

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, 26th July 2015

Saturday	25 th	6.15 p.m.	Bakewell	Sheila & Peter McCoy (KMcGI)	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	26 th	10.00 a.m.	Hassop	Parishioners	
Monday	27 th	NO WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK			Feria
Tuesday	28 th				Feria
Wednesday	29 th				St Martha
Thursday	30 th				St Peter Chrysologus
Friday	31 st				St Ignatius of Loyola
Saturday	1 st	6.15 p.m.	Hassop	Celebrant's intention	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	2 nd	10.00 a.m.	Bakewell	Parishioners	

Ministries weekend of 1st/2nd August

	Readers	E. Ministers	Welcomers	Flowers
Hassop 6.15 p.m.	G. Smith, J. Peel	N Harney	A. Lancashire, T. Clarke	
Bakewell 10.00 a.m.	A. Lancashire, E. Marsh	A. Shimwell, L. Elliot	P. Greenhalgh	M. Pickard
Counters	26 th July: TCBG		2 nd August: AJWF	

SVP are meeting on Wednesday 29th July in the presbytery.

Thomas has sent us his experience of Lourdes:

I went to Lourdes as part of the Hallam Diocese pilgrimage. When our Pilgrims arrived there two days after us it became apparent many of them could actually walk! This was quite a surprise at the time having done exhaustive wheelchair training. However the reason then we were in Lourdes really was not only to push our Pilgrims around to all the many Masses, but mainly to be their friends and companions - many despite being mobile are essentially housebound and can get lonely.

Throughout our visit we attended many different Masses, in lots of different languages with people from all over the world – there is definitely something unique about seeing all the different banners, hearing all the different prayers and all the different nationalities, yet all of them accumulated together for a single purpose and with singular hope and genuine joy – especially the Spanish who started dancing and singing in a giant circle!

Two moments in Lourdes were particularly special to me, the first was when I went to my second ever confession and the other, our Night visit to the Grotto on the final night. Going to confession I admit scared me. I hadn't been since my first Holy Communion so I felt that I had a wagon-load of sins to confess. Consequently I was quite reluctant when I heard about it from my friends in the UK, but sitting next to the priest all I felt was sadness and regret. I burst out crying. The priest didn't even bat an eye. He simply said to me "God doesn't want you to list your sins, Jesus doesn't want that from you today", by this point though I was incoherent anyway, and then he gave me this analogy for the bad times in my life " whenever you sin, it's an opportunity Jesus is giving you, he's telling you I have always loved you and I will always love you and I've already forgiven you, I'm giving you this as an opportunity to get back on the right path and walk with me, not as God, but as your friend. At that moment despite the buckets and despite my twinge of embarrassment I felt such a feeling of weightlessness and freedom that I can't really succeed in describing. That same feeling would hit me later at the Grotto. Those of you who've been before will know the Grotto at night is silent, there are a row of candles you can light and everyone cries. That night I wasn't drawn to the candles or the statue but the bench beside the river that runs through the area. Listening to its flow and sitting under the stars I honestly felt at that moment as though I had let God into my life and I felt an indescribable feeling of wholeness.

In conclusion when you come back the most frequent question that seems to feature is: "what is it like?" it appears on the surface to be the simplest of questions but applied to a place such as Lourdes it's one of the hardest. Going to Lourdes and being there, in the Underground Basilica and the Grotto for night prayer, wheeling around your pilgrim, getting bought ice creams and eating crepes, being in 37 degree heat all week, meeting new friends, going to Mass every day, going to the baths (What they say is true, you're instantly dry) and being together as a group, as a Church or just being alone with God, nothing I can type can come close to the actual feeling of Lourdes – It simply is and it can't be defined and captured by words.

I'd like to thank everyone in the parish who contributed towards me getting to Lourdes - I really appreciate your generosity and kindness.

Mick and Chris Allsop would like to thank all the Parishioners who sponsored them for last weekends 20 miles/10 hours 3 legged walk. Their total so far for the walk is £6,500 with money still coming in. The even better news, is that their running total for Weston Park Cancer Hospital is £104,200 !! As you can imagine they are delighted and the Hospital also sends their thanks. PS Tom Martyn was one of the collectors on the day.



Rosmini Centre: Wednesdays 6.00-7.00 pm **Adoration and Intercession. Changes** – Fr. David Tobin leaves for Rugby and Fr. Binu Palakapally will take over in coordinating the Centre in mid August. Fr. Ted Mullen stays as Fr. President of Ratcliffe College. Fr. David will be working on the spirituality and teaching of Blessed Rosmini.

Sick and Housebound: Mgr Edward Walker, Patricia Turner, Cliff Mann, Shirley Plant, Agnes Wilson, Mary McNulty and Eileen Simpson along with all our sick family & parish members.

Anniversaries: We pray especially this week for Helen Parlon, Dennis Mason & Evelyn Day. **May their souls rest in peace**

Last Sunday's collection: Envelopes £86.90 Loose Plate Hassop £65.90 Bakewell £15.97 Total £168.77
Gift Aid Envelopes are available in both churches for use by parishioners and visitors. Please use!