'S GENERAL AUDIENCE: On the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 5: 12,15-16)**

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning! The ecclesial community described in the Acts if the Apostles lives of such richness, which the Lord puts at its disposition — the Lord is generous! —, that it experiences numerical growth and a great ferment, despite outside attacks. To show us this vitality, Luke points out to us also significant places, such as Solomon's Portico (Cf. Acts 5:12), meeting point for believers. The Portico (stoa) is an open gallery that acts as a shelter, but also as a place of meeting and of witness. It's a place where Jesus went during the great feasts (Cf. John 10:23); where the healed lame man walks next to Peter and John and where Peter evangelizes the people, explaining that faith in Jesus' name made that healing possible (Cf. Acts 3:11). Therefore, this Portico is a place where the Christ event is communicated through the word, which moves hearts and which can also touch and heal bodies. In fact, Luke insists on the signs and prodigies that accompany the Apostles' word and on the special care of the sick to which they dedicate themselves. In Chapter 5 of the Acts, the nascent Church shows herself as a "field hospital," which receives the weakest people, namely, the sick. To their eyes, as to the eyes of Christians of all times, the sick are the privileged recipients of the happy proclamation of the Kingdom; they are brothers in whom Christ is present in a particular way, to let themselves be sought and found by all of us (Cf. Matthew 25:36.40). The sick are the privileged of the Church, of the priestly heart, of all the faithful. They are not to be rejected; on the contrary, they are to be taken care of and looked after. They are the object of the Christian concern. Among the Apostles, Peter emerges, who has pre-eminence in the apostolic group given his primacy (Cf. Matthew 16:18) and the mission received from the Risen One (Cf. John 21:15-17). It is he who opens the way for the preaching of the kerygma on the day of Pentecost (Cf. Acts 2:14-41) and who at the Council of Jerusalem, carries out a directive function (Cf. Acts 15).

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## St. Thomas More's Parish Events

**Parish Meeting** - Tuesday 17th September 7:30pm

**S.V.P.** - Every Monday at 6:40pm in the Weekday Chapel. All welcome.

**Toilet Rolls for St Wilfrid's** - 2nd weekend of the month

**Food Bank** - 4th weekend of the month

**Football Pontoon** - Late entries can be handed in.

**Last Week Collections** - £

**Diary dates** - Parish Fish and Chip supper and quiz night - Saturday 21st September (Friday 20th was unavailable) tickets £5;

Parish Christmas Fayre - Sunday 1st December;

Parish night to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the St Thomas More Centre - Saturday 14th December.

**'Catholic Basics about the Bible'** - Next year, 2020, has been named by Pope Francis as a Year of the Scriptures. To help us prepare for this Deacon Bill is hosting four weeks of introduction and exploration with teaching and discussion. Topics include; who wrote the bible; how to go about reading it; how does it all fit together; what are its main themes; what do we mean by so it make sense; how to make sense of the Bible what do we mean by revelation; using scripture passages to pray. Four Mondays starting Monday 7th October. Choose between St Thomas More, Parson Cross 2 - 3pm or at St Mary's High Green 7.30 - 8.30pm.

## St. Mary's Parish Events

**Parish Forum** - Next one Tuesday 3rd September - 7:30pm.

**The Basics of Catholic Faith** - This is a series of DVDs exploring the Catholic Faith. Contact Deacon Bill (see newsletter)

**S.V.P.** - Next meetings: Wed. 4th & Tues 17th Sept. in the convent at 7:15pm.

**The next Luncheon Club** - is on Monday 9th Sept 2019. Orders must be placed by 10.00am on Friday 6th Sept 2019. The list is at the back of church or contact Maria on Email smch.1886@yahoo.co.uk or 07943373492

**Basics of the Catholic Faith** - Mondays 7.30 - 8.30pm at High Green:

This is a series of DVDs and talks open to anyone but is especially for non Catholic parents of children at our school, any adults wanting to find out more about Catholicism and any Catholic who feels their understanding of the faith is a bit rusty. Topics covered include - The God who is Father; God made human who gives us his life; What and where is God's Holy Spirit; ways of praying; what are the sacraments; exploring each Sacrament; exploring the Mass; what is the Catholic Church; living as a Catholic. Starting Monday 16th September at St Mary's High Green. Each school week until Easter. More information from Deacon Bill (contacts at top of this newsletter) or just turn up.

**Last Week Collections** - £ 370.17

**Can you spare time to visit and sit with an isolated older person in High Green?** Sheffield Social Services are seeking volunteers willing to be DBS-checked and selected to visit isolated people in their homes. GPs refer them them patients who are unable to get out and suffering serious loneliness. The paid social workers are fully occupied with more serious matters. All that is needed is someone to visit and chat. This is not a religious need but simple human company. Can you help? Deacon Bill has more details.

## Other Notices

**Hospital Admissions** - If you would like to receive Holy Communion while in hospital phone 2714999 (non-emergency chaplaincy ansaphone) and state that this is a request for Holy Communion for a Catholic patient,(give your name, the site & ward).

**Annual Lourdes Ball** - Friday 4th October 2019; Main fund-raising event for the Diocesan Lourdes Fund. Black-tie Ball at Aston Hall Hotel, Aston, Sheffield S26 2EE (J31 M1). Tickets £40 per person. 7pm for 7.30pm. Telephone Mandy Drown 07894 340823

**St Wilfrid's Centre** - The centre is celebration 21 years of their annual Bishop's Walk. Over the years our parish has helped raise over £200,000. Please support Bishop Ralph and Bishop John and the team on Saturday 21st September. Sponsor Forms are at the back of church and your Gift Aid help is appreciated.

**Donations for Parson Cross Foodbank** - The need for this foodbank has greatly increased recently. Please consider buying extra items for them. The box in the porch corner beside the papers table is there every week to receive your gifts. Dry foods and tins only please. Especially welcome is small packets of tea or coffee and fruit cordial-type drinks. The foodbanks tend to receive lots of pasta but not a lot to mix in for a meal. All you give goes out to people unable to cope on very little money.

**Please pray for the sick of both parishes.** We also remember; Alan Lindley, Veronica Davies, Sheila Hughes, Felicity Gilligan, Michael Pardon, Peter Auchterlounie, Kevin Adcock, Jean Goddard, Mary Wynne who died recently and all whose anniversaries are at this time.

**2nd Collections:** 7/8th Sept - Catholic Education Service

14/15th Sept - Home Mission Sunday

19/20th Oct - Mission Sunday Collection (MISSIO)