

ALL SAINTS, HASSOP (DE45 1NS) and ENGLISH MARTYRS, BAKEWELL (DE45 1DA)

(Holy Ghost Fathers)

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Last Sunday's collection: Envelopes £255.51 Loose Plate £94.21 Total £349.72

Gift Aid Envelopes are available in both churches for use by parishioners and visitors. Please use!

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday evenings: Hassop/Bakewell: 5.30 p.m. Hassop/Bakewell on request.

Week commencing Sunday, 4th December 2011

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| Saturday | 3 rd | 6.15 p.m. Hassop | Mary Kilpin RIP (CR) | 2nd Sunday of Advent |
| Sunday | 4 th | 10.00 a.m. Bakewell | Parishioners | |
| Monday | 5 th | NO MORNING SERVICE TODAY | | Advent Feria |
| Tuesday | 6 th | NO MORNING SERVICE TODAY | | St Nicholas |
| Wednesday | 7 th | 11.30 Funeral Mass of Joe Burns Hassop | | St Ambrose |
| Thursday | 8 th | 9.30 a.m. Bakewell | Donor's Intention | Immaculate Conception |
| Friday | 9 th | 11.30 a.m. Hassop | Nigel Pickard RIP (DJ) | Advent Feria |
| Saturday | 10 th | 6.15 p.m. Bakewell | Doran & Roache Families | 3rd Sunday of Advent |
| Sunday | 11 th | 10.00 a.m. Hassop | Parishioners | |

'In Advent the Church invites us to make a journey following the Year of Grace, following the footsteps of Christ. During this year we will relive his whole life story which we have possibly heard many times before. We should try, therefore, to see it as new and present and alive. We put our trust in the Lord and we await his coming with prayer and in faith.' [Deacon John's notes for **Lectio Divina**]

Ministries weekend of 10th / 11th December

| | Bakewell | Hassop |
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| E. Ministers | P. Molloy | R&J Burkey |
| Readers | P. E-Murray, V. Dooley | J. Byrne, J. Smith |
| Welcomers | D. Wilson | Smith Family |
| Flowers | J. Molloy | |
| Counters | This week: PVH | Next week: CSBG |

Many, many thanks to all who worked so hard for the parish Christmas Fair last Saturday. When I set out from Hassop for the Town Hall, I thought to myself 'There'll be nobody there because of all the other events taking place in Bakewell.' How wrong I was! Our parish fair was very successful and sincere gratitude is owed to the Social Committee, all who came along and those who responded to the requests for donations, prizes, stall contributions – whatever! Without that response it could have been a different story and I am very grateful for all that was done and to all who contributed in any way to make it a success including the donations we received from Hassop Hall. The parish benefited to the tune of £1,700.00. Fr Hugh.

Again thanks are due for our ecumenical gathering and Advent Taizé prayer service last Sunday afternoon. The parish organisers, all who helped with and provided the refreshments served to our guests and our generous parish choir - so many helped it to be a successful and very pleasant afternoon. As we know, very few things "just happen"; they have to be planned and supported. Hence, the many invitations to support, to join, to participate in parish life so that it is a "living stone".

This weekend we have a second collection after Holy Communion for the Diocesan poor & new parishes' fund.

Diary of the month (part only):

5th Monday evening, the R E group will visit the Parish Church in Bakewell to see their angel on display along with many other angels too! Jane is planning this and leading it. The Vicar of Bakewell will meet the group and have a little chat with them ... about angels we hope! This little happening is planned for about 5.15pm and, if anybody else would like to attend, please feel free to go along.

10th next Saturday morning we have our own parish reconciliation service in Hassop at **11.00am**. Fr Michael Kirkam will join us for that and the service will be kept as simple as possible but it would be nice to have a good response from parishioners (and maybe sinners too!).

15th Advent Reconciliation service in Matlock in the Convent chapel at 3.00pm (Fr Hugh presiding).

16th St Thomas More Buxton – school Mass

17th 11a.m. Crib service in Bath Gardens, Bakewell.

19th R E group at 5.15pm in presbytery c/o Jane

On the Fridays of Advent there will be a modest experiment with something "new" for us. We'll have a 15 minutes or so "**Lectio Divina**" in the parish rooms. Soup will be available for those who would like to remain, donations can be offered for a charity that will be determined a little later on. **Advent** is a privileged season in the Liturgical Year – the Year of Grace and we could make that little extra effort for the Friday 11.30am Mass.

The Parish Rooms are open and available on Sunday mornings during the 10.00am Mass in Hassop. It is possible that visitors do not know where these are so, if you need details, please ask one of the Welcomers to guide you.

Sunday morning parking in Bakewell (and on other mornings too) may be easier than we think. The official line is this: *"If you already have a parking badge, you may purchase a 1 hour parking ticket before 11.00am and display it alongside your badge to extend your stay to 12.00 noon. (Maximum extension 1 hour)."*

In last week's Tablet, there was a letter from a Matlock parishioner with the title **The Case for Gift Aid** and concludes with these words, *"Gift Aid is a healthy tax avoidance for the greater good of society."* And the parish community, we say!

Joe Burns passed away in the early hours of 25th November in hospital. He had had a massive stroke. Joe had been part of parish life for many years and, as a parish community, we bid Joe farewell **next Wednesday morning** with his Requiem Mass taking place at 11.30am followed by burial in the cemetery.

Over the past few months we have remembered in our parish prayers Mary Greensmith, the mother of Kate Howard our parishioner: Mary passed away a few days ago. Funeral arrangements are not yet known.

Sick and Housebound: We remember Carole Petts, Patricia Turner, Christina Gentis, Stella Clegg, Cliff Mann, Michael & Shirley Plant, Chris Holmes and Deacon John along with all the sick of our families and friends (remembering Carol, Margaret's sister).

Anniversaries: – We pray this week especially for John Ward, Fr Anthony Kenny CSSp and Peter Gould.

May their souls rest in peace.