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Parish of Saint Anthony of Padua

Our Parish Newsletter

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"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (Mt 11:48)
A warm welcome to everyone from
Fr. Maximillian McKeown, OFM Conv, Parish Priest
Rev. Simon South, Deacon



Times of Mass This Week

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| 13 Nov. Sunday | 8:00 AM |
| 13 Nov. Sunday | 10:45 AM |
| 14 Nov. Monday | 9:00 AM |
| 15 Nov. Tuesday | 9:00 AM |
| 16 Nov. Wednesday | 9:00 AM |
| 17 Nov. Thursday | 9:00 A.M |
| 18 Nov. Friday | 9:00 AM |
| 19 Nov. Saturday | 9:00 AM |
| 19 Nov. Saturday | (SUNDAY VIGIL) 6.00 P.M |



If you have any Mass intentions please speak to Fr Max
Thank you for your generous donations last week- Our collection raised £389 (excluding DD's)



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, ESPECIALLY, Catherine Bowles, Paul Coleman (Aoife's brother), Richard Carey, John Kilroy, Ann Hamilton, Roy Godwin, Dorothy and Peter Van Heuven and members of our parish, our families, our relatives, our friends, our acquaintances, and all those who have lost their lives in the Ukraine through the horrors of war.

PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY: Ron Peters, Audrey Hatter, Kathleen Sherwood, Monica Flint, Richard Horner, Janet (Jane) Castro, Coleen, Louis Carnell and all those confined to their homes or care homes along with Mass intentions this week..

Remembrance Sunday

In November our thoughts always turn to the souls of the faithful departed; not only those who we love and no longer see, but those who have no one on earth left to pray for them, and the souls in Purgatory.

Today specifically remember all those who lost their lives in the horror of war. Not just the soldiers but all those, civilians, factory workers, families and children who lost their lives during war. May they rest in the eternal embrace of our Lord.

Remembrance Sunday is about giving thanks for, and crucially, bringing back to the present, the sacrifice and suffering of all those who have died in war: to express our undying gratitude for those who "gave their todays for our tomorrows". We owe them a debt that we can never repay, and one which we should never forget either. There are lessons to be learned, and remembrance Sunday is an insurance policy against forgetting that peace is a precious gift.



Pope's call for Peace.

Did you know that Pope Benedict XV spent the duration of World War I trying to call the warring nations to the negotiating table and to broker peace? Like his earlier calls for peace, Pope Benedict's peace proposal of August 1, 1917, was based on his conviction that the warring powers should seek "peace without victory." Divided into seven headings or "points," the proposal offered a realistic plan for a peace founded on the spirit of forgiveness as well as the rule of international law.



The "Seven Points" can be summarized as follows:

1. Relations between nations should be governed by justice rather than the "material force of arms"—warfare.
2. Nations must reduce their armaments.
3. Instead of relying on armies and war to settle disputes, nations should establish an international institution with the ability to settle international disagreements and the power to enforce its decrees.
4. All nations should enjoy "true liberty and common rights over the sea."
5. The warring nations should seek no payments ("indemnities") from each other for the damages and costs of the war. To continue "such carnage" only "for economic reasons," said the pope, "would be inconceivable."
6. Each side should evacuate foreign territories occupied during the war. Germany should evacuate Belgium and France, and, in return, the Allies should restore to Germany her foreign colonies.
7. Where different nations claim the same territory (for instance, Austria and Italy, Germany and France), they should discuss the future of the disputed territory in the light of justice. They especially should consider what the people of the territory desire as well as the "general welfare" of all nations.

The gift of Christ this Christmas

This season of Advent, is there anyone who you would like to bring to the healing presence of Christ? Why not bring them along this Advent season? It is the season of anticipation, of hope and of joy – remember the Saviour came for all humanity. Invite your friends, or family along to experience the love of Christ and the love of our community. What better way to celebrate "**Christ-mas**" than with the gift of forgiveness and hope that is the Lord.

To help you with to approach your friends or the lapsed we will have a Christmas Card from the Parish with a note inviting them to join us this Christmas, they will be available in a couple of weeks at the back of the Church for you to take and share.

Dates to remember...

- Please return your Parish register sheet asap so we can build our mailing list to keep in touch.
- Saturday 26th 10.00a.m volunteers to clean the Church for Advent
- Saturday 3rd December Adoration and Confession begin on the first Saturday of each month going forward