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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS			
Sat 25 June	5.30 pm	St George's	Trevor McCandless RIP, 11th Anniv.
Sun 26 June	9.30 am	St George's	Alice EgbeTabe RIP
	11.15 am Holy Spirit		People of the Parish & Clergy
	6.00 pm	St George's	Tommy McArdle RIP
Mon 27 June	9.30 am	St George's	Sister Annunciata McGrath RIP
Tue 28 June	9.30 am	St George's	Priest's own intentions
Wed 29 June	9.30 am	St George's	For peace in the Ukraine and other areas of war
	7.00 pm	Holy Spirit	Holy Souls and donor's intentions
Thu 30 June	9.30 am	St George's	In thanksgiving, St Anthony of Padua
Fri 01 July	9.30 am	St George's	For Albert Woodcock, in
			thanksgiving, 90th birthday
Sat 02 July	9.30 am	St George's	Kathleen Connolly RIP, 5th anniv.
		St George's	and Tom Connolly RIP
Sun 03 July	9.30 am	St George's	People of the Parish
	11.15 am Holy Spirit		Priest's own intentions
	6.00 pm	St George's	Holy Father, Pope Francis, intentions



26th June 2022

Gospel Reflection: Luke 9:51-62

This passage contains some very harsh statements. Jesus' response to the first would-be follower is that – before deciding to follow Jesus – he should first count the cost. The closing sentence is even harder, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.' This is a Jesus who leaves no room for compromise. Not only must we follow

Jesus, whatever the cost, but we must do it immediately and wholeheartedly.

A RECENT DEATH: Please pray for Nick Saccone, son of Francesco Saccone, who has died recently. Requiem Mass will take place at St George's on Tuesday, 5th July, at 10.30 am. We extend our sincere sympathies to the family. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

DERBY IRISH CENTRE

Fully open and lots of events going on including the GAA fixtures and senior citizens Failte Group meeting every Thursday 12 noon to 3pm. The club is open at the weekends with music on Saturday evenings. If you're not a member it's really easy to join when you visit. There's also an upstairs room for hire



Contact Alisha on 07709486879. . All are most welcome!

SPRINGBOARD a hands-on workshop from Caritas, from 10.30 until 3.30 – you'll be welcome for the morning, afternoon or both. Following the Here: Now: Us workshop and Synod consultations last Autumn, the pandemic is giving way to a time of crisis for the poorest in society and for the planet. At Springboard we'll discern our call to mission in the 'new normal', build local collaboration for mission, and establish a local Caritas Hub as a platform for action – all inspired by Pope Francis's The Joy of the Gospel. For bookings and further information visit http://bit.ly/2022Springboard, email caritas@dioceseofnottingham.uk or call 0115 648 1509.

DERBYSHIRE HIGH PEAK AND BURTON ON SATURDAY, 9 JULY AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES, MICKLEOVER

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ON SATURDAY 10 SEPTEMBER (not June as previously publicised) AT THE CATHEDRAL

An invitation to see and experience life with Christ differently...Bookings are now open for the ASCENT UK - a three year discipleship journey for Catholic young people in years 10-12 who want to embrace their faith in Jesus Christ at a whole new level and learn how to share it with others. Check out www.theascentuk.co.uk for more details.

The Inter-diocesan Pilgrimage to Padley, in honour of Blessed Robert Ludlam and Blessed Nicholas Garlick, will be celebrated on Sunday 10th July, meeting at 3pm in Grindleford (S32 2JA). Bishop John Arnold, of Salford, will preach – and all are very welcome. See the poster for more details.

13th SUNDY OF THE YEAR

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY ONLY: 10:15 - 10:45

SECOND COLLECTION this weekend is for Peter's Pence which goes towards the support of Pope Francis in his many offices and activities.

SAINTS THIS WEEK: Tues 28th June: St Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr Wed 29th June: Ss Peter & Paul, Apostles, Holyday



#HelpUkraine: St Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church in Derby have recorded a fundraising video to raise money to offer support in Ukraine. You can watch the video

here: youtu.be/Xk80NSXK85I Many other charities are running similar campaigns including Aid to the Church in Need (www.acnuk.org) and CAFOD (cafod.org.uk).





SYNOD UPDATE AND WHAT IS MEANS FOR OUR PARISH:

As you all will be aware over the last few year we have been attending meetings regarding change and development of our Diocese and Derby Deanery. The Synod has been the opportunity to bring forth these changes and shape our Church for the future. so part of that has been the process of formulating a programme for combining and merging parishes. The plan has been for combining St George's Parish with English Martyrs Parish in Alvaston and this is now confirmed.. To begin this process, which will eventually lead to amalgamation of the two parishes, a meeting will take place in the late Autumn between the leadership team and finance committees of both parishes to set forth a time-table for the proposed merger. This will not take place until after I retire and I have agreed with the Bishop to review my position with him every two years. So, it is not anticipated that at present and on a day to day basis, parishioners will notice any change. Sadly as you are also aware our Chapel of Ease, Holy Spirit will be closing. We have not got a confirmed date but I will be open and honest with any decisions made in regard to Holy Spirit. Those that attend regularly know we are fighting to maintain the actual wooden building as it deteriorates rapidly due to age. In all these changes we remember that the Church isn't a building but it is a gathered people. Spiritual growth depends on you, and your spiritual growth depends on me. We need each other. This relationship is best accomplished in person. In the Bible. church is always a reference to people, not a place. The church is a body of believers that live out the Gospel in their words and actions. The church is at its best when people inside the building take Jesus' message outside the building and serve those they meet.

God bless, Fr Alan

REFURBISHMENT, ST GEORGE'S: The refurbishment of the



church is now complete. I have heard so many positive comments and feedback as to the new lighting, decoration etc. We have a few small snagging jobs to do, some tiling in the entrance and a new carpet. Thank you all for your patience during the disruption. I thank Guy,

Hayden and Adam at Morris Ltd for the marvellous job they have done and Karan for her management of the project. Our next project is the refurbishment of the social centre and toilets.

The Social centre will have new lighting, replastering, painting, and the kitchen. This will take place over two weeks and should cause little disruption. Once completed we will begin work on the car park, removal of abandoned cars, rubbish and a gate fitted, along with new signage. We hope to have all works completed by late Autumn.