

**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.  
We pray to the Lord...

**WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:** Sheila Harte, Gwynneth Doran, Jack Dean, Billy Walsh (Ireland), Nora Londesborough, Jack Turner, Michele White  
**AND THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:** Fr Joe Carroll, Kathleen Mannion, Kathleen Convery, Joseph Gwatkin,  
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June – 4<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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.

**DO YOU HAVE THE GIFT OF BEING A GOOD COMMUNICATOR?**  
The Diocesan Communications group would like to broaden its membership so that it is more representative of people from all over the diocese. The group currently meets monthly for about 60 minutes. If you have any skills or experience in journalism, website development or social media content generation and are willing to share your knowledge and experience we would love to hear from you. Contact Arthi Fernando [communications@hallam-diocese.com](mailto:communications@hallam-diocese.com) for more information or to express your interest in joining the group.

## St Mary Magdalene Catholic Church, Maltby

### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent – Year B 18<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Sat 17 <sup>th</sup>	Edlington	Rosary/Confession Fred & Edie Eccles (RIP)	5:30pm 6:00pm
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>	Balby  Maltby	Rosary/Confession Anne Marie Rogers (RIP Anniv) Elizabeth Chutka (RIP Anniv) Confession Bridie Durkan (RIP) Fr Joe Carroll (RIP Anniv)	8:30am 9:00am  10:30am 11:00am
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup>	Balby Maltby	Mass – Funeral Service – Michele White	9:30am 12:30pm
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup>	Edlington Maltby	Keeton Family Intentions (healing) Nora Londesborough (RIP) Feast Day – Sr Carol McClean (birthday)	9:15am 10:30am
Thur 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Edlington (in church)	Whole School Lenten Mass	9:15am
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup>	Edlington	Rosary/Confession Gerry Murphy (RIP) John Murphy (RIP Anniv)	5:30pm 6:00pm
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>	Balby  Maltby	Rosary/Confession Michael Mirikwe (RIP) Confession Bridie Durkan (RIP) Betty Hampton (RIP Anniv)	8:30am 9:00am 10:30am 11:00am

## RESPONSE TO PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

**Reader:** We pray to the Lord;

**All: who has given us new life.**

**FACT** - Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 5.30pm. Bishop Ralph will say Mass in the Cathedral for People in Prison and their families. Pact, the national Catholic prison charity, will be there. Please go along to show solidarity, and stay to chat afterwards in Houlden Hall. Lots of families are affected by imprisonment and Our Lord particularly commends prisoners to our care, 'I was in prison and you visited me.' See the poster for more details or email Pact at [parish.action@prisonadvice.org.uk](mailto:parish.action@prisonadvice.org.uk)

**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.

**SCRIPTURE STUDY** – on Thursday at 10:30am in the Parish Room.

Everyone welcome.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** – on Thursday in the Parish Room 12-1pm. Everyone welcome.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATIONS** – An introductory meeting for parents will take place on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 5:30pm in the Parish Room. Preparatory classes for the children will commence on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> February. Forms will also be available to collect on 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> February after Mass in St Mary, Edlington. Registration is available to children in Y3 and above. Please be aware that

registration will close on 20<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:jkent@hallam-diocese.com)

## 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.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Wednesday mornings before Mass.

**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS** - to Mary Cannon, who celebrates her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday this weekend. May God continue to bless and watch over you!