

# St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

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# Everyone is welcome...without exception!

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5th	Week	of	the	Year
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Sat 5 Feb	5.30pm	Confessions
5th Sunday of Ordinary Time	6pm	All Clergy of the Parish
Sun 6 Feb	8am	Stephen JV Smith +
5th Sunday of Ordinary Time	10am	The People of the Parish

Mon 7 Feb 10am Deceased Rambayon Family +

Feria

Tue 8 Feb No Mass St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

Wed 9 Feb 11am Exposition & Confessions

12noon Vieira Family + Feria Thur 10 Feb 10am Joseph +

St. Scholastica, Virgin

Fri 11 Feb 9am Exposition & Confessions 10am Feria Mrs Sue Monks (Sick)

Sat 12 Feb 11am James & Catherine Barrett +

**Our Blessed Lady** 

5.30pm Confessions

6pm People of the Parish 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time Sun 13 Feb 8am Margaret Cleary +

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time 10am Matthew & Lucy +

Psalter Week 1

Parish Circle of Prayer - Our Lady of Lourdes and St. John Fisher, Sawston and Cambourne

# First Holy Communion Programme

This weekend our youngsters began their First Holy Communion preparation. Please can we remember to include all those preparing, their families and our Catechists in our daily prayers.

This is an important time for all those involved and we look forward to celebrating with them as they journey towards receiving our Lord in the Eucharist in June.

#### Sheila Curry

We wish Sheila a very Happy Birthday this week. She celebrated a significant mile stone on Thursday.

Congratulations and here is to many more

#### Congratulations

To Ronnie Penn on his baptism on Saturday morning.

We keep him and his parents, Olivia and James in

prayers.

#### Congratulations of St. Pancras

It is now possible to openly congratulate all the Staff, Governors and pupils at St. Pancras on their excellent Catholic Ofsted report. Well done on all your hard work

# Monthly Collection

**Figures** January 2022

£958.36 Cash £367.00 Envelopes

Total = £1325.36 Cash only

Second Collection for Afghanistan £579.64

Thank you so much for your generosity

## 150 Club

The willing numbers in the January Prize Draw were: 1st - 176 - Mrs P Williams - £15 2nd - 66 - Mrs J Fox - £10

3rd - 129 - Mr A Ford - £5 4th - 14 - Mr A Ford - £5

Congratulations to all those who won!

# **Parish Anniversaries**

Imelda Foulger (1996), Jeanie Walker (2007), Ivy Long (1977), Darren Platts (2012), Charles Vieira (1996), Eileen Knight (1997), John Metcalf (2007), Hilda Chaisty (2012), Caterina Fella (1989) Elizabeth "Elsie" Robinson (2002), Gorge Youngman (1966), Harold Mottram (1977), Antonio Melero (1979), Delia Reilly (1991), Sheila White (2003), Michael McGlead (2014), Michael Parmenter (2018), Percy Beavis (1978), Mary Conlon (1960), Edward Miles (1983), Ellen Farrell, Catherine Bates (1994), Lucille Spence (2009), William Lower (1968), Margaret "Peggy" Cleary (2005), Arthur Bonner (1990).

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

## Will you come and Follow me...

This beautiful painting by Caravaggio hangs in a French Church in Rome, just off the Piazza Navona. It depicts the Call of Matthew. The artist has the figures dressed in clothes of the time when it was painted, which spoken greatly to the people of the day.

Jesus is pictures on the right, with his hand and finger outstretched pointing to the tax collector, Matthew, sat at his counting table. The light shines directly from behind Christ and onto Matthew himself... Matthew, sat in the middle of the four men on the left, is pointing to himself... as it to say... 'what, me?' We too are all called by Christ. To follow Jesus in our own unique way; but it is for us, through prayer and discernment, to figure what Jesus is calling us to do.



Jesus points at each one of us and says, 'Follow me!'

# **Sunday Readings**

First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-2, 3-8

# Response to the Psalm Before the angels I will bless you, O Lord

Second Reading: I Corinthians 15:1-11

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

#### The Sick of the Parish

We ask your prayers for all our brothers and sisters who are unwell, afflicted or distressed. Comfort and relieve them according to their needs, and grant them the love and consolation of your Spirit: John Anderson-Hurst, William Barnes, Peggy Barron, Jason Beaumont, Michael Clarke, Sheila Curry, Fabiana Di Mascio, Patrick Doran, Ron Green, Josephine Kalagira, Jo Kelly, Molly Mc Garry, Yvonne Metcalfe, Robert Mullan, Anna Nelli, Mary O'Reilly, Pippa Williamson, Carol Sims, Terry Spellman, Fr. Sam Leader

#### Francis Jacobi RIP

It is with sadness that I found out on Wednesday that Francis died on Friday 28th January aged 91.

Francis was a loyal and passionate man about the church and was one of the founding members. He also owned and ran a large cycle shop on Bramford Road which I am sure many will remember.

Francis and his wife, Lynette, moved to Derbyshire about 5 years ago to be near their daughter.

We remember Francis and Lynette and all the family in our prayers. I have sent Lynette a card expressing our condolences on behalf of the Parish.

#### On behalf of FIND - February Suggestions

Thank you all again for your generosity toward the great work that FIND does.

They have given us a suggestion list for February.

Cooking Oil

Tinned pulses (e.g., Kidney Beans, chick peas, etc.)
Tinned cold meat or fish

Tinned potatoes and vegetables

Fruit squash

Breakfast cereals

Rice/pastas/couscous

These are only possible suggestions but anything is fantastic and anything can make all the difference

#### How do we develop our Community

This year, the Queen is marks her Platinum Jubilee. To mark the occasion, we have an extra bank holiday in June; so from Thursday 2nd June through until Sunday 5th June, many people may be off work.

I would like to propose that over this weekend we take the opportunity to come together as one community with ONE Sunday Mass for everyone. This would give us the opportunity to gather together as a community, to perhaps share a packed lunch together and spend time in one another's company. This will be added to the agenda of the next Parish Forum Meeting, but I would like to hear other people opinions in the mean time.

What do you think? Would you be able to help organise things? Please drop me an email with your thoughts and suggestions.