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The Catholic Community Newsletter
for the parish of
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FOURTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

| | | Place | | Intention |
|---------------------------------|---------|-------|------|--|
| Sat 27 th January | 6.30pm | MB | Mass | Bill Yates R.I.P. |
| Sun 28 th January | 9.30am | NM | Mass | Jeren Peter (birthday) |
| | 12 noon | MB | Mass | Colin Crees R.I.P. |
| Weds 31 st January | 10.00am | MB | Mass | |
| Thurs 1 st February | 10.00am | NM | Mass | |
| Friday 2 nd February | 11.00am | MB | Mass | Requiem Mass of Ellen Patricia Storey R.I.P. |
| Sat 3 rd February | 6.30pm | MB | Mass | |
| Sun 4 th February | 9.30am | NM | Mass | |
| | 12 noon | MB | Mass | Thomas Delaney R.I.P. |

PLEASE PRAY for the sick: David Cochrane, Dorothy Graham, Mary Bradbury, Joan Bindley. To be added to this list, please contact the parish office or collect a form from the back of church.

SECOND COLLECTION: Next weekend 3rd/4th February, there will be a second collection for Racial Justice Sunday.

THE YEAR OF PRAYER: The Holy Father has asked that 2024 be a 'Year of Prayer', as a preparatory year for the Jubilee. Dioceses are invited to promote initiatives to remind people of the centrality of both individual prayer and community prayer.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Many thanks to those who have supported our hours of Eucharistic Adoration at New Mills. Our next one hour session will be on Tuesday 13th February at 10.00am. This is also Shrove Tuesday and there will be tea, coffee and pancakes afterwards. There will also be a short fifteen minutes of Adoration after 10.00am Mass on Thursday 15th February.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: If there is anyone in the Parish who is sick, either at home or in hospital and would like a visit from Father Emmanuel please let him know. A visit can be arranged to bring Holy Communion by the Priest or one of the Eucharistic Ministers. (Also, please note: for anyone in Stepping Hill Hospital who needs a priest or requests for Holy Communion there is a Chaplaincy Office 0161 419 5889 (between 8.30am - 4.30pm. Out of hours - 0161 483 1010 and ask for Catholic Chaplaincy).

CHRISTMAS CRIBS which have been placed in our two churches will remain before us until the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, Friday 2nd February, along with the trees and other decorations, so we have plenty of time to pray before them and enjoy them. This year our Crib offerings will go to support the Friends of the Holy Land, Palestine and Gaza which will support relief work in that part of the world, where so many people have been killed and others whose lives are at risk even during the holiday season of goodwill to all. Please, let us continue to be generous.

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: We are looking for a personable, reliable, and hardworking person to join our parish team. The post holder will be the first point of contact for general enquiries via telephone, mail and email, replying or forwarding to the appropriate recipient as required as well as other responsibilities detailed in the Job Description. The role involves management of the parish office and administration including administrative support to the parish priest. The role requires twelve hours of work over three days, salary is £12 per hour. To apply please complete the application form which can be found on the Diocese of Nottingham website: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/careers; closing date is Monday 29th January 2024.

FOOTSTEPS AT ST PETERS: There will be an evening titled: "Looking for light and faith inside prison; the speaker will be James Gallogly, the managing Chaplain at HM Prison Manchester. This will take place in the Parish centre of St Peter's, Green Lane, Hazel Grove SK7 4EA on Thursday 8th February at 7.30pm; all are welcome.