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Parish of Saint Anthony of Padua

Our Parish Newsletter

God is love: He who dwells in love, dwells in God, and God in them. In Jesus Christ we see how God loves us.

A warm welcome to everyone from
Fr. Maximillian McKeown, OFM Conv, Parish Priest
Rev. Simon South, Deacon

2nd June 2024



Times of Mass This Week

02 June. Sunday	<i>Corpus Christi</i>	8:00 AM
02 June. Sunday		10.45 AM
03 June. Monday		9:00 AM
04 June Tuesday		9.00 AM
05 June. Wednesday		9.00 AM
06 June. Thursday		9.00 AM
07 June . Friday	<i>Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</i>	9:00 AM
08 June. Saturday		9:00 AM
08 June. Saturday	(SUNDAY VIGIL 10th wk)	6.00 PM

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED, ESPECIALLY, Ron Peters, Guy Horton, Mary Byrne, 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, Tim Hodge, Nigel Winborne and members of our parish, families, friends, and acquaintances.

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

To bring us to a prayerful readiness to receive and welcome the Lord into our hearts at Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be Exposed for the 30 minutes leading to celebration of the Eucharist each Sunday - 7.30a.m.—8.00a.m. and again at 10.15a.m.—10.45a.m.

Bringing your prayers to the Lord in faith, humility and love.

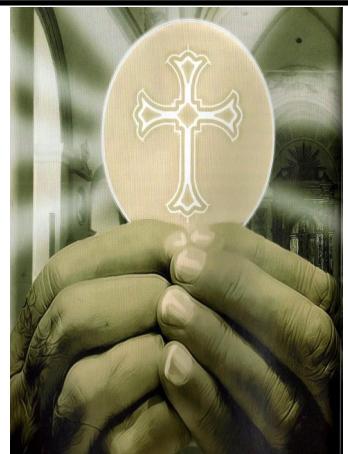


The Body and blood of Christ is our Salvation

The original, Old Testament covenant was sealed by a sacrifice and by the sharing of the blood between God (signified by the altar) and his people as a sign of new life. In this context, Jesus' brings us a new covenant and gives us a new sacrifice, that of Himself.

Today's Gospel is like the warranty and guarantee that, each time we receive the Body and Blood of Christ, we are bound anew into His covenant. The same story is also told in the same way in the Gospels of Matthew, Luke and John. Each time we listen to the words of the Gospel read by Father Max during Mass, we are re-entering into Jesus' new covenant. Each Eucharist brings us to the sacrifice of Christ and calls for us to commit ourselves to the Kingdom, to engage in a new, committed and eternal alliance with Christ.

How do we prepare ourselves to receive the body and blood—the *Corpus Christi* ?



Just a thought...

Pope Francis recent reflection on the teaching of our faith ...

He starts by saying that we are often too focused on the “rules and laws of the Church” when teaching our families and each other, and stories of “you can’t do this or say that”. However Pope Francis tells us that we should encourage each other to listen to the experiences of the grandparents and the mature members of our Parish Community who have through the journey of their lives, experienced the living presence of Christ and all it has brought to them



“What is often lacking, however, is a knowledge of the Church that comes from listening to and witnessing the real history of the faith and the life of the Church community, from the beginning to the present day. As children we learn the Word of God in catechism classes; but the Church is learned, as young people, in the classrooms and in the global information media. The narration of the history of faith should be like the Canticle of Moses, like the testimony of the Gospels and the Acts of the Apostles. In other words, a story capable of recalling God’s blessings with emotion and our failings with sincerity. It would be a good thing if the courses in catechesis were to include, from the very beginning, the habit of listening to the lived experience of the elderly, to the candid confession of the blessings received from God, which we must cherish, and to the faithful testimony of our own failures of fidelity, which we must repair and correct. The elderly enter the promised land, which God desires for every generation, when they offer to the young the beautiful initiation of their witness and pass on the story of the faith, the faith, in dialect, that familiar dialect, that dialect of the old to the young. Then, guided by the Lord Jesus, the old and the young together enter into His Kingdom of life and love. But all together. Everyone in the family, with this great treasure that is the faith passed on in conversation”.

What story of wisdom, hope and encounter with Christ do you have to share?

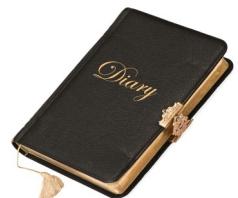
Celebrating the gift of Grandparents on the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne - 20 July 3pm at Arundel Cathedral

This Mass is held to honour the annual day Pope Francis has instituted. We are encouraging both natural and parish families to bring their more senior members of the community to join Bishop Richard in thanksgiving for all they do to sustain our faith through their lives and witness.

Please sign up through the link provided. [Celebrating the Feast of St Joachim and St Anne \(20-Jul-2024\) . ChurchSuite Events](#) through the Diocesan website.

Date for you Diary—Feast of St Anthony

The sign up sheet for our Parish Lunch on 13th June is now at the back of the Church. Our annual coming together to celebrate the Feast Day of St Anthony and our glorious community in Christ



OUR SCRIPTURE GROUP will be meeting again on Monday 3rd June@ 3.30p.m.-5.00p.m. All are welcome to explore the Gospel , its meaning for us in our lives and to build our relationship with Christ and each other. We will be meeting at the Hub on the Hill

Parish Safeguarding Representative

The safety and well being of all our Parish Family is a central priority for us here at St Anthony's. Should you have any concern that you feel unable to raise with Fr Max or Deacon Simon our Parish Safeguarding Rep will be happy to speak to you in total confidence.

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