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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



Parish Mass Times w/c 11th May 2025

11 May. Sun	4th Easter Sunday	10.45AM
12 May. Mon		No Mass
13 May. Tue		No Mass
14 May. Wed	St Matthias Apostle	No Mass
15 May. Thurs		No Mass
16 May. Friday		No Mass
17 May Saturday		No Mass
17 May. Saturday (5th Easter Sunday)		6.00 p.m

A community founded in prayer

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED PARISHIONERS, ESPECIALLY,
Fr David Young, 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 & Peter Van Heuven. Patricia Swain, Veronica Pragnell, Elsie Palmer, Peter McKenzie-Smith, Tom Healey, John Russell, Timothy O'Sullivan, Tim Hodge.

PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY: Sheila Miller, 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.

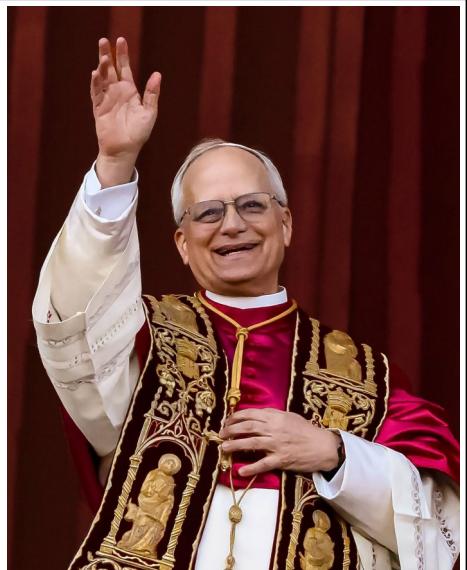
"Prayer is the oxygen of the soul." – St. Augustine

Pope Leo— An introduction by Bishop Richard

"We give thanks that under the guidance of the Holy Spirit the Cardinals have elected Pope Leo XIV.

Pope Leo brings to the office of the Holy Father considerable experience as a bishop and pastor including in Chulucanas, so closely associated with our diocese, together with his more recent service as Prefect of the Dicastery for Bishops. His prayer for peace in his first words from the balcony at St Peter's will resonate with Catholics and all people of good will.

Pope Leo, the first Pope from the United States of America, was born on 14 September 1955 in Chicago, Illinois. In 1977, he entered the novitiate of the Order of Saint Augustine in the province of Our Lady of Good Counsel, in Saint Louis. On 29 August 1981 he made his solemn vows. He studied at the Catholic Theological Union of Chicago, receiving a diploma in theology.



At the age of 27 he was sent by the Order to Rome to study canon law at the Pontifical Saint Thomas Aquinas University (Angelicum). He received priestly ordination on 19 June 1982. He received his licentiate in 1984 and was then sent to work in the mission of Chulucanas, in Piura, Peru (1985-1986); the Diocese of Chulucanas. While in Peru he took citizenship in the country.

On 3 November 2014, Pope Francis appointed him apostolic administrator of the Diocese of Chiclayo, Peru, elevating him to the dignity of bishop and assigning him the titular diocese of Sufar. He was ordained a bishop on 12 December, Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, in the cathedral of his diocese.

He was created and proclaimed Cardinal by Pope Francis in the Consistory of 30 September 2023, of the Deaconry of Santa Monica

Living our faith through action

Just a thought.... Jesus says

"I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hands" (John10:27-30)

Christ is continually watching over us with eternal love, protecting us always from evil and calling us home to be in His presence.

Words of Hope from Pope Leo XIV

On his first address to the crowd in St Peter's Square Pope Leo said -

"Peace be with you! Dearest brothers and sisters, this was the first greeting of the risen Christ, the good shepherd who gave His life for the flock of God. I, too, would like this greeting of peace to enter your hearts, to reach your families and all people, wherever they are; and all the peoples, and all the earth: Peace be with you.



This is the peace of the Risen Christ, a disarming and humble and preserving peace. It comes from God. God, who loves all of us, without any limits or conditions. Let us keep in our ears the weak but always brave voice of Pope Francis, who blessed Rome - the Pope who blessed Rome and the world that day on the morning of Easter.

Allow me to continue that same blessing. God loves us, all of us, evil will not prevail. We are all in the hands of God. Without fear, united, hand in hand with God and among ourselves, we will go forward. We are disciples of Christ, Christ goes before us, and the world needs His light. Humanity needs Him like a bridge to reach God and His love. You help us to build bridges with dialogue and encounter so we can all be one people always in peace.

Thank you Pope Francis!

A family celebration. Support suggestions.

To make our Parish celebration and to make our new family members feel really welcome, we are looking for donations of finger food so we can celebrate together in the Garden after our 10.45a.m. Mass on Sunday 18th May please see the sign up sheet at the back of the Church for food requirements



Thank you for your support and we look forward to a wonderful day of Parish celebration together.

Our Scripture Group will be meeting Mondays (except Bank Holidays).

All are warmly invited to the Hub at the top of Rye Hill each Monday at 3.30p.m.—5.00 p.m. to discuss the upcoming Scripture readings together, to share thoughts and explore the meaning for us in the week ahead. For more details speak to Angela or Fr Max



Parish Safeguarding Representative

The safety and well being of all our Parish Family is a priority for us all 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. Valerie Wright can be contacted by email on sg1.rye@abdiocese.org.uk

Parish Pastoral Team

Your Pastoral Team Chairperson is Brian Cernuschi and the Team Secretary is Sophie Carnell.

For details of our community events, see notice board at the back of our Church .