

PARISH OF ST ANNE AND ST ANTHONY

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These parishes are part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No 234216

28TH NOVEMBER: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sat 27th Nov: 4.30pm. St Anthony's Mass- Michael Hemmings

6.30pm. St Anne's Mass- Sarah Tranter

Sun 28th Nov: 11.00am. St Anne's Mass- Daniel Coyle

Mon 29th Nov: No Mass

Tues 30th Nov: **Feast of St Andrew**

9.15am St Anne's Mass- Stephen Conway

Weds 1st Dec: **Feast of St Edmund Campion**

No Mass

Thurs 2nd Dec: 9.15am St Anne's Mass- Jim Bryan

Fri 3rd Dec: **Memorial of St Francis Xavier**

No Mass

5TH DECEMBER: SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sat 4th Nov: 4.30pm. St Anthony's Mass- Theresa Heerey

6.30pm. St Anne's Mass- Hughie Duffy

Sun 28th Nov: 11.00am. St Anne's Mass- Helen Treanor

BAPTISMS

We congratulate and welcome Isla-Rose Bernie Collyer and Florence Elizabeth Chambers, who were baptised at St. Anne's last weekend, into the Christian family.

Deaths:

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Catherine Francis, Noreen Jones, Andrew Wheeler, Maureen Grace Brady, Daniel Coyle, Christopher Sheasby, Michael Hemmings, Gerry Skillen, Patrick McGuigan, Janet Conway 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 4th and 11th December (both must be attended) in church.

HOLY HOUR AT ST. ANTHONY'S will take place on Wednesday 8th December, The Solemnity of Immaculate Conception of The Most Blessed Virgin Mary, from 2.30 to 3.30pm.

CHRISTMAS DRAW RAFFLE TICKETS

There are still several books of raffle tickets available and your help in buying or selling them would be greatly appreciated as we really do need as much funds as possible to support the new heating project.

Please take as many books as you think you will be able to sell and return the counterfoils with payment before Sunday 12th December, the date the draw will take place. Many thanks for your continuous support of the parish.

MRS ANN CONWAY- Our Fabulous 'Lollypop' Lady.

On Friday St. Anne's school community celebrated the retirement of Mrs Ann Conway, our very special and treasured lollipop lady. Ann has served the community for 50 years. She began her work as a lollipop lady in 1971. In 2009 she was awarded an MBE at Buckingham Palace from Prince Charles. Ann knows so many families and has looked after thousands and thousands of children. She always has the most beautiful smile which she shares every day, despite unpredictable weather including hail and snow! She is the most caring and thoughtful lady and she always has a kind word to say to everyone she encounters.

On behalf of St. Anne's Parish and School Community, we would like to say a million thankyou's for everything she has done and we wish her the most wonderful retirement.

Church Rotas- Week Beginning 28.11.21:

St. Anne's:

Counters: Phil and Linda

Cleaners: Lynne, Kath and Anne

Thank you very much to all parish volunteers who give of their time so kindly.

Sanctuary Lamp: Protection from the Corona Virus

Our Lady's Lamp: Sick of the Parish

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.

Finance: St. Anne's: £236.50
Catholic Youth Service £126.31
Donations from votive candles: £316.05
SS. John & Anthony's: £284.56
Catholic Youth Service: £37.77

There will a second collection next weekend for the Poor Parishes of the Diocese.

Bonus Ball Winner: No.53 –Shirley Stilgoe.

Lily's Tea Parlour

Lily's Tea Parlour would really appreciate donations of new toys that will be distributed to help families this Christmas. If you are able to help and donate any new toys, please leave them in the labelled box provided in the Church porch.

Lily's are very grateful for the continued support of parishioners.

Tea Dance

The Christmas Tea Dance will take place on Wednesday 15th December. We look forward to seeing all those who can me

Message from Bishop Challoner Training School Alliance

Bishop Challoner TSA is working in partnership with CEFEL and the Catholic Education Service to deliver National Professional Qualifications (NPQs) for teachers.

We are also offering a new NPQ in Leading Behaviour and Culture. NPQs are currently fully funded for all state maintained schools.

Apply here:

<https://www.cefel.org.uk/npq/>

Applications close on 17th January 2022 for programmes starting February 2022.

Communion Reflection

Advent: a time of hope.

It is said that while there is life there is hope. This has even a deeper meaning in reverse: whilst there is hope there is life. Hope comes first, life follows on.

Hope gives power to life, for hope is strength. The amount of energy in the world is equal to the amount of hope in it.

Hope sheds light into millions of despairing hearts. It is the miracle medicine of the mind. It inspires the will to live. It is the doctors most powerful ally. It is a shield against defeat and failure. It never sounds the retreat. It revives ideals and renews dreams. As long as there is hope, no situation is impossible.

Advent summons us to wait in joyful hope. For the coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Lord, in the final analysis, you are our only hope.