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## Parish of Saint Anthony of Padua

Our Parish Newsletter

"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

30th April 2023



### Times of Mass This Week

30 Apr. Sunday

8:00 AM

30 Apr. Sunday

10:45 AM

01 May. Monday

9:00 AM

02 May. Tuesday

9:00 AM

03 May. Wed

9:00 AM

04 May. Thurs

9:00 A.M

05 May. Friday

9:00 AM

06 May. Saturday

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(SUNDAY VIGIL)

6.00 P.M



**Thank you for your generous donations last week, towards to running of our parish .**



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED, ESPECIALLY,** Guy Horton, Catherine Bowles, Richard Carey, John Kilroy, Ann Hamilton, Marcella Duckworth, Penny Setterfield, Dominique Chapious, Roy Godwin, Dorothy and Peter Van Heuven. Patricia Swain, Veronica Pragnell, Elsie Palmer, Peter McKenzie-Smith, Tom Healey, John Russell, Timothy O'Sullivan, and members of our parish, families, friends, and acquaintances.

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

## Pope Francis sends gift for King's Coronation

Pope Francis has sent a relic of the True Cross to His Majesty King Charles III. It has been incorporated into the newly-made Cross of Wales which will lead the Coronation procession at Westminster Abbey next Saturday, (6 May).

The Cross of Wales is a processional cross presented by King Charles III as a centenary gift to the Church in Wales. The relics, set into the silver cross, are two small wooden splinters from the cross on which Christ was crucified.

Archbishop Mark O'Toole, the Catholic Archbishop of Cardiff and of Menevia, said: "With a sense of deep joy, we embrace this Cross, kindly given by King Charles, and containing a relic of the True Cross, generously gifted by the Holy See. It is not only a sign of the deep Christian roots of our nation but will, I am sure, encourage us all to model our lives in the love given by our Saviour, Jesus Christ".

The Welsh Cross is also inscribed with words from the final sermon of St David in Welsh, saying: "Byddwch lawen. Cadwch y ffydd. Gwnewch y Pethau Bychain," which means in English: "Be joyful. Keep the faith. Do the little things."



**The pieces of the True Cross mounted in the "Welsh Cross."**

## Just a thought ....

The Bishops of England and Wales (CBEW) have this week published a document called "Love the Stranger" which looks at the Catholic response and teaching to the challenges and suffering of the many millions of migrants across the world.

To see the 38 page document follow this link <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/love-the-stranger/>



### As Pope Francis tells us " Every migrant has a face a name and a story"

Building on the teachings within Pope Francis encyclical *Fratelli Tutti* the Bishops remind us "Scripture tells us: "Love the stranger then, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt" (Deuteronomy 10:19). The word 'stranger' is variously translated as 'foreigner', 'immigrant', 'sojourner' or 'alien'. However, the message remains consistent: those arriving from other parts of the world are our sisters and brothers. We are called to see Christ in them, for all people are created in His image. And we are called to see ourselves in them, for we all share this common humanity. "

## National Board of Catholic Women Upcoming events

Angela Tyson, our Parish rep for the NBCW has asked us to share the following details with you all Firstly on **17<sup>th</sup> June 2023 NBCW Board Meeting** in person meeting at at Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge road, London SE1 7JB 10.30am registration with 11am start until 4pm <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/nbcw-in-person-june-board-meeting-tickets-621730722327>.



Secondly, the "Women in the Church book club" will meet for the second session on Wednesday **June 7th 7.30 - 9pm** to discuss Fiona Gardner's book. For relevant pages and zoom link please contact [nbcw@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:nbcw@abdiocese.org.uk)

## Retrouvaille: A Programme for Couples Struggling in their Marriages

**Help Your Marriage** – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage. Tens of thousands of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. The programme helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. It helps them through difficult times whether they are disillusioned or in deep misery. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the next programme commencing with a Virtual weekend on 6 - 9 July 2023 or a Face to Face weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 13-15 October 2023, call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443 or email [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com) - or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

## Prayers for our brother Guy Horton.

It is with sadness that we ask you to please pray for Guy Horton whose Requiem Mass was held in St Anthony's Friday (28th April). May he rest in the eternal peace of our Lord. Please also pray for his wife and family. As a long standing member of our Parish we all hope to see him again in the glory of our true home.

## Diocesan weekly newsletter

Have you signed up for the weekly Diocesan newsletter with details of courses, gatherings and meetings to support you on your faith journey <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk> .

**There will be no Scripture Group for the next two Monday's as they are both Bank Holidays. Normal service will be resumed on 15th May at the Rye Hub.**