



"Charity is the soul of faith, makes it alive; without love, faith dies." St. Anthony of Padua

Saint Anthony of Padua

Catholic Parish

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

Saturday 17th May— Easter Feria

6pm Holy Mass— **Mimma Mongiovi RIP: James Dean RIP**

Sunday 18th May

7.30am Holy Qurbana (Malayalam)

10.00 am Holy Mass—**People of the Parish**

Monday 19th May—Easter Feria

No Mass

Tuesday 20th May—Easter Feria

No Mass

Perpetual Novena of St Anthony of Padua

Wednesday 21st May—Easter Feria

No Mass

Thursday 22nd May—Easter Feria

No Mass

Friday 23rd May—Easter Feria

No Mass

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Saturday 24th May—Easter Feria

6pm Holy Mass— **Teresa Curran**

Sunday 25th May

10.00 am Holy Mass— **Lajos Eperjesi**

Gift Aid

If your circumstances have changed, you are no longer a tax payer or you have changed address, please let Linda in the office know. If you are a tax payer please consider Gift Aiding your donation to the church. Thank you.

Office Computer- We have been told we need to upgrade to Windows 11. Unfortunately the office computer is so old it will be unable to run the updated version. Generous contributions towards this would be very welcome.

If you wish to gift aid your donation (and are a gift aider at St Anthony's, please use the additional donation envelope). If you are a tax payer but have not yet signed up as a Gift aider please complete the form to do so.

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Parish Finance SO Apr £591.70 Gift Aid £152.00 Cash £468.26 Total £620.26 Clergy training fund £181.20		Piety Stall New Sunday Missals and Bibles are now available from the piety stall, at various prices. New cards also in stock. Please come and buy to support St Anthony's Church.	
<i>Please pray for the sick and those who care for them especially</i> Janet Cooper, Chris & Mary Scott, David Walsh, Trevor Quinton, Margaret Smith, Harminder Luis, Martyn Davies, Mary Therese Richard, Doris McShane, Maura Gallagher, Carole Mountford, Mary Doll Gallagher, Robert and Eileen Palmer, Ann O'Rourke, Margaret Clemson, Maureen Tannian. <i>Names may be added to the list with the consent of the person concerned</i>			
<i>We pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:</i> Alfred Donlan, Gladys Wesley, Stephen O'Keefe, John Cuthbert, Lily Pritchard, Daniel Kennedy, Miklos Ferencsik, John Williams, Bro. Anastasius, Anne Purcell, May Brandon, Klem Sakalys, Terry White, Michael O' Donohue.			
Rota Sat Sun Sat (Next weekend) Sun	Reader Phil Y Jo Claire C Sandra M	Eucharistic Minister Richard Sandra Marlene Debra	Counting Team Liz, Kath, Anne Anne, Marie, Donna
<u>Important Dates for your Diary</u> Wednesday 4th June-Saturday 14th June: The Annual Feast of St Anthony of Padua, Masses 10am and 6.30pm with the Novena after the Masses. Thursday 12th June 6.30pm Confirmation Holy Mass by the Most Reverend Bernard Longley, Archbishop, The Archdiocese of Birmingham. Saturday 14th June 6.30pm International Mass.			
Donations of food are needed please - dried or canned food. Donations are made to the Good Shepherd or St Anthony's School OR both. Thank you so much.			
St Anthony's Catholic Primary Academy is looking to recruit a Foundation Governor. This is a great opportunity to be able to make a valuable contribution to your parish school. You do not need to have a background in education but you do need to be able to fully commit to attending meetings, reading documentation and applying your skills to support the school in moving forwards in both its academic and faith journey. If you would like more information, please contact the school office on 01902 558935 or speak with Gerard Aston, who is a current serving Foundation Governor			
Gift Aid Are you a tax payer? Would you like to help St Anthony's church get free money? If the answer is yes, then please ask Fr George, Tracy in the piety stall or one of the greeters or email the office and we can get a gift aid form to you. All you need to is complete your details and return the form to the Parish Office. We then can claim from the Government 25p extra for every £1 you donate.			
<u>First reading: Acts 14:21-27, explained:</u> Each Jewish synagogue served its Faith community year-round as a) a House of Prayer (b) a House of Study and (c) a House of Assembly or Socialization. When Jesus came, acting as a Teacher, a <i>rabbi</i> , he gathered around him a <i>talmudim</i> — a small group of twelve men to travel with him, to share prayer, ministry, Faith, and values. Jesus promised his followers that wherever two or three would gather in his name, he would be present among them. After his death and Resurrection, Jesus' disciples tried to establish small Christian communities wherever they found a welcome. Paul and Barnabas knew that evangelization and Baptism were but the first steps in a lifelong process of turning to, and being transformed by, Christ. Hence, in their subsequent visits to Christian communities, they continued to instruct their converts. Already in the first Christian century, believers understood that catechesis is a cradle-to-grave endeavor. Paul and Barnabas also considered their mission an extension of the small community's outreach to the world. Because of this they were <i>accountable</i> to the Christian community that had sent them. Therefore, they returned to relate all that they had done, careful to credit God for their success and the increasingly universal character of the Church, for it was He who had " <i>opened the door of the Faith to the Gentiles</i> " (v. 27). It is a welcome sight to see modern Christian communities, which are criticized for too much structural set-up, returning to their first century roots by establishing congregations that are a network of individual Christians, bound together in prayer, Faith, mutual support, service, missionary outreach, and accountability. We may not be called to the same kind of missionary activity as were Paul and Barnabas, but we must be as unselfish in our service of others as were these early Christians.			