



Saint Anthony of Padua Catholic Church
{formerly Saint Walburga, Abbess}
Rye, East Sussex

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The Greyfriars: www.thegreyfriars.org
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www.thegreyfriars.org/rye-east-sussex
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❖ **The MI in the UK:** mi-sheffield.com

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Fr. Matthew Chadwick, OFM Conv., Parish Priest
 Rev. Mr. Simon South, Deacon

24 JULY 2022 ~ SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN GOD'S TIME

"On the day I called, You answered me, O Lord."

Times of Mass This Week

23 July Saturday	+ Paul Coleman, req. Fiona Skowronski	6:00 PM 17TH SUNDAY IN GOD'S TIME
24 July Sunday	For the Parishioners	8:00 AM 17TH SUNDAY IN GOD'S TIME
24 July Sunday	+ Cyril Spreadbridge, req. Teresa Collins	10:45 AM 17TH SUNDAY IN GOD'S TIME
25 July Monday	+ Anne Maskens	9:00 AM St. James, Apostle
26 July Tuesday	+ Pam Thornton, OSFS (Liverpool)	9:00 AM Ss. Joachim & Anne, Parents of Mary
27 July Wednesday	+ James Smyka, OFM Conv.	9:00 AM St. Titus Brandsma, O. Carm., Priest, Martyr
28 July Thursday	NO MASS	XXXXX St. Alphonsa of the Immac. Conception
29 July Friday	Rita Nichols (FMA)	9:00 AM Ss. Mary, Martha, & Lazarus, Disciples
30 July Saturday	+ Mary Flynn (grandmother of friar)	9:00 AM St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop, Doctor
30 July Saturday	Maire Dixon, req. Aiofe Coleman	6:00 PM 18th SUNDAY IN GOD'S ORDER
31 July Sunday	Kath Hennessey (FMA)	8:00 AM 18th SUNDAY IN GOD'S ORDER
31 July Sunday	For the Parishioners	10:45 AM 18th SUNDAY IN GOD'S ORDER

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, ESPECIALLY Anne Maskens, John Ryan (22/07/2009), members of our parish, our families, our relatives, our friends, our acquaintances, those who die suddenly or violently, especially during war or unrest, and Mass intentions for this week.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PERSONS: Fr. Aidan Walsh, OFM Conv., Sheila Miller, Ron Peters, Audrey Hatter, Vickie Hatter (now both in Roseland Care Home), Fr. Paul Clarke, John Wakely, Ita & Bob Bligh, Susan Clarke, Kathleen Sherwood, Monica Flint, Richard Horner, Janet (Jane) Castro, all those confined to their homes or care homes, my nephew, Nathaniel, and Mass intentions this week.

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❖ **THERE WILL BE SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION THIS WEEK,**
Monday, 25 July, 2022 , 3:30 – 5:00 PM at the Hub on Rye Hill

REAL TIME: [\(306\) Real Time: Episode 27 - YouTube](#)

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FROM BISHOP RICHARD: [Bishop Richard’s Podcast for the 17th Sunday of the Year on Vimeo](#)

Dear brothers and sisters,

In this Sunday’s first reading, Abraham converses with God about the fate of Sodom and Gomorrah. Perhaps we find the nature of Abraham’s prayer a little strange – it looks as if he is bargaining with God – but the message of the mercy of God is clear. We might view this conversation between God and Abraham as an illustration of God’s wish that we relate closely to Him, that we are comfortable in our conversing – our prayer – with Him.

When we come to St Paul’s words to the Colossians, we hear of the life that is ours in Christ – life lived in the love of Father, Son and Spirit. We are, then, truly at home when we live our lives in God. There is no need for us to fear in our conversations with our loving Father.

The desire that we be close to God – the desire planted in every human heart – is seen in today’s Gospel. It is one of the disciples who asks the Lord how we should pray. Jesus’ response is to give us the Prayer to the Father with whom the Lord Himself converses in His own times of prayer – in the desert, in quiet places in the early mornings, at the moments of miracles, at the Last Supper, in Gethsemane, on the cross.

Indeed, the Lord’s promise to us is that our prayer – like His own prayer – will always be heard. Prayer coming from an undivided, properly disposed and open heart, offered in simplicity and trust – the prayer of the trusting child – will always be answered.

Let us, then, offer our prayers in simplicity and trust, knowing that God listens to our prayers and will answer in accord with His will – in ways that will be beyond our understanding and our expectation.

With every blessing,
+ Richard

DIOCESAN SYNTHESIS FOR THE SYNOD: [Microsoft Word - Synod of Bishops 2023. Report to CBCEW.docx \(website-files.com\)](#)

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“To conquer the whole world for Christ through Mary Immaculate.”

The Marian Devotion of St. Anthony of Padua

Author: Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate

St. Anthony of Padua is one of the most famous disciples of St Francis of Assisi. He was a famous preacher and worker of miracles in his own day, and throughout the eight centuries since his death he has so generously come to the assistance of the faithful who invoked him, that he is known throughout the world. This brief article about St. Anthony of Padua appeared in the August/September edition of the *Herald of the Immaculate*, and forms part of the Home Page of St. Francis of Assisi.

St. Anthony’s life began with Mary.

St. Anthony is titled the Evangelical Doctor, Wonder-Worker and Hammer of Heretics; but more importantly he is renowned for his personal holiness. His sanctity and wisdom flowed from his profound, penetrating love for the Immaculate Virgin Mary. Heroically he followed the Poverello of Assisi, St. Francis, whose tender love for the poor, humble Virgin was comparable only to that of Christ Himself. As a true friar minor St. Anthony praised and glorified the Queen of the Angels from the pulpit, where with simple yet lofty doctrine he moved multitudes to savor the sweet name of Mary. Furthermore, he imitated her with such perfection that he became, as it were, an extension of the Virgin Mother on earth.

From the outset his life was markedly Mariana, being born in Lisbon on the feast of the Assumption, August 15th, 1195 A. D., and baptized in the Church of St. Mary in Lisbon. At the age of 15 he completed

his studies at the Cathedral School of St. Mary. Appropriately his earthly life, ever pure and humble, was brought to a close in a similar Marian tone, for when death drew nigh he longed to be taken to the St. Mary, Mother of God Friary in Padua. After receiving Extreme Unction he intoned his favorite hymn, !) Gloriosa Domina..." (O Glorious Lady). He lived and died with the Virgin Mary on his lips and in her heart.

St. Anthony's Faith in Jesus Christ overflowed in Devotion to Mary.

His devotion was founded on the solid foundation of Catholic doctrine, as all true devotion is. Consequently he has left the Church with a wealth of Mariological insight in his sermons. Reflecting upon the doctrines about our Blessed Lady through the eyes of St. Anthony one realizes with him that "in her were gathered all the privileges of merits and rewards."

In 431 AD the Catholic Church at the Council of Ephesus proclaimed that since Jesus Christ is the second Person of the most Holy Trinity, that is, a divine Person, Mary can rightly be called "Mother of God" (Theotokos). St. Anthony maintains that as Jesus was "designated Son of God in power according to the spirit of holiness..." (Rom. 1:4), so Mary "is designated as Mother of God in power according to the spirit of holiness." For him Mary was designated, predestined from all eternity, to receive this singular grace.

"O inestimabilis Mariae dignitas!
O inennarabilis gratiae sublimitas!
O investigabilis misericordiae profunditas!..."
O inestimable dignity of Mary!
O indescribable sublimity of grace!
O incomprehensible depth of mercy!

Has so much grace or mercy ever been given to an angel or man as has been given to the Blessed Virgin, whom God the Father wished to be the Mother of His Son?"

Commenting on the passage where "a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, "Blessed is the womb that bore You and the breasts that You sucked!" (Lk. 11:27), the holy doctor says, "Blessed, therefore, is the womb of the glorious Virgin who for nine months was worthy to carry all goodness, the highest goodness, the bliss of angels and reconciliation of sinners." Elsewhere he writes that "She possessed within her the compactness of love --- for nine months she carried Love Incarnate in her womb." His interior wonderment and inspired preaching regarding Mary's divine maternity ought to enkindle within all souls the same sentiments.

[The Marian Devotion of St. Anthony of Padua | EWTN](#)

Here is a magazine published by the friars of the Bl. Agnellus of Pisa Custody
The Golden Thread: The Immaculate Today:

[file:///C:/Users/Owner/Downloads/July%202022%20GT%20Magazine%20\(1\).pdf](file:///C:/Users/Owner/Downloads/July%202022%20GT%20Magazine%20(1).pdf)



KEEP YOUR SENSE OF HUMOUR!

So the ransomed of the LORD will return and come with joyful shouting to Zion, and everlasting joy will be on their heads. They will obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing will flee away. [Isaiah 51:11]

10 Reasons to laugh:

Reduces stress hormones.	Increases health-enhancing hormones
Boosts immune system.	Natural exercise.
Regulates blood pressure.	Improves memory.
Promotes creativity.	Increases blood oxygenation.
Helps cancer treatments.	Enhances mood.

Our Lady of Joy, increase the joys within us!