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

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

Hassop/Bakewell on request.

Week commencing Sunday, 1st January 2017

Saturday	31 st	6.15 p.m.	Hassop	Billy Whelan RIP (MKG)	Mary, Mother of God	
Sunday	1^{st}	10.00 a.m.	Bakewell	Parishioners		
Monday	2 nd	9.30 a.m.	Hassop	John Higgins RIP (M E D)	St Basil	
Tuesday	3 rd	9.30 a.m.	Bakewell	Cath Adams RIP (E H)	Weekday of Christmas	
Wednesday	4 th	9.30 a.m.	Hassop	Theresa Smyth RIP (NF)	Weekday of Christmas	
Thursday	5 th	9.30 a.m.	Bakewell	Holy Souls	Weekday of Christmas	
Friday	6 th	11.30 a.m.	Hassop	Sheila Nea RIP (M E D)	Weekday of Christmas	
Saturday	7 th	6.15 p.m.	Bakewell	Parishioners	Epiphany of the Lord	
Sunday	8 th	10.00 a.m.	Hassop	Mary F Greensmith RIP (K H)	(End of Christmastide)	

Ministries 7 th /8 th Jan	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Welcomers	Flowers
Bakewell 6.15	H. Hoare, M. Trend	L. Elliot	A. Jenkins	C. Rider
Hassop 10am	E. Marsh, A. Howlings	M. Allsop. N. Harney	A&B O'Connor	
Counters	1 st	Jan: PGTC 8 th	Jan: JNM	

Once again we come to that point of turning over the page of life. Many of us say how quickly 2016 has passed by and it is true. Before I wish you all a Happy New Year, I would like to thank you for your kind thoughtfulness over the Advent and Christmas periods. There was much preparation to do and our two churches just could not have looked anywhere near as nice as they did without our generous volunteers. Recently somebody said to me 'You are a very selfless person ...' Alas, I may not always think like a selfless person should think but, fortunately, we have many selfless people who serve our parish community and I am extremely grateful to them all for their availability and support in all the different areas of parish life. Thank you so much for helping our liturgies to go so well at such an important time of the year.

Secondly, I would like to thank all the people who very kindly sent good wishes, gave me very many presents of various shapes & sizes and in various colours of glass! My thanks, also, to those who kindly invited me to join them for a meal. I am very appreciative. Again, my thanks for your Christmas Offerings which you responded to with great generosity with many of you offering nice words of gratitude for what we try to do as a parish community – my thanks.

And now our thoughts turn to the New Year. Most of us have lived through many new years and have so often offered special greetings at this time of year. Part of this is because we do really mean it when we say "Best wishes for the year ahead" not knowing what it will bring but another part of this is due to the fact that we face every new beginning with an element of uncertainty and unpredictability. Most of us are sufficiently experienced to know that the unexpected can really happen in the lives of family members, neighbours and even ourselves. However, this does not prevent me from wishing you all a Very Blessed New Year and God's Blessings on you all.

Yours sincerely, Fr Hugh

<u>This weekend</u> we have a retiring collection for the peace work of *Pax Christi* which we take up every New Year.

Next Sunday we have the monthly Mass for the younger members of the parish community who join the Catechists in the parish rooms after the opening hymn.

Again, next Sunday we hold the 100 Club draw in the parish rooms. Many thanks to those who recently renewed or joined the Club. Regretfully some members have either forgotten to or did not wish to renew membership. Mick & Christine Allsop keep things together here – thank you!

29th January – last Sunday of month Mass for our young parishioners c/o Sarah, Christine and Alex. New Altar Servers should be prepared for serving at Mass c/o Alex.

Bishop Patrick has appointed Fr James Earley as the Parochial Administrator while Fr Hugh is away for a sabbatical. Fr James will be in residence in Hassop and he has already visited the parish twice — never having been here before! He will be in residence from 15th January.

2017 Sunday Missals (Year A) are available at £5.00 each. Also, the parish diary is still available at 50p or so!

The CSSp calendar is on the tables in both churches. You have some very good missionary photographs and a number of quotations from our sources. Please take home.



<u>The Funeral of Mr Patrick Melia</u> will be at St Francis Church, Sandygate Road, Crosspool, on Wednesday, 11th January at 10am.

<u>Sick and Housebound</u>: Bernard Charnley, Patricia Turner, Shirley Plant, Mary McNulty and Eileen Simpson. We also remember the many not mentioned here

<u>Anniversaries:</u> – We pray this week especially for Christine Gentis and Rita Mann

May their souls rest in peace.