

PARISH OF ST ANNE AND ST ANTHONY

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31st OCTOBER: SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

Sat 30th Oct: 4.30pm. St. Anthony's Mass- Amy Maxwell

6.30pm. St. Anne's Mass- James and Jay Tumelty

Sun 31st Oct: 11.00am. St. Anne's Mass- John and Bridget Donnelly

Mon 1st Nov: No Mass

Tues 2nd Nov: **THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

9.15am St. Anne's Mass- Harold Rix

Weds 3rd Nov: 9.15am: St. Anne's School Confirmation (*for children and guests only owing to keeping numbers as low as possible*).

Thurs 4th Nov: **MEMORIAL OF ST CHARLES BORROMEO**

9.15am St. Anne's Mass- Pat McNaughton

Fri 5th Nov: 9.15am: St. Anne's School Confirmation (*for children and guests only owing to keeping numbers as low as possible*).

7th NOVEMBER: THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (CYCLE B)

Sat 6th Nov: 4.30pm. St. Anthony's Mass- Michael Joseph Costello

6.30pm. St. Anne's Mass- Katie Tumelty

Sun 7th Nov: 11.00am. St. Anne's Mass- Ann Ruby Joan Dabbs

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

Sun 7th Nov: 2.00pm at Woodlands Cemetery. Owing to social distancing there will be no service to begin. Therefore, please make your way straight to the graves.

Deaths:

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Michael Hemmings, Doreen Mary Burden, 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.

November- Month of Holy Souls

A box will be placed on the Sanctuary in front of the altar for parishioners to put intentions for any deceased family and friends (please write any lists at home and bring them to church with you). Donations for Masses can also be included.

St Anne's School: Confirmation

We pray for the year 6 Children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation during November. Please keep all the children and their families in your prayers.

Baptismal Talks

Baptismal talks for parents who want their children baptised in the near future will take place at 10.30am on Saturday mornings 6th and 13th November (both must be attended) in church.

CHRISTMAS DRAW RAFFLE TICKETS

Owing to the ongoing situation with the Coronavirus, unfortunately we are unable to hold a Parish Bazaar this year. However, there will be a Christmas Raffle. The parish is really in need of funds to pay for a new heating system that will be installed in the summer costing at least £17,000; therefore, we would really appreciate your support in buying and selling as many tickets as you can. Books of tickets are now available at the back of church- please take as many books as you think you will be able to sell. Many thanks for your continuous support of the parish.

Church Rotas- Week Beginning 31.10.21:

Counters: Chris and Marta

Cleaners: Lynne, Kath and Anne

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

Sanctuary Lamp: Holy Souls

Our Lady's Lamp: In Thanksgiving

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: £230.94
Second Collection for APF: £114.09
SS. John & Anthony's: £220.69

There will be a second collection next weekend for the Johnson Association weekend for the APF. Thank you.

Bonus Ball Winner: No. 19- Maura Woods.

Parish Coffee Mornings

Coffee mornings have now recommenced after Sunday morning Mass, and also after Tuesday Morning Mass, in the Parish Lounge Bar. All are very welcome to attend.

Tea Dance

The next tea dance will take place on Wednesday 24th November and we look forward to seeing all those who can make it. The entrance fee is £2, to help those in need in our community, and there will be the usual bingo and raffle.

December's Tea Dance will take place on Wednesday 15th December.

Communion Reflection

It is easy to get devotion to the saints all out of focus, so that they become objects of superstition and sterile cult. They become people who are good to know because they are close to the Boss and, therefore may be able to obtain favours and cheap graces for us.

Of course the saints can win favours for us. But we must get our priorities right. They should first serve as models for us in our following of Christ. They should not be used to provide us with short cuts and ways of evading the hard slog and the narrow road. The church sets them up as models precisely because they imitated Christ. They are reminders to us of what life is about. They encourage us. They inspire us. And yes, they intercede for us, so that we may be bolder in walking the path of the gospel.

Of what use would it be to boast about what a great devotion we have to a particular saint if this devotion does not change our lives?