St James the Great in St. Anselm's Local Missionary Area

Sixth Sunday of Easter

5th May 2024

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MASS INTENTION FOR THIS SUNDAY is for the Parishioners of St James, Hattersley.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember the sick and housebound in your daily prayers.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please keep in your prayers Margaret Snellson, all of our recently deceased Parishioners and their families at this sad time of loss.

BAPTISM: We pray for our recently Baptised.

MONEY MATTERS: The collection total for 28th April was £77.00

Thank you for your generosity.

PARISH NOTICES Sixth Sunday of Easter

In today's Gospel Jesus gives his new commandment; love one another as I have loved you. We pray that each one of us can live this commandment each and every day.

<u>The Ascension of the Lord</u> - This <u>Thursday 8th May</u> we celebrate the Holy day of Obligation that is The Ascension of Lord. We have a Parish Mass here at St James at 12 noon.

<u>Pastoral Letter from Bishop Mark</u> - Today we listen to a Pastoral Letter from our Bishop Mark as he speaks about the importance of the month of May and Our Lady's place in the Church.

<u>Lepra Appeal</u>— Today we will be having a second collection for the work of Lepra who work combatting the disease of leprosy across the world.

Pray in May with Mary's Meals - Mary's Meals, named after Mary, the mother of Jesus, is built on a foundation of prayer and the many little acts of love offered by those who believe in our mission. Today more than 2.4 million precious children will receive life-changing school meals in 18 of the world's poorest countries through Mary's Meals. During the month of May, dedicated to Our Lady, we invite you to join us in praying for the hungry children who rely on our life-changing school meals, and for all the children and families around the world who live in poverty. Please visit www.marysmeals.org.uk to access prayer resources and see how you can support this mission.

<u>Gift Aid Envelopes</u> – The new envelopes for the next year are available at the back of the Church. Any new Parishioner who wishes to Gift Aid by using the envelopes please ask Fr Philip for an introductory letter.

The Sacrament of Confirmation - This summer our Bishop Mark will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with the young people of our local area. The first meeting of the preparation course will be at St Mary's Church, Dukinfield on Tuesday 21st May at 6:30pm. If anyone of Year 8/9 at high school or even older high school students would like to be confirmed on Friday 12th July at St Mary's Dukinfield, please see Father Philip or Deacon Antony.