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WEEKLY BULLETIN 26th SEPTEMBER – 2nd OCTOBER 2021

TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY OF YEAR B

Sunday, 26th September	St Patrick's, Forest Town	11.00 am Mass	<i>Jim Levy RIP</i>
Tuesday, 28th September	St Patrick's School	2.15 pm Mass	
Sunday, 2nd October	St Patrick's, Forest Town	11.00 am Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>

ROTAS

Sunday, 26th September	Mass	Stewards: Dilys & Angela Counters: Andrew & Angela	Reader: Karen
Sunday, 2nd October	Mass	Stewards: Cory & Linda Counters: Ken & Rosie	Reader: Mary Cleaning: Rosie & Sheila

OTHER LOCAL MASSES FROM 4th/5th SEPTEMBER

Saturday	St Joseph, Ollerton 5.00 pm	St Joseph, Shirebrook 5.00 pm	St Philip Neri 6.00 pm
Sunday	St Teresa's, Warsop 9.00 am	St Philip Neri 9.00 am, 11.00 am and 5.00 pm	

BOOKINGS WILL NO LONGER BE REQUIRED FOR MASS. HOWEVER, IN THE INTERESTS OF HEALTH AND SAFETY, PARISHIONERS ATTENDING MASS ARE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED TO CONTINUE WEARING FACE MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING OF AT LEAST ONE METRE SHOULD BE OBSERVED.

LIVE MASS STREAMS THIS WEEK: Please refer to the Diocesan website for details of live-streamed Masses. Bishop Patrick's channel on YouTube also has details. See also www.mass-online.org or www.churchservices.tv and www.vaticannews.va for other live-streamed services and messages from Pope Francis.

Your Prayers are requested for: Mary S; Stephanie W; Garry; Malcolm S; Jay; Liz T (Anne's niece); Jackson L (in thanksgiving for a recovery from his operation); Martin M; Rosemary S; Tina T; Mary C, KP (Karen's brother-in-law), Joseph D, Noel De L; Danny De L; Dianna B, Mary M, Theresa D; Ron and Jean M; Fr John C, Claire D, Richard G-O and Mrs C. Casey . All those suffering from the coronavirus and those working in the NHS or Care Services; those working in essential services to keep our country functioning. *Please let Fr John know of anyone who would like to be remembered in our prayers.*

Prayer for the Year of Saint Joseph: Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

FOOD BANK UPDATE: Thank you for your continued generosity to the Food Bank. Please leave any items in the box in the church porch or if you wish to donate directly go to the Food Bank at the Stable Centre, 12, Church Street, Mansfield Woodhouse NG19 8AH

WEEKDAY MASSES: Mass will be celebrated in St Patrick's School at **2.15 pm on Tuesdays** in term time and a warm invitation is extended to all parishioners who would like to attend. In school holidays, Mass will be at 9.15 am on Wednesdays.

FAITH IN FAMILY BOXES are now due for collection. Please leave in the Church porch or contact Jackie Massey on 01623 792928.

BIBLE TIMELINE COURSE: This course is running again from **7.00 pm on 29th September** and consists of 8 on-line sessions. To register, please go to <https://comeandsee.org/register-bible>

VOLUNTEERS: As we appear to be getting back to normal and having more people at Mass, we will be revising the arrangements for various jobs within the parish (eg cleaning, counting, Eucharistic Ministers, Readers and Children's Liturgy). We are also looking for volunteers to join the Parish Council. Anyone who would like to help is asked to contact Ken Daly on patrickftmass@gmail.com so that we can prepare a rota. The more volunteers, the easier the burden.

PRAYER FOR THE SEASON OF CREATION (1st September – 4th October)

Creator of All, We are grateful that from your communion of love you created our planet to be a home for all. By your Holy Wisdom you made the Earth to bring forth a diversity of living beings that filled the soil, water and air. Each part of creation praises you in their being, and cares for one another from our place in the web of life.

With the Psalmist, we sing your praise that in your house "even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young." We remember that you call human beings to keep your garden in ways that honour the dignity of each creature and conserve their place in the abundance of life on Earth.

But we know that our will to power pushes the planet beyond her limits. Our consumption is out of harmony and rhythm with Earth's capacity to heal herself. Habitats are left barren or lost. Species are lost and systems fail. Where reefs and burrows, mountaintops and ocean deeps once teemed with life and relationships, wet and dry deserts lie empty, as if uncreated. Human families are displaced by insecurity and conflict, migrating in search of peace. Animals flee fires, deforestation and famine, wandering in search of a new place to find a home to lay their young and live.

In this Season of Creation, we pray that the breath of your creative Word would move our hearts, as in the waters of our birth and baptism. Give us faith to follow Christ to our just place in the beloved community. Enlighten us with the grace to respond to your covenant and call to care for our common home. In our tilling and keeping, gladden our hearts to know that we participate with your Holy Spirit to renew the face of your Earth, and safeguard a home for all.

In the name of the One who came to proclaim good news to all creation, Jesus Christ. Amen.

FIRST COMMUNION: We are hoping that children who should have celebrated their First Holy Communion earlier this year will be able to do so on Saturday, 4th December. Preparation sessions will be held on 10th and 31st October and 21st and 28th November after 11.00 am Mass. Further details from Mrs Smedley at St Patrick's School.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY is on Friday, 1st October and envelopes are available today for parishioners to take and return next weekend with their donation. There will be a short presentation from St Patrick's School pupils at Mass on 3rd October and pupils will collect envelopes and donations as people leave the church.

SCHOOL NEWS: Details of schools' activities are available on their respective websites and also at www.ololcatholicmat.co.uk from which you can access the **Be Inspirational** website for our younger parishioners.

BINGO IS BACK: Cory and Debbie are re-introducing Bingo Sessions on a Thursday at 7.00 pm in the Parish Hall. Raffle and Scratchcard prizes and refreshments. Proceeds to the Emily Harris Foundation. All welcome.

EMILY HARRIS FOUNDATION: Cory offers his sincere thanks to everyone who supported this Raffle in aid of the Emily Harris Foundation. He sold 1,075 tickets which is a great effort and after so many delays because of the pandemic, it was lovely to have a large gathering in the hall for the draw.

PARISH FINANCES: Sunday, 19th September Envelopes £193.80 Loose Plate £108.50 **Total £302.30**
Home Mission Sunday £60.00 Development Fund £15.00

Thank you for your generosity

FR PAUL'S INDUCTION AT CHRIST THE KING: Fr Paul is being inducted into his new parish on **Monday 18th October** at 6.00 pm and has issued an invitation to any parishioner who would like to join him for that occasion. Please confirm your attendance with Fr Paul if you have his contact details or on ctkchurch@sky.com or 01773 833174