

PARISH OF ST ANNE AND ST ANTHONY

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1ST MAY 2022: THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)

Sat 30th Apr: 4.30pm: St Anthony's Mass- Dan and Joan Doyle

6.30pm: St Anne's Mass- Val Taylor

Sun 1st May: 11.00am: St Anne's Mass- Margaret Cook

Mon 2nd May: No Mass

Tues 3rd May: 9.15am: St Anne's Mass- Kathleen Donnelly

Weds 4th May: No Mass

Thurs 5th May: 9.15am: St Anne's Mass- Eamonn Pearson

Fri 6th May: No Mass

8TH MAY 2022: FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)

Sat 7th May: 9.00am. First Holy Communion at St. Anne's (for children and guests only, owing to numbers).

4.30pm: St Anthony's Mass- Martin Dunne

6.30pm: St Anne's Mass- Thomas and Elizabeth Kearney

Sun 8th May: 9.00am. First Holy Communion at St. Anne's (for children and guests only, owing to numbers).

11.00am: St Anne's Mass- Elizabeth Farrell

Confessions

There will be confessions this Saturday as follows:

St Anthony's: 4.00- 4.20pm

St Anne's: Immediately after 6.30pm Mass

Deaths:

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Brenda Price, Chris Woolley, Brenda Hewitt, Fr Lawrence Crowe, Terence Perry, Norman Wilson, Hughie Gilligan, Margaret Cook, Jakub Wozniak, Teresa Kelly, Andrew Wheeler,

Christopher Sheasby and the souls of all the recently deceased. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace, Amen.

Baptismal Talks

Baptismal talks for parents who want their children baptised in the near future will take place at 10.30am on Saturday mornings 7th and 14th May 2022 (both must be attended) in church.

Church Rotas- Week Beginning 1.5.22

St. Anne's:

Cleaning: Phil, Linda and Teresa

Counting: Steve and Izabela

Cleaners required

We are in need of a few more volunteers to help with the cleaning of church. If you can offer an hour once a month, please see Betty Wells or leave your name and telephone number with Father Christopher or Deacon Stuart. Your support will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Mass Intentions and Votive Lamps

Intentions for Masses and for the Sanctuary and Our Lady's Lamps are available upon request. There are envelopes at church that you can complete for your intentions or you can use one of your own and put the details on the front with any donation you wish to make inside. Thank you.

Sanctuary Lamp: Peace in Ukraine

Our Lady's Lamp: Holy Souls

Finance: St Anne's: No counting this week
SS. John & Anthony's: £183.05

Bonus Ball Winners:

23rd Apr. No.15 – Bernie Clifford

Tea Dance

Please come and join us on Wednesday 25th May from 1.30- 3.30pm in the Parish Centre. The entrance fee is £2, to help those in need in our community, and there will be the usual bingo and raffle. Future tea dances will be on 29th June, 27th July and 31st August.

ST ANTHONY'S FRONTAGE

The gardens and the drive at St Anthony's are desperately in need of some TLC! The bushes need trimming, the beds need digging over and the lawn needs a weed and feed. The drive needs weed killer and would benefit from power washing. I would love to have a workforce of volunteers who would spend a few hours getting it in shape and who would continue to maintain it.

SO.... Would you be prepared to help?

The church will be open and I will happily provide tea, coffee and biscuits.

The toilet will be open.

Comfortable seating is available for the tea break.

AND ... if we can gather a group of like-minded people together we can have a good laugh too!

If you, and your friends, are interested please see me after Mass.

Thank you,

Maureen Ellis

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 2022- ST ANNE'S: SATURDAY 19TH NOVEMBER

We are delighted to announce that the Parish Bazaar will return to St. Anne's for Christmas 2022!

We are very grateful to everyone who has worked so hard to make the event such a success over the years and we welcome everyone who has been involved previously to join together again to support in making this year's Bazaar another great success.

In addition to previous volunteers, we really need and welcome additional new volunteers to support with the organisation and the running of the stalls for this year.

If you can help in anyway, please leave your name and telephone number with Stuart or Sue and they will contact you to arrange a meeting in the near future.

Thank you in advance for your support in making this important parish occasion a great and successful event.

NEW CENTRAL HEATING SYSTEM:

To help towards the cost of the new heating system that is planned for installation in the summer, there will be a basket at the back of church for any donations that parishioners are able to make. All offerings will be gratefully received and will be a great support towards the project.

Anybody who would like to make a donation straight from their bank, please see Father Christi or Stuart who will be happy to provide you with the parish bank details.

Many thanks for any support you can give.

ST. ANNE'S GIFT AID

The collection envelopes for the new financial year are now available to collect from the back of church. The Gift Aid envelopes are in boxes numbered 1 to 70 and are clearly labelled with the donor's name. Anyone who is not a Gift Aid donor but wishes to take envelopes for Planned Giving should take a box numbered 71 to 100- these are labelled Non GAD.

It is important that the correct box of envelopes is taken.

If you are a tax payer but not a member of the Gift Aid Scheme please consider joining. For every pound you donate to the Church the government will give a further 25 pence in Gift Aid. It is a simple process and does not cost the donor anything but increases the parish revenue by several thousand pounds.

For existing GAD members and anyone using envelopes for Planned Giving could you please consider setting up a Standing Order with your bank. A number of parishioners have done this in the past year which has reduced the time taken for counting and banking.

A pack of envelopes will also be available for those people who already have a Standing Order. These will be needed for second collections. Unfortunately, the suppliers do not produce a set of numbered second collection envelopes only.

Please contact Eric Richards on 07752384476 for further information.

Communion Reflection

Nobody likes to fail.

The apostles had failed.

But the stranger on the shore got them to say: 'We caught nothing - we failed.'

If we can say these words in the presence of someone we trust, then suddenly failure loses its power over us. It is sometimes easier to say them to a sympathetic stranger than to a friend.

Then the stranger told them to let down the net once more. They did so and made a large catch of fish. This shows that even when Christ is only a shadowy figure on the margins of our lives, we are still okay if we do what he says.

But once Peter recognised the Stranger he wanted to encounter him, he wanted to be near him. There is a world of difference between those who have encountered the risen Lord, and those who obey a stranger. The risen Lord nourishes those who encounter him, and he gives them a task to do. He says to them: 'Feed my lambs, feed my sheep.'