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Parish of Saint Anthony of Padua

Our Parish Newsletter

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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



Times of Mass This Week

20 Oct. Sunday

29th Sunday Ordinary time

8.00 AM

10.45AM

21 Oct. Monday

NO MORNING MASS THIS WEEK

22 Oct. Tuesday

NO MORNING MASS THIS WEEK

23 Oct. Wednesday

NO MORNING MASS THIS WEEK

24 Oct. Thursday

NO MORNING MASS THIS WEEK

25 Oct. Friday

NO MORNING MASS THIS WEEK

26 Oct. Saturday

9:00 AM

26 Oct. Saturday

(SUNDAY VIGIL 30th wk)

6.00 PM

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED PARISHONERS, ESPECIALLY, Audrey Hatter, 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.

PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY: Sheila Miller, Michael Keating, Kathleen Sherwood, Richard Horner, Janet Luckman, Judith (Angela's sister), Michael, Carol Gearing and all those confined to their homes or care homes along with Mass intentions this week, and members of our parish, families, friends, and acquaintances.



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

"When prayer becomes your habit, miracles become your lifestyle."

"Never let go of our faith" (Hebrews)

Just like any relationship, the intensity and primacy ebbs and flows. We have moments of overwhelming passion and connectedness and we have times of feeling distant, as we priorities the stuff and chaos of our life, the same is as true in our relationship with family and loved ones as it is with our relationship with God. But we hold tight to the ones we love and we draw back and reconnect through the journey of life.

The second reading today comes from the Book of Hebrews. Written for the Jewish converts and in particular to the priests . It captures one of the dilemmas that we have faced over the last two thousand years and in all likelihood, will face for the next two thousand; allowing our faith, our relationship with God through His Son to slip out of focus and potentially drift away.

But as we are reminded , Christ understands, because He is both true God and true Man. He has genuinely experienced all the challenges and dilemmas that we face and will face, because "He has been tempted in every way that we are " (Heb4:15), In all things Jesus knows!. He sees us, He loves us, and if we turn to Him, He forgives us.



Living our faith through action

Just a thought...

This weekend we are reminded again of the battle we all face between worldly desires and giving ourselves to the glory of God and the promise of eternity.

A key weapon in this battle can be captured in one word, humility. Humility that puts God's will before ours, and humility in understanding that we cannot achieve anything of true value in our lives without the grace of God through the Holy Spirit. Humility overcomes pride and ego. Something James and John struggled with in our Gospel reading today, wanting to be treated in a special way.

A way of freeing the Spirit within us and strengthening that sense of humility, is something which has fallen out of fashion in the Church today, and that is the daily "examination of conscience".

As we settle down for the evening, spending a few moments of prayerful reflection on the happenings of the day, looking at where God has been present during the day, considering what we can do better tomorrow and giving thanks for the blessings we have received, while asking for help in the things we are battling with.

As we grow in the awareness of God's presence in our daily lives we become ever more conscious of the words we say each day in the Lord's prayer about God's will and our submission to it. We also embolden the sentiment of the words we say at Mass—"Lord I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word"

The quieter
you
become
the more
you can
hear.

Ita's memory book.

We will be sending the memory book that we created at our last Parish event to Ita's family in the coming week. If anyone would like to add their comments before we send this, you will find the book at the back of the Church after Sunday Mass.

Thank You

Following the Parish appeal for the CAFOD day of fasting, we would like to say thank you for raising £211 which has been sent to CAFOD this week.

Our thanks also go to Val and Jenny, our Parish CAFOD reps for their ongoing focus, support and guidance



Our Scripture Group meets on Mondays at The Hub on the Hill, from 3.30pm - 5pm to explore the Scripture readings for the forthcoming Sunday and reflect on their meaning in our everyday lives. The Sunday Liturgy sheets will be available, with Bibles and commentaries for reference, so just come as you are. A small donation towards the room hire is appreciated.

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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