



St Anthony of Padua Catholic Church
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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time— 19/20 January 2019

The church is open every day, 8am – 10pm and welcomes everyone for personal prayer and participation in the Liturgy

Sunday Masses: Saturday 6.30pm; Sunday 10am, 12noon and 6pm.

Weekday Mass this week: Monday 9am; Tuesday 9am & 7.30pm; Wednesday 9am; Thursday 9am; Friday 9am; Saturday 10am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday 9.30-9.50am & 5.30-6pm

Usual times of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for Adoration:

Monday to Friday 8-8.40am & 9.30am-10pm; Saturday 8-9.40am, 10.30am-4pm, 7.30-10pm; Sunday 8-9am & 7-10pm

Devotions to St Anthony and Benediction: Tuesday evening after 7.30pm Mass

HOLIDAYS, Solemnities, Feasts and Memorials: Monday: St Agnes, Virgin&Martyr; Thursday: St Francis de Sales, Bishop&Doctor; Friday: The Conversion of St Paul the Apostle; Saturday: Ss Timothy and Titus, Bishops;

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus was a living, breathing human being with a mother, father (Joseph), brothers, and sisters according to the Synoptics. According to today's gospel reading, he attended a wedding feast, and we can probably assume this was not his first or last wedding feast. In the shortest of all the Bible verses, according to many translations, the Gospel of John later tells us, "And Jesus wept"(11:35). In sum, Jesus was a human being rather than a divine puppet. He experienced emotions from celebrating at a wedding to weeping at the death of a friend. Ultimately, he faced death itself, as each of us will. By undergoing his passion and death, which led to resurrection and life, he gives us the promise of eternal life. In Jesus, divinity became humanity thus exalting humanity to the divine. The paschal mystery nourishes our faith with the knowledge that our own personal death will lead to eternal life because of what God has done in Christ.

**The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
 "Justice and only justice you shall pursue"**

Every year Christians across the world gather in prayer for growth in unity. We do this in a world where corruption, greed and injustice bring about inequality and division. Ours is a united prayer in a fractured world: this is powerful. However, as individual Christians and communities, we are often complicit with injustice, and yet we are called together to form a united witness for justice and to be a means of Christ's healing grace for the brokenness of the world. To deepen our reflection on unity and justice, the topic of each day has been carefully chosen to present struggles that result from injustice. The themes are:

- Day 1: Let justice roll down like water (Amos 5: 24)
- Day 2: Let your word be 'Yes, Yes,' or 'No, No' (Matthew 5:37)
- Day 3: The Lord is gracious and merciful to all (Psalm 145: 8)
- Day 4: Be content with what you have (Hebrews 13:5)
- Day 5: To bring good news to the poor (Luke 4: 18)
- Day 6: The Lord of hosts is his name (Jeremiah 10:16)
- Day 7: Woman, great is your faith! (Matthew 15:28)
- Day 8: The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27: 1).

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Peace Day —Sunday 20 January. For those who wish to support the work of the Catholic peace movement "Pax Christi" the envelopes will be collected this weekend.

White Flower Appeal—26/27 January. The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal next weekend.

CATECHISM—WHAT WE BELIEVE

How is Baptism prefigured in the Old Covenant? In the Old Covenant Baptism was prefigured in various ways: *water*, seen as source of life and of death; in the *Ark of Noah*, which saved by means of water; in *the passing through the Red Sea*, which liberated Israel from Egyptian slavery; in *the crossing of the Jordan River*, that brought Israel into the promised land which is the image of eternal life.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament *Can you commit to an hour of prayer each week before the Blessed Sacrament, the Real Presence of Jesus, in our church?* There is a great need for prayer, and for people who pray. If so, **please notify Debbie in the Parish office**. We can meet God in the silence of our hearts, and our prayer brings others into the heart of God.

OTHER INFORMATION

Clergy Availability **Monday 21st January: 5.30—6.30pm** in the **Parish Office** located near the toilets in the Sacristy corridor. References for Applications to Catholic schools, Baptism, Marriage and other matters can be discussed. No appointment is needed.

Confirmation 2019 Young adults who have registered, and their parents, need to attend a meeting in the Parish Centre on **Wednesday 6th February at 7.30pm**. This will be the first meeting of the Confirmation programme and attendance is compulsory. Registration has now closed.

Fr. Pius Pinto has returned for several weeks to our community, to help with pastoral work. We welcome him and we thank him for coming back to us.

Baptism Catholic parent/s with a child to be Baptised should meet with Fr Robert during Clergy Availability to talk about arrangements concerning the celebration of Baptism.

Baptismal Course The next course for parents will take place on Saturday 9 February at 2.30pm, in the Holy Family Room. Parents who wish to baptise their child will need to attend this course.

Thinking of becoming a Priest? Contact Canon Stuart Wilson: stuartwilson@rcdow.org.uk or see the diocesan website and look for 'vocations'.

Thinking of getting Married? At least six months' notice is to be given to the Clergy to allow adequate time for spiritual, pastoral and administrative preparation, whether the marriage is to be in this parish or elsewhere.

Parish Centre bookings and enquiries Please liaise with Debbie, in the office, regarding bookings and enquiries for St. Anthony's Parish Centre hall.

Church Cleaning: Team A Thursday 24 January, 7pm

Mrs B. Spain, Mrs S. Bates, Mr M. Ryan, Mr W. Banya, Ms L. Monago, Ms K. Osu, Mrs P. Okodudu, Mrs N. Okeke-Aru, Mrs J. Quinn.

Thank you, all who help to clean and care for our church.

More volunteers are always welcome to keep our church clean and tidy!