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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

11th June 2023



Times of Mass This Week

11 June. Sunday		8:00 AM
11 June. Sunday		10:45 AM
12 June. Monday		9:00 AM
13 June. Tuesday		9:00 AM
15 June. Wed		9.00 AM
16 June. Thurs		9.00 A.M
17 June. Friday		9:00 AM
18 June. Saturday		9:00 AM
18 June. Saturday	(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 Pagnell, 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.

Corpus Christi

Corpus Christi is a truly special and intimate feast in the calendar of the Church, established in the 1246 by Pope Urban IV, and with St Thomas Aquinas composing the liturgy, with three key purposes in mind:

Firstly, it brings us all together as the universal and global Catholic Church, to give thanks to God for Christ's eternal and abiding presence with us in the Eucharist, and to honour His true presence - body, blood soul and divinity.

The second lesson of *Corpus Christi* is to help us reconnect and remember the glorious mystery, faith and devotion, both in and surrounding the Eucharist.

And finally, to help us to appreciate more intensely, God's selfless gift to us in the sacrifice of His only begotten Son while reminding us of the great gift of life and hope that the Holy Eucharist is; both as a Sacrament to bring inner, spiritual change and healing into our lives through the nourishment of our soul and as the eternal ongoing sacrifice God makes of Himself for our salvation and as a mark of His unconditional love and desire for us to be with Him.



Just a thought

The following paragraph is taken from Pope Francis Apostolic Letter *Desiderio desideravi* on the Mystery of the Eucharist. The title means “ I earnestly desired to eat the Passover with you” (Lk 22:15) and reflects the words of Jesus, to us all, as we approach the Eucharist table— He “earnestly desires” us to join Him.

Below is a beautiful passage from the Apostolic Letter (para 11) for us to pray with and reflect on as we prepare to receive the Eucharist in our hearts.

The Liturgy: place of encounter with Christ

The Liturgy guarantees for us the possibility of such an encounter with Christ. For us, a vague memory of the Last Supper would do no good. We need to be present at that Supper, to be able to hear His voice, to eat His Body and to drink His Blood. We need Him. In the Eucharist and in all the Sacraments we are guaranteed the possibility of encountering the Lord Jesus and of having the power of His Paschal Mystery reach us. The salvific power of the sacrifice of Jesus, His every word, His every gesture, glance, and feeling reaches us through the celebration of the Sacraments. I am Nicodemus, the Samaritan woman at the well, the man possessed by demons at Capernaum, the paralytic in the house of Peter, the sinful woman pardoned, the woman afflicted by haemorrhages, the daughter of Jairus, the blind man of Jericho, Zacchaeus, Lazarus, the thief and Peter both pardoned.

The Lord Jesus who dies no more, who lives forever with the signs of His Passion continues to pardon us, to heal us, to save us with the power of the Sacraments. It is the concrete way, by means of His incarnation, that He loves us. It is the way in which He satisfies His own thirst for us that He had declared from the cross. (Jn 19:28)

“Lord I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof”

Parish Celebration of the Feast of St Anthony

Let us come together to celebrate our Parish Family and the love and guidance of our patron saint—St Anthony.

Our Parish Lunch will be at Simply Italian on Wednesday 14th June - 12.30 pm. We have been asked to pre-order our meals so do please see the sign up form at the back of the Church. On the 2nd page you will find choice of menu - A, B or C .



As we celebrate the living bread please pray for those around the world who are starving.

All mighty and ever living God, we give You thanks for You nourish and strengthen us with Your merciful love.

We pray for those who hunger in scorched lands and war-torn countries, with no food for their children. Together, we cry out for justice.

Help us to share generously as one global family, and to hold onto hope for a world transformed.

Bread of life, we pray Your people may find life and joy in all its fullness. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.



There will be a return of our Scripture Group this Monday at the Rye Hub—3.30p.m. to 5.00p.m. All are welcome to join to share and to embrace the beauty of God’s Word