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Parish of Saint Anthony of Padua

Our Parish Newsletter

16th April 2023

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.” (Mt 11:48)

A warm welcome to everyone from

Fr. Maximillian McKeown, OFM Conv, Parish Priest

Rev. Simon South, Deacon



Times of Mass This Week

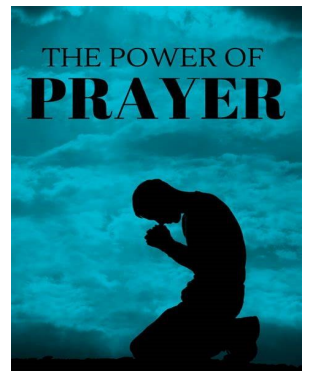
16 Apr. Sunday	8:00 AM
16 Apr. Sunday	10:45 AM
17 Apr. Monday	9:00 AM
18 Apr. Tuesday	9:00 AM
19 Mar. Wed	9.00 AM
20 Apr. Thurs	9.00 A.M
21 Apr. Friday	9:00 AM
22 Mar. Saturday	9:00 AM
22 Mar .Saturday (SUNDAY VIGIL)	6.00 P.M



Thank you for your generous donations last week, towards to running of our parish .

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED, ESPECIALLY, Catherine Bowles, Richard Carey, John Kilroy, Ann Hamilton, Marcella Duckworth, Penny Setterfield, Dominique Chapious, Roy Godwin, Dorothy and Peter Van Heuven. Patricia Swain, Veronica Pragnell, Elsie Palmer, Peter McKenzie-Smith, Tom Healey, John Russell, Timothy O’Sullivan, and members of our parish, families, friends, and acquaintances.

PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY: Ron Peters, Sheila Miller, Audrey Hatter, Kathleen Sherwood, Monica Flint, Richard Horner, Janet Castro, Coleen, Louis Carnell, Isabella Rose, Judith (Angela’s sister) and all those confined to their homes or care homes along with Mass intentions this week.



The message of Divine Mercy

The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:

A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that all the graces of His mercy can only be received by our trust. The more we open the door of our hearts and lives to Him with trust, the more we can receive.



“Most Sacred Heart of Jesus , I place all my trust in You “

Just a thought

Today, Mother Church celebrates Divine Mercy Sunday. We receive Jesus' mercy in our lives, and we are called to show mercy to those around us. This essence of sharing our faith is a message that is repeated almost on a weekly basis through our Sunday readings.

In our Gospel, Jesus says to His Apostles, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Jesus gave the Apostles His peace, so that they might pass it on; just as we receive this glorious gift of peace each Sunday when our Priest reminds us throughout the Mass – when he tells us "Peace be with you".

God's Mercy is no more evident than how the risen Jesus dealt with Thomas. Thomas doubted that Jesus had risen from the dead, because he had not seen it with his own eyes. His lack of faith led to his doubt. Jesus told Thomas to, "Put your finger here and see My hands, and bring your hand and put it into My side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, 'My Lord and my God!'" Thomas was asking Jesus for His Mercy. Thomas' faith in God was restored.

Today, God reminds us of His infinite goodness, when He says to each of us, just as He said to His confused, frightened, and doubting Apostles two thousand years ago, "Peace be with you." He gives us His peace, because He gives us His Divine Mercy. In today's world there are just as many people who are lost, confused, questioning, like Thomas - searching for inner peace, but do not know where to look. They are unaware of the glorious and free gift of God's love, which is why Jesus sends not just His Apostles but each and every one of us into the world, to demonstrate and to share the Divine Mercy of God with the doubters.

See you Monday at our Pastoral Outreach meeting 6.00p.m-7.00p.m (see below for details)—perhaps we can see how we can pass His peace on together?

Saint Vincent de Paul Society—Parish Pastoral Outreach

Our first meeting will be on Monday 17th April 6.00p.m—7.00p.m at St Anthony's to discuss how we can bring the love of Christ to those in need around Rye. All welcome



The Newman Society of Eastbourne and Bexhill

Wednesday 26th April 7.30 until 9pm a talk by Rev. Neil Chatfield 'The Future for our Children'.

Christ the King parish rooms, Princes Rd., Eastbourne BN23 6HT. All welcome. Entrance free. For more information please contact: Alex 07957632208; John 01323 726334.

A date to add to your diary . A Parish trip to see the paintings of St Francis' life

We are arranging a PARISH DAY OUT to the National Gallery on Tuesday 23rd May to visit the exhibition and (admission to the gallery is free). **Please could you let Jocelyn know if you would like to join us so that we can liaise with the Gallery over any group arrangements/discounts (tel: 01797 222014).**

Diocesan weekly newsletter

Have you signed up for the weekly Diocesan newsletter with details of courses, gatherings and meetings to support you on your faith journey <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk> .

Building a relationship with Christ.

Why not join our weekly Scripture Group held at the Rye Hub (top of Rye Hill) from 3.30p.m to 5.00p.m each Monday excluding Bank Holidays. Everyone is very welcome— Come one come all. For more info speak to Angela Tyson (10.45 Mass)