

PARISH OF ST ANNE AND ST ANTHONY

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REST IN PEACE

Nothing prepares a community for the devastating and tragic loss of young lives that happened in Kingshurst last Sunday. We all prayed for the survival of the fourth little boy, but tragically it was not to be, and Samuel lost his brave fight on Wednesday. Our thoughts and prayers are with all the families, friends and schools of Jack, Thomas, Finlay and Samuel. St Anthony's, you have been incredible in supporting each other: staff, children and families, sharing nothing but compassion and love. God bless you all and may the young boys Rest in Peace.

MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP BERNARD LONGLEY:

"My heart goes out to all those affected by this tragedy and on behalf of the Catholic Archdiocese of Birmingham I offer my deepest condolences to those who have lost loved ones.

"Our thoughts and prayers are with the Kingshurst community at this deeply distressing time.

"What has happened is truly devastating and hard to comprehend.

"The Catholic community is here to support and comfort all those affected. Prayers are being said at all our churches."

18TH DECEMBER 2022: FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

Sat 17th Dec: 4.30pm: St Anthony's Mass- David Heffernan

6.30pm: St Anne's Mass- Colm Perry

Sun 18th Dec: 11.00am: St Anne's Mass- Dale Holland

Mon 19th Dec: No Mass

Tues 20th Dec: 9.15am: St Anne's Mass- Verena Richards

Weds 21st Dec: No Mass

Thurs 22nd Dec: 9.30am: St Anne's Mass- Gerry Breen

Fri 23rd Dec: No Mass

25TH DECEMBER 2022: SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (A)

Sat 24th Dec: 4.30pm: St Anthony's Mass- Good health, Laura Hobot

6.30pm: St Anne's Mass- Katie Tumelty and Patrick Keogh

Sun 25th Dec: 11.00am: St Anne's Mass- Special Intentions

Confessions on Saturday 17.12.22

St Anthony's: 4.00-4.20pm

St Anne's: Immediately after 6.30pm Mass

Confessions on Christmas Eve 24.12.22

St Anne's: 10.30- 11.30am

St Anthony's: 4.00- 4.20pm

Deaths: Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Jack Johnson, Thomas Stewart, Finlay and Samuel Butler, Paul Worth, Edward Vincent, Liberty Chalis, Ben Corfield, Eileen Boyce, Lily Clarke, Celine Atkis, Kay Smith, Edward McCarthy, Catherine Akpum, Valerie Taylor, Agnes Antoine, Dorothy Colston, Christine Geoghegan, Dean Wilkins, Stephen Richardson, 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 January 2023 (both must be attended) in church.

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: The deceased boys of the Babbs Mills tragedy.

Our Lady's Lamp: Families and friends of the deceased boys.

Going into Hospital: Please inform the hospital Chaplain (Fr Roger Raven- 0121 424 1369) and the Parish Priest.

Finance: St Anne's: £ 313.42

Ss. John & Anthony's: £120.82

The Christmas weekend collections will be for our Parish Priest.

Thank you for your generosity to all collections.

Bonus Ball Winner:

10th Dec: No. 54- Liz Bache

Church Rotas- Week Beginning 18.12.22

St. Anne's:

Cleaning: Volunteers Please

Counting: Phil and Linda

TEA DANCE

Please come and join us on Wednesday 25th January 2023, 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 22nd February, 29th March and 26th April.

COMMUNION REFLECTION

Christmas is a wonderful time.

It's not true that it's just about the children.

It's about us all.

We may consider ourselves very ordinary.

But nobody is ordinary any longer, not since Christ came on earth.

Yet he did not come to bring us anything.

He came to awaken us to what we already are.

We are all children of God.