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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: Week Commencing 6th August 2017

The Transfiguration of the Lord.

Eighteenth Week in Ordinary Time: 6th – 12th August 2017 (Weekday Cycle Year 1 / Psalter Week 2)

<u>Saturday 5th August: Weekday Feria</u>	<i>PARISH FINANCES</i>															
10:00 am: Mass; Special Intention	29 th /30 th July 2017															
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<u>Tuesday 8th August: St Dominic, Priest (memoria)</u>	<i>Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the Parish.</i>															
12:30 pm: Confessions																
1:00 pm: Mass; Mgr Patrick McAleenan RIP (Deceased Clergy Assoc.)																
<u>Wednesday 9th August: St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr, Patron of Europe (Feast)</u>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Your Prayers are requested for those who are sick:</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Catherine Adlington, Isobel Alana Barnes, Meg Bailey, Marica Borsos, Margaret Brown, Pat Constable, Maureen Doherty, David Fox, Jim & Margaret Dougan, Fr Joseph O' Hanlon, Ann Harrison, Bernadette Retallick, Evelyn Venning, John Webster and Louise Whitham.</p>															
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Items for the newsletter can be given to Fr Christopher or e – mailed to frcathomas@live.com by Thursday of each week for inclusion in the next issue.

ROTAS:	5.30 pm	9.00 am
Welcomers:		D Wilson & M Roy
Next Week:		M Cookson & S Neely
Readers:	P Hubberstey	N Wilson
Next Week:	M Cummins	S Yarwood
Offertory:	M & G Sawicki	M Castor & Volunteer
Next Week:	M & A Simmons	J Powell & M Calladine
Coffee:	N Burrows & M Walton	Next Week: M Calladine & L Whitham
Cashiers:	A Simmons	Next Week: J Brennan
Flowers:	Ann & Sue	Next Week: Suzanne & Margaret
Cleaning:	Team Begley	Next Week: Team Powell
Brasses:	E Rodrigues	Next Week: M Castor

POOR CLARES: The Sisters send their sincere thanks for the donations received from our Parish this week and want you to know that we are remembered every day in their prayers. The next visit to the Convent will be **28th August 2017**. – *Diane Wilson*.

FAIR TRADE: The sale of Fair Trade goods will recommence **2nd / 3rd September 2017**. Any profits made from the sale will continue to go to Mary's Meals which is a charity helping to feed Third World schoolchildren. Details about Mary's Meals can be found on the Fair Trade notice board at the back of Church.

SVP SUMMER OUTING: Thursday 7th September 2017. This year the SVP are taking a coach trip to the National Memorial Arboretum in Staffordshire. There are leaflets and an itinerary on the SVP notice board at the back of church, together with a list for people to put their names on if they would like to go. The journey will take approximately 1 hour and on arrival soup and a roll will be provided for an early lunch. After lunch, there will be a guided land train tour of the grounds. It is just a short distance to the train from the Visitors Centre. This will take approximately 55 minutes and on return there will be time for you to purchase tea/cake etc. if you wish from the cafeteria. There is also a souvenir shop situated in the Visitors Centre. If you would like to come on the trip please put your name on the list at the back of Church, also whether you need transport to and from Church and if a wheelchair is required. Several of us have been to the Arboretum before and it is certainly worth a visit. – *Beeston SVP*

LOURDES IN A DAY: Sunday 13th August 2017 at St Mary Crowned Church, Glossop, SK13 8DP. Beginning with *Mass* at 2:00pm, *Blessed Sacrament Procession* at 4:00 pm and *Torchlight Procession* at 6:00 pm. Plenty of refreshments and a warm welcome guaranteed! For more information visit: www.glossop Catholics.com.

BUSY TIMES, BUSY FAMILIES; EXPLORING SCRIPTURE IN OUR DAILY LIVES: The Bible for all ages – a day with Bishop Patrick. Keynote speaker: Matthew van Duyvenbode, from *Bible Society & Chair of the Catholic Bible Association*. **Saturday 4th November 2017 10:00 am – 4:00 pm** at Grace Dieu Manor School, Thringstone, Leicestershire, LE67 5UG. Workshops for all ages. Cost £25 per family; £15 per couple; and £10 individuals. For more details e – mail: formation@nrcdt.org.uk or telephone: 0115 953 9841.

The Transfiguration of the Lord: How Are we Transfigured?

The disciples had to learn that Jesus was not exactly the type of Messiah that they were expecting. He told them He would be a suffering Messiah and would be executed. What a shock! Immediately following this we read that Peter, James and John saw Jesus Transfigured. How they needed this grace. They had left everything to follow Jesus and He had just told them that He would be killed. They needed reassurance and they received a huge grace on the mountain as they saw Jesus Transfigured. Moses and Elijah also appeared and spoke with Jesus. God the Father spoke from heaven and said, "This is my Son, the Beloved... Listen to Him." So, the Old Testament and the Father in heaven are now confirming that Jesus is indeed the expected Messiah. Although Jesus had just shocked them by telling them He must suffer and die, this is, in fact, the plan of God for Jesus. The Father said, "Listen to him." In other words, "Do not be scandalised at the teaching of My Son, Jesus, about His forthcoming Passion and Death." Will they listen to Jesus? Will they stand by Jesus as He goes to His Passion and Death? We know the story. Peter denied Jesus and James, like the rest of the disciples, abandoned Jesus. Only John listened to Jesus and was not scandalised by the Passion and Death of Jesus. John went into the courtyard of the high priest while Jesus was being tried and went all the way to the Cross of Jesus with the women. When the crunch came, Peter and James did not listen, they abandoned Jesus. But their abandonment was only temporary, while John remained faithful during The Passion. Later, all three of them became great witnesses to Jesus. So, the three disciples did listen to Jesus although two of them were temporarily unfaithful during the Passion of Jesus. Perhaps we are disappointed that Peter and James did not listen to Jesus, did not remain faithful to Jesus, during the time He most needed them. They had seen Jesus Transfigured, they heard the command of the Father to listen to Jesus, they had been with Jesus for other intimate moments, but they were scandalised by the Passion of Jesus. But why should we be disappointed with them? We also have experienced and met Jesus in many ways and sometimes we too let Him down. We meet Jesus in a most intimate way every time we receive Him in the Eucharist. It is the time when we are closest to Jesus. We meet Jesus in the Scriptures as they touch our hearts. Jesus speaks to us now when we read the Scriptures. The Scriptures are not just about the life of Jesus; in the Scriptures Jesus also speaks to us about our lives and in them we meet Jesus as He speaks to us about our lives. Just as Peter and James needed to know after Jesus' Resurrection that He did not hold their abandonment of Him against them, we need to be reconciled to Jesus often. We need to meet Jesus in the Sacrament of Reconciliation often, because there are times when we do not listen to Jesus, times when we deny Jesus, not in the courtyard of the high priest, but maybe sometimes in our families, or perhaps where we work, or maybe in our communities. We do not have to be conquered or governed by our weaknesses or sinfulness. Just as Peter, James and John received the special grace of seeing Jesus Transfigured and received many other graces from Jesus, we too have received many graces from Jesus to help us become the great people He has called us to be and to witness to Him wherever life demands!