

PARISH OF ST ANNE AND ST ANTHONY

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

11TH DECEMBER 2022: THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

Sat 10th Dec: 4.30pm: St Anthony's Mass- Raymond Frost

6.30pm: St Anne's Mass- Esther Tierney

Sun 11th Dec: 11.00am: St Anne's Mass- Joe & Sally Farrell & Family

Mon 12th Dec: No Mass

Tues 13th Dec: 9.15am: **MEMORIAL OF ST LUCY**

St Anne's Mass- Rose Dawson

Weds 14th Dec: **MEMORIAL OF ST JOHN OF THE CROSS**

No Mass

Thurs 15th Dec: 9.30am: St Anthony's Mass- Catherine Akpum

Fri 16th Dec: No Mass

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- Verena Richards

Confessions

There will be confessions each 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 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: Peace in Ukraine

Our Lady's Lamp: Chris Bullivant

Finance: St Anne's: £226.48
Poor Parishes: £146.12
Ss. John & Anthony's: £290.99 (2 Weeks)
Poor Parishes: £55.00
Lottery Bonus Ball Donation: £170.00

Thank you for your generosity to all collections.

Bonus Ball Winner:

3rd Dec: No. 23- Grace Jackson

Church Rotas- Week Beginning 11.12.22

St. Anne's:

Cleaning: Phil, Linda, Teresa

Counting: Margaret and Kathy

TEA DANCE

The Christmas tea dance is this coming Wednesday 14th December. We look forward to seeing all those who can make it.

COMMUNION REFLECTION

Vincent van Gogh died at the age of 37. The following day eight of his friends came and checked the small room where his coffin lay with some of his paintings. It was only then that they realised how beautiful they were.

Vincent had a very difficult life. He knew loneliness, poverty, and mental illness, with few friends to support him. But now that he was dead, as often happens, everybody was full of praise for his talents.

He once said: 'I think that those who do not lose courage, and who do not become indifferent, ripen through it. One must bear hardship in order to ripen. Most people who know me consider me a failure. Still, life is only a kind of sowing, the harvest is not here.'

Today, his canvases are almost beyond price. Yet only one of them was sold while he was still alive. It was sold for a few hundred francs. Vincent certainly did not reap an earthly harvest.