



20th May 2018

**Collections for w/e 13<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

Loose Plates & Envelopes £1,257.00  
Standing Orders - £ 414.00  
**Total - £1,671 .00**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> collection £446.00**

**St Ralph Sherwin Catholic Multi-Academy Trust** (Derby/Derbyshire) are seeking to appoint a Lead Lay Chaplain. Further details are available from: <http://dioceseofnottingham.uk/education/recruitment/leadership-recruitment-guidance>  
Closing date 4th June 2018.

**First Holy Communion** planning meeting for St Mary's parents on Thursday, 24th May at St Mary's School at 7.00pm.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** preparation continues on Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May in St Mary's Parish Centre 7.00pm to 8.30pm.

**Sacrament of the Sick**- Thank you to St. Mary's Caring Group and young helpers from the Confirmation programme for making last Sunday's event a beautiful success. Parishioners normally receiving communion at home were able to gather as a community to receive spiritual support and to meet friends in the parish centre afterwards.

**Arusha Project – Climbing Kilimanjaro** - The group climbing Kilimanjaro this year are organising an 'It's a Knockout Event' on 30<sup>th</sup> June at St Benedict's School. This is a team event where you do several challenges involving inflatables and potentially a bit of water! It will be £30 per person over 16 and teams of up to 10. Website for further details: [www.we-are-a-knockout.co.uk](http://www.we-are-a-knockout.co.uk) or the posters at the back of church. On the same day we are hoping to have a bit of a summer fete and wondered if anyone had any contacts for stalls e.g. ice cream stalls, children's games or if anyone would be kind enough to run a stall on the day. Please email Katherine Farrington on [kiliclimb18@gmail.com](mailto:kiliclimb18@gmail.com) to enter a team or with any offers of help.

**The Pax Christi AGM 2018** will be held on Saturday 2nd June 2018 at Our Lady & St. Patrick's in the Meadows, Nottingham. All are welcome. <http://paxchristi.org.uk/>

**2018 Padley Pilgrimage Walk** - Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> July to Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> July. If you would like to join for all or part of the walk please contact Vince Cundy 07951 798374 email [vincecundy@hotmail.com](mailto:vincecundy@hotmail.com).

**Bible Lights Group**- meets on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> May 9.45am-11:15am in Room 1 at St Mary's Parish Centre. Newcomers are welcome as we continue our relaxed and informal study on St Peter: Contact Fran Wickes Tel: 07951 143648 or email: [fran@brightshark.co.uk](mailto:fran@brightshark.co.uk)

**Message from Rev. Simon Cartwright of Derby Cathedral** - You may be aware that internationally, Christians from every part of the Church are gathering between Ascension Day and Pentecost to pray for Evangelism in an event called, "The Kingdom Come".

[www.thykingdomcome.global](http://www.thykingdomcome.global). This initiative that was begun by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York and has now been taken up by Christians all across the world. This year it falls from 10<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> May. We are having a Beacon event on the Day of Pentecost, 20<sup>th</sup> May, at Derby Cathedral at 6.00pm to worship together and to pray as one Church for Evangelism in our City. This is an invitation to all Christians of every denomination to come along to this event.

**Music Festival Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> June 2018** - Festival fever returns to St Barnabas' Cathedral with our 2018 Music Festival, inspired by the centenaries of the end of the First World War and the passing of the 1918 Representation of the People Act, which gave women over the age of 30 the right to vote. For further details please refer to the posters on the noticeboards.

We are very proud to offer you the opportunity of owning a copy of **"GOOD NEWS FOR THE EAST MIDLANDS"**, an account of the background to, and the story of, the Diocese of Nottingham." Canon Anthony Dolan, a retired priest and former archivist of our diocese, has, together with many other contributors, compiled this book which contains more than 360 pages of information and photographs about our parishes, religious communities, schools, pilgrimage sites and martyrs. A limited number of copies of the book are available to purchase in your parish at a reduced price of £16, and extra copies can be ordered by emailing or contacting the Retired Priests Appeal Office 0115 888 2644. [srfpappeal@nrcdt.org.uk](mailto:srfpappeal@nrcdt.org.uk). You can also order from the website [www.retiredpriestsappeal.com](http://www.retiredpriestsappeal.com).

The Derby Derwent Choir are holding a Summer Concert in St. Mary's Church – on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 7.00pm – joining them will be the Derby Deanery Youth Choir. Tickets £8. Light refreshments will be served in St. Mary's Parish Hall. All proceeds will be going to the Arusha Project.

**Mother's Prayer Group**, we would like to start a Mother's Prayer Group, if this is something you are interested in, please note your interest to, Amanda Murjan 07772 922 714.

**Nottingham Diocese – Night of Light**, as part of the Diocesan preparation for the Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool later this year, we will be hosting 'Night of Light' events around the Diocese. We have already held similar events in St Barnabas Cathedral in Nottingham and St Hugh of Lincoln in April.

This will be the first time this sort of event will be held in the City of Derby, the idea is a simple one, a time of adoration with music, with the doors of this Church open and people going out to invite passers-by to come in and light a candle. At the recent event in Lincoln one lady tweeted about how pleased she was to be invited in to the Church. Details about the event in St Mary's are as follows:

**Date: Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> July Mass: 6.00pm Adoration and evangelisation: 7.00pm – 10.00pm (ending with Benediction).**

The Briars will be sending some of their team to help with music and going out to invite people in, but it would be great if people from the parishes in Derby and the University could help with this as well. It is also good to have some people in the Church praying during the night. Fr Neil Peoples will be coming to St Mary's on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June to have a meeting in the Hall at 7.00pm to answer any questions that people may have.

**Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July, St Mary's Parish Hall**- Sean Ryan from Caritas Salford will be giving a presentation about his parish's involvement in the Community Sponsorship initiative, which brings a family of Syrian refugees currently living in a refugee camp to settle in the UK under the Government scheme. We are hoping to support a similar initiative for Derby. All welcome. For further information, email Lis Martin [lisjmartin@aol.com](mailto:lisjmartin@aol.com)

**Gift of the Spirit prayer meeting**- You are all warmly invited to the Gift of the Spirit prayer meeting on Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> June at Holy Family 7.30pm-8.30pm. We hope to provide opportunities for people to experience different forms of prayers. If you need a lift to and from the meetings, please contact, 01332 552141.

**Cleaners**- At St. Mary's we are very fortunate to have a dedicated team of Cleaners who tend to the Church on a weekly basis. It would be good to have some more willing hands to assist with this necessary task. If you could spare some time to be a member, Joyce Barke would be very pleased to hear from you on 01332 559037.

**General Data Protection Regulation**-The law is changing on, Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> May and we want to make sure that you agree to continue or be added onto the Holy Family and St Mary's Parish Register. If so, please fill in a consent form, located back of the church and return to St Mary's Rectory.

**With every blessing for the coming week from Canon Geoffrey & Fr. Tim**

Please present items for the newsletter by Wednesday 5pm for the following Sunday