

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH, especially Bryan and Maura Gaze, Janet Ashburn, Susan Jepson, Christine Phinn, Ruth Campbell, Gerard Kelly, Jane Sexton, Laura Latham, Jack Gowans (Scotland), Mary Cannon, Lynne Duncan (Scotland), Eileen Price, Maureen Namdi, Fr Michael O'Connor, John Webster, Larry Peterson, Matty Singeisen, Shaun Webster, Steve Beadle, Michael Mellor, Jean Glancy and those who have no one to pray for them.
Lord, hear us...

WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: Gwynneth Doran, Jack Dean, Billy Walsh (Ireland), Nora Londesborough, Jack Turner, Michele White

AND THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME: Terry McMahan, Maureen Mullins, Patricia Aspinall, Fr Joe Carroll, Anne Walling Smith, Joan & Edward Tickle
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES – Friday 28th June – 4th July 2024

Bishop Ralph invites you to join him on the 2024 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Booking forms are available to download at www.hallam-lourdes.com or please see Adele for a copy of the form. Leaflets are available at the back of Church. Enquiries 01302 247910 or 07724 650066. Fare £879 – 6 nights Full Board (excl. Ins) flying from Leeds Bradford Airport direct to Lourdes. Applications particularly welcome from pilgrims who need help due to medical issues/mobility. Volunteer doctors, nurses and helpers are also required.

St Mary Magdalene Catholic Church, Maltby

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B 11th February 2024

Sat 10th	Edlington	Rosary/Confession Bernard Kelly (RIP) Keeton Family Intentions (RIP)	5:30pm 6:00pm
Sun 11th	Balby Maltby	Rosary/Confession Michael Mirikwe (RIP) Mague McEnaney (RIP) Confession Joan & Edward Tickle (RIP Anniv) Terry McMahan (RIP Anniv)	8:30am 9:00am 10:30am 11:00am
Tues 13th	Balby	Protection of Unborn Children	9:30am
Wed 14th Ash Wed	Edlington Maltby Balby	Keeton Family Intentions Mass – Mass -	9:00am 10:30am 6:30pm
Thur 15th	Maltby	Funeral Service – Nora Londesborough	1:15pm
Sat 17th	Edlington	Rosary/Confession Fred & Edie Eccles (RIP)	5:30pm 6:00pm
Sun 18th 1st Sunday of Lent	Balby Maltby	Rosary/Confession Mass - Confession Bridie Durkan (RIP) Fr Joe Carroll (RIP Anniv)	8:30am 9:00am 10:30am 11:00am

RESPONSE TO PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Reader: Lord, hear us;

All: and cleanse us from our sins.

A MESSAGE FROM FR JOHN - To all in Maltby, Edlington and Balby. With mixed emotions, this comes to say a massive thank you for the love and collaboration shown over the past 3 years plus, for your understanding in all circumstances when I couldn't be all I was expected to be, and for all your good wishes, prayers and material supports! May the Lord of the harvest be your reward! I will continue to remember you all in my prayers. God bless!

MASS INTENTIONS – please can all Mass Intentions be clearly marked in the envelopes provided for this purpose at the back of Church. Allocating Mass intentions for three parishes is a huge task and this will help us to ensure that Masses are allocated to the intended parish at the correct time.

There will be no Scripture Study or Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this Thursday. Both will resume on Thursday 22nd February.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATIONS – An introductory meeting for parents will take place on Tuesday 20th February at 5:30pm in the Parish Room. Preparatory classes for the children will commence on Tuesday 12th March in school. Each child will require a book that needs to be purchased by parents/carers priced at £8 each -these will be ordered ready for the first class. A registration form will need to be collected from Fr Basil after Masses on either 11th, 14th or 18th February. Forms will also be available to collect on 10th and 17th February after Mass in St Mary, Edlington. Registration is available to children in Y3 and above. Please be aware that registration will close on 20th February. Dates and further information will be given at the introductory meeting.

WELL BEING FOR MEN - A free six-week online course for a happier and more relaxed you. Starting for six weekly sessions on Zoom on Wednesday Mornings with Dave Wilkes. Join us to explore:

Emotional Self-care – Emotional self-care allows us to take time for the benefit of our health and well-being.

Thinking about putting your own needs first - building your resilience.

Being more assertive and setting boundaries – so that you can communicate better and more effectively at home and work.

Stress and relaxation techniques

Learning new skills for a more relaxed you.

Build resilience and recover from trauma – To move forward in your life.

Come and join Dave for these relaxed, friendly and supportive sessions!

For more information contact Janet Kent on 07927657462 jkent@hallam-diocese.com

Ash Wednesday		
St Mary, Edlington	St Mary Magdalene	Sacred Heart, Balby
9:00am	10:30am	6:30pm

The Season of Lent

During his life on earth Our Lord undertook voluntary penance, e.g. the Forty Days in the desert, and he invited us all to do the same. Our penance can therefore be offered spiritually as a share in his own suffering, especially in his blessed Passion and Death. Christian penance is also an expression of inner conversion and a form of reparation for sin, it should be a personal action or sacrifice offered in love for God and neighbour. Following Christ means we must always practise some form of penance and devote ourselves in a particular way to prayer, self-denial and works of charity.

Ash Wednesday, 14 February, is a Day of Fasting & Abstinence: everyone aged 14 years and older must abstain from consuming meat, while everyone aged from 18 to 59 must fast, unless exempt (usually for a medical reason). Regardless of age, everyone is encouraged to observe the spirit of the day and to assume some form of penance.

Stations of the Cross: Wednesday mornings before Mass.