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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

14th July 2024



### Times of Mass This Week

<b>14 July. Sunday</b>	<b>15th Sunday Ordinary time</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>
		<b>10.45 AM</b>
<b>15 July. Monday</b>	St Bonaventure	<b>9:00 AM</b>
<b>16 July Tuesday</b>	Our Lady of Carmel	<b>9.00 AM</b>
<b>17 July. Wednesday</b>		<b>9.00 AM</b>
<b>18 July. Thursday</b>		<b>9.00 AM</b>
<b>19 July . Friday</b>		<b>9:00 AM</b>
<b>20 July. Saturday</b>		<b>9:00 AM</b>
<b>20 July. Saturday</b>	<b>(SUNDAY VIGIL 16th wk)</b>	<b>6.00 PM</b>



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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED, ESPECIALLY,** Reg and Monica Flint, 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, 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.

### **Pray hardest when it's hardest to pray**

#### **Jesus gives us the authority of love and forgiveness**

One of the most challenging and let's be honest, scary aspects of our life as a Christian is thinking about the call we all receive, to go out into the world with the "message" of Jesus Christ, and to follow the examples of the Apostles in today's Gospel.

But the call to us all is not necessarily about preaching from Scripture, talking about the Catechism or even pointing out the mistakes people are making in their own lives. While some are called to preach, some are called to minister to the sick, some to religious life and others to married or single life, mum, dad, granny or grandad, whatever vocation we are called to live out, the commonality in them all, is love and forgiveness. Today Jesus tells His followers, you don't need things, you don't need props, all you need is forgiveness and the love that Jesus gives to us all. And that is how we all take the message of Christ into the world.

Our challenge is to hear what Jesus is calling us to do and then to do it filled with the gift of the hope that is Christ. Demonstrating the gifts of hope, love and forgiveness in all we do. And if, with the help of God's grace, we are able to do this more often than not, we are living a good Christian life. Will we be accepted by everyone? No. Will some people be dubious, confused or simply reject us—probably. But we just "dust of our sandals" and move on to the next soul who we are called to help, trusting in God.

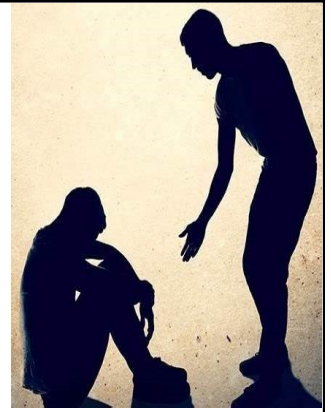


## Just a thought...

The Lord calls us all to “go make disciples of all nations” . To share what we have received—giving the love of Jesus and the forgiveness of Jesus to those who we encounter in our life's journey.

In the first reading today Amos is told to “ go and earn your bread” , while in his pastoral plan Bishop Richard challenges us all to “build a community of Saints”.

“Go”, “build” and “make” are all words of action, direction and motion. They are also words of commitment and self sacrifice. Whether through your prayers, spiritual or physical expressions of love or our physical actions, we are all working together for God’s Kingdom.



## Are you a natural with young people?

We are looking to build a Children’s Liturgy team at St Anthony, to help our youngsters build a relationship with Jesus, explain our faith, and to prepare our youngsters for baptism, first communion and confirmation along with Valerie.

So if you enjoy working with young people, sharing the glory of our Lord in a gentle and fun way, or if you would like to find out more details please speak to Simon (07415 306222).

Teaching and support on our faith is available to help you and enrich your own understanding, so you can pass on your enthusiasm and love of Christ. *A DBS will also be completed prior to beginning.*



## Hospital Chaplaincy

Are you a good listener? Do you have the ability to empathise with those who are feeling unwell? And do you feel that the Lord is calling you to the friendship of Jesus to those who are ill in hospital?



Have you thought about volunteering as a Catholic hospital visitor on the Chaplaincy team? To find out more details speak with Fr Max or Helen Ross .

## Parish Celebration

As with all friendships, spending time together is so fruitful and affirming. With this in mind we will be having a Parish celebration of the contribution that Ita Bligh brought to our Parish for so many years.

**On Sunday 18th August we will be having just ONE Mass at 10.45 a.m.** so that we can come together, after Mass we will be holding a tea and cake gathering in the garden.

To make it fun we will be having a “St Anthony’s British Bake off” competition. It would be glorious if the bakers in the Parish could make a cake. Any funds raised by donation will be given to a local dementia charity.

**OUR SCRIPTURE GROUP will be meeting again on Monday @ 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 . For more info please speak to Angela

## 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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