



Collections for w/e 6th January 2019

Loose Plates & Envelopes - £1,143.00
Standing Orders - £ 414.00
Total - £1,557.00

Family Christingle service at Holy Family Church on **Saturday 12th January** at 2pm. All welcome.

S.P.U.C White Flower Appeal

Society of the Protection of the Unborn Children – Key Objectives for 2019

- 1.0 Stopping 'home' abortions and the dangers they pose to women
 - 2.0 Taking the pro-life message direct to young people at schools, colleges and universities
 - 3.0 Blocking moves to decriminalise abortion
 - 4.0 Providing practical pro-life support
- If you wish to support the work being done by S.P.U.C, please give to the retiring collection this weekend.

St Ralph Sherwin Church, Swarkestone Road, Chellaston, Derby DE73 5UA – will be closing on Friday **11th January**. There will be a coffee morning for, parishioners ex parishioners and friends old and new. Come along and share your memories with friends.

Modern Day Slavery in the UK: A talk by the Medaille Trust on **Wednesday 16th January** at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Centre, Mickleover at 7.30pm. The talk will address what is Modern Day Slavery in 21st Century Britain, the role of the safe house and what individuals/communities can do to prevent slavery. The Medaille Trust was established by Roman Catholic religious orders to help women, men and dependent children who are victims of modern slavery in the UK, enabling them to regain their dignity and self-worth. They do this by providing safe housing and offering opportunities for physical and psychological healing and rehabilitation. For more information about the Medaille Trust please visit: www.medaille-trust.org.uk

First Holy Communion, a meeting for parents will take place on **Thursday 17th January 7pm to 8.30pm** at St Mary's School, Broadway.

Retired Group Programme - St. Mary's Parish Centre 2pm
23rd January - Lunch at Mickleover Golf Club. For information contact Ken Barnes on 01332 557042.

History Jar Classes on **Tuesday 22nd January** for four weeks. 10am to 12noon, St Mary's Parish Centre. Subject- explore Charles I - Road to Tyranny (1624-29). Contact Julia Hickey to make a payable booking, via phone 07745 385178 or email thehistoryjar@gmail.com

Jesus youth – Jesus Youth invites all 18-35 for a small time of prayer and fellowship after Holy Mass at 6:30pm on every 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month in the Parish hall. Please contact Vivish Varghese (07475 897765) or Joel Sabu on 07495 299 Joel Sabu (07495299637) for more details www.jesuyouth.co.uk

Marriage Preparation programme for couples intending to marry in 2019 Tuesdays **29th January, 5th and 12th February 7.30 - 9pm** at St Mary's Parish Centre. Plus one on either, Saturday 2nd March or Saturday 6th April 10am - 3pm. Couples who have already booked their weddings will be automatically registered for the programme. If you are considering getting married in 2019 please contact Fr Tim or Fran Wickes.

Derby Deanery Refugee Community Sponsorship update:

The group now has representatives in 5 parishes across the Deanery. If you want to know more about the project, or to get involved and you live in one of these parishes, please contact one of us. If your parish doesn't yet have a representative, why not offer to fill the gap? Contact Lis Martin 01332 552627 (lis martin@aol.com) or one of the other parish reps for more information.

RCIA - Interested in becoming a Catholic or learning more about the faith? Have you been away from the Church for a while and would like to refresh your understanding? You are welcome to attend our RCIA/Journey in the Faith programme on Monday evenings 7-8.30pm. For more information contact our priests or Fran Wickes email fran@brightspark.co.uk

Street Closure mid-January through to the end of February 2019:

Due to the closure of Edward Street access to our church may be difficult. Please allow extra time when coming to church. Access via Belper Road, North Parade via Chester Green, Sowter Road, Duke Street, Handyside street. This work is been carried out by Severn Trent, the contact person is Helen Purdy, 0770 3718436

Vacancy: The Sisters of Mercy, St. Philomena's Highfields, Derby and Beechwood Convent require a part time cook. Sundays/St. Philomena's and Thursday & Friday at Beechwood. For more information please call Sister Philippa 01332 550122.

2019 Christmas Fayre Message and Request- Happy New Year everyone. I know I have already made a plea for items needed for our Christmas Fayre 2019. I am looking for a 6ft-7ft Christmas tree. Tree decorations of any kind, including tree lights, any Christmas decorations which you no longer need and would like to donate. Also a reminder of my previous plea for unwanted gifts, gifts bags, small toys, games, bottles etc. We intend to have a post-Christmas fayre meeting in the near future. We would like to recruit new helpers of which we have a shortage. If you are interested in joining our committee you will be more than welcome. Please contact Enza Dawson either by Phone 07973512560 or email enzadawson@yahoo.co.uk, same contact for any donations you may have which can be collected if necessary. Thanking you in anticipation for your Support. Enza

Richard Horton(Casey) RIP, Funeral arrangements are as follows: Reception into Church Thursday 17th January at 19:00 and Funeral Mass Friday 18th January at 13:00

Christmas Quiz Sheets, £1 per entry, available at the back of the church. Please post entries to arrive on or before **24th January 2019**, to Bob Pendlebury, 212 Burley Lane, Quarndon, DE22 5JS. One entry from those with the most correct answers will be drawn after 9pm on the closing date and will win a cash prize of £50. All remaining donations will go to St Mary's Maintenance Fund. *Registered Charity No 1134449 Nottingham Roman Catholic Diocesan Trustees.*

Brexit and the Catholic Church: As you will be aware, Brexit is causing uncertainty and concern to many EU citizens living in the UK. Both clergy and laity alike share this uncertainty and concern. Apart from those who are uncertain about their future, others are inevitably in a state of ignorance and unaware that Brexit will affect their immigration status. In March 2019, the Government is due to launch a Settlement Scheme. All EU citizens living in the UK will be required to make an application if they wish to remain here after Brexit. However, Irish citizens will not be required to apply as their rights are separately protected. With such a diverse diocese this shall affect many of our parishioners, priests and religious sisters. Please pray for them all during this time of uncertainty. The Bishops conference has made representations on these issues to ministers and through the Home Office working groups set up to discuss the Settlement Scheme. We will continue to do so as it is implemented. Finally we urge the whole Catholic community to take up Pope Francis' call to "welcome, promote and protect our brothers and sisters who have made their homes here with us".

Project Arusha-Jemimah Tumelty, Danae Guerro, Jacob McCalla and Danny Eames landed in Arusha earlier this week. They will spend around ten weeks teaching in the schools associated with the project. We are sure that they will learn a lot from the experience and will be keen to share it with you all in April when then return. This week Canon Geoffrey has collected his belongings from the presbytery in readiness for the arrival of Fr Greg Tobin as Parish Priest. There is a sadness in saying farewell to Canon Geoffrey. We offer him our thanks for his time with us. We salute his bravery in taking a really tough decision to stand down. Our prayers are that he will return to full health as soon as possible and be able to resume his ministry again. Fr Tobin is due to arrive in the week beginning 21st January and we look forward to welcoming him.

Baptism Preparation Programme for parents of babies and young children. Wednesdays 13th, 20th, 27th March, 3rd and 10th April. 7.30pm to 9pm at St Mary's Parish Centre. To book your place please contact Fran Wickes - fran@brightshark.co.uk



If you hear the fire alarm leave by the nearest exit following the instructions of the fire marshals. The Assembly Point is in the car park

With every blessing for the coming week from Fr. Tim

Please present items for the newsletter by Wednesday 2.30pm for the following Sunday