

Sunday 4th June 2023

Weekly Newsletter



TRINITY SUNDAY

St. Anne's Catholic Church

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| Day | Date | Mass Time | Church | Liturgical Day | Mass Intention | | |
| Sat | 3 rd | 4:00 pm | St Patrick's | Vigil | Patty&Tim Tiernan RIP Intentions of Winifred Meehan | | |
| | | 6:00 pm | St Anne's | Vigil | | | |
| Sun | 4 th | 9:00am | St Patrick's | Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity | Eddie Lennon RIP & Patrick&BridieCollins Eamon Gormley RIP & Sheila Hird RIP | | |
| | | 10:00am | St Anne's | | | | |
| Mon | 5 th | 9:30am | St Anne's | St Boniface | Memoria Private Intention | | |
| Tue | 6 th | 9:30am | St Patrick's | | Feria David & Michael Harwar RIP | | |
| Wed | 7 th | 10:00am | St Anne's | Communion Service | Feria | | |
| Thu | 8 th | 9:30am | St Patrick's | | Feria Kieran Ruttledge RIP | | |
| Fri | 9 th | 9:15am | St Anne's | | Feria Billy Hutcheson RIP | | |
| Sat | 10 th | 10:30am | St Patrick's | First Holy Communion Mass | FHC youngsters | | |
| | | 4:00pm | St Patrick's | Vigil | Private Intention | | |
| | | 6:00pm | St Anne's | Vigil | Joseph Ronan RIP | | |
| Sun | 11 th | 9:00am | St Patrick's | Solemnity of The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ | People of the Parish Mollie Barnacle RIP | | |
| | | 10:00am | St Anne's | | | | |
| Prayers for the sick: St Patrick's: Phyl Bowers, Susan Prince, Gregory McKinlay, Linda Reavy, Cecylia Kotara, Rebecca Kilkenny, Graham Burningham. St Anne's: Patricia Walters, Thomas McCormick, Walter Rogers, Richard McMahon, Patsy Connelly Smith, Colin Wise, Andrea Hulse, Winifred Meehan, Pat McDonnell, Georgina Copp, Marie Geal, Molly Hukin. | | | | | | | |
| Prayers for the departed loved ones whose anniversaries occur at this time: [St. Patrick's] Matilda Warrilow, Gordon Wild, Eddie Lennon, Elizabeth Galvin, Joseph Beyer, Kathleen Bacon, Margaret Deaville, Patricia Toner, Patrick Meegan, Dorothy Dolphin, Florence Lakin, Constance Bickley, Matthew Melvin, Ronald O'Brien, Francis Ashun, Mary Perry, Leslie Jackson, Frederick McGarry, Noreen Chance. [St Anne's] Bernard Chevallier, Derek Nicholson, Stephen Fulton, Katherine Ilsley, Evelyn Rimmer, Clara Rushton, Gladys Wolveson, Michael Fleming, Jack Cheetham, Agnes Pearce, John Sandy, Hilary Glover, Maurice Vincent Jones, Geoff Owen. | | | | | | | |
| Income 28/05/23 | Source | Gift Aid | Non-Gift Aid | Standing Order | Total | Attendance | |
| St Anne's | Offertory | £102.50 | £144.63 | £408.25 | £655.38 | Sat 68 Sun 77 | |
| St Patrick's | Offertory | £88.30 | £156.56 | £152.16 | £397.02 | Sat 39 Sun 79 | |

On the Archdiocese website there is a standing order and Gift Aid form for parishioners so they can transform the way they donate. Please direct any such enquiries to:

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/pages/FAQS?category/finance-resources>

Winners of Parish Tote 150 Club May Draw

£100 Carmel/Mary - 152, £50 Fr Standen - 86, £20 C Salt - 155, £10 J Hackett -125, £10 I Burnside - 49, £10 D Cycles - 116, £10 M Kilkenny - 38, £10 W Meehan - 58, £10 R Fletcher - 88, £10 J Ryan - 66, £10 C Taylor -39.

Thank you for your support. A lot of numbers are still available at £4 per number per month. Further details from Marie, parish secretary on 01785 661012.

***Gift Aid** If anyone wishes to make a commitment; whether weekly, fortnightly, monthly or annually, it would make such a difference. You remain in control for as long as you want. Switching your giving via Standing Order mandate would be a great help also.*

Information cards [*giftaid it*] can be found at the back of the churches for any parishioners who are not in the gift aid scheme. The cards explain how the system works (at no extra expense for the doner) and provide information as to how you can be part of the scheme. It is a simple, free and effective way to help our parishes increase our funds. Do consider this if you are not already gift-aiding. Very Many Thanks.

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| FUTURE SECOND COLLECTIONS: | weekend 17th/18th June: | The Day for Life |
| | weekend 1st/2nd July: | Peter's Pence |
| | weekend 8th/9th July: | Apostleship of the Sea |

FUTURE EVENTS:

- 1. First Holy Communion & Confirmation:** Please remember in your prayers the youngsters from St Patrick's who are receiving their First Holy Communion next Saturday 10th June at 10:30am and those who will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday 14th June at 6:30pm).
- 2. First Holy Communion:** St Anne's youngsters receive their First Holy Communion on Saturday 1st July at 10:30am.
- 3. Annual Mass of Commemoration:** for the local martyr Blessed Robert Sutton at Thomas Mill Farm on Saturday 15th July at 11:00am.

Drop in at St Anne's on Wednesday mornings: All are welcome (from around 10:25am) in the Church Hall.

Wool donations – If anyone has any spare wool it can be left in St Anne's Church porch. It will be used for knitting hats and scarves for the homeless. Thank you.

Refreshments after Mass: Do join us after the 10:00am Sunday Morning Mass for tea and coffee in **St Anne's Hall**. Many thanks to those who prepare this welcome facility. **More volunteers would be most welcome.**

CLEANERS St Anne's: Grateful thanks for our volunteers. There is now a list of the teams and a date rota displayed in the church porch. Please let Marie or Fr. Bob know if there are any particular issues with this. Many thanks

St Anne's:(SUNDAY CHILDREN'S LITURGY) We may be able to offer this liturgy if there was sufficient interest and support. Please contact me or add your name to the form at the back of Church if you are interested. Full support would be given and maybe a rota could be formed. It would be a valued service. Fr. Bob

St Patrick's: (SUNDAY CHILDREN'S LITURGY) The Children's Liturgy Group is running and much appreciated. Open to children of primary school age and under. If you think you can help come along to a session and see what we do [Those interested in helping please see Fr. Bob]

+BIBLE STUDY: St Anne's parish Bible Study usually meets on a regular **fortnightly** programme, in St Anne's parish hall meeting room from 10 am – 11 am. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 13th June.

Exposition and Holy Hour: There is Exposition and Holy Hour, including opportunity for the sacrament of reconciliation, at St Anne's: From 10:00am until 11:00am. This is offered every Saturday, except the third Saturday of the month, upon which the Mass of Our Lady of Walsingham will be celebrated.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES The New Gift Aid Envelopes [for this new tax year] are ready for your collection at the back of church. If any parishioner has transferred to donating through STANDING ORDER then still please collect your envelope, because it can be used for second collections. If anyone would like to Gift Aid their offering please let Fr Bob or Marie (in the office) know so that the relevant form may be completed. Many thanks to all of you who support our parishes so generously; the material upkeep of the churches is ever increasing.

St Patrick's Eucharistic Minister Rota: St. Patrick's Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: we have re-established the rota, for both Saturday Evening and Sunday Morning. If you are an extraordinary minister and would like to be included in the rota, please contact Angela Russell (07765560153) or Fr Bob; please confirm which weekend mass you would be able to assist at. Also, if you are not yet a Eucharistic minister and may have thought of becoming one, please do give it thought and have a word with Fr. Bob. Full training would be given. Thank you.

LIVING SIMPLY (Update):

Parishioners are invited to purchase Fair traded goods and to buy world gifts from CAFOD <https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk>

- We are hoping to develop a wildflower meadow at the side of St Anne's Church to help support biodiversity. We are inviting parishioners to donate wildflower seeds, plants or peat free compost. If you would like to look at the area, Liz and Ann will be available to show you the area on Sunday after Mass.

CHRISTIAN FOOD HELP: Due to the ever increasing problem of food poverty, nationally and locally within many families, there is a continual need for donations. At the back of each church we have clearly marked boxes for your donations of food items. Please deposit them there so that they can be taken regularly to St Austin's, where the CFH team can arrange for their distribution. Many Thanks.

A BLESSED PENTECOST *This day, ten days after the Ascension, marks the gift of the Holy Spirit, the '50th' day, or Day of Pentecost. We have been drawn into the mystery of our redemption and the re-creation of our broken image into one that images our loving creator. Let us continue to pray that, individually and communally, we are open to the Spirit of love and endless possibility, not just through Eastertide but throughout the enfolding year. We live in exciting times.*

New to the Parish? If you are new to either of the parishes of St Anne or St Patrick you are very welcome. Please let Fr Bob know (on 01785 661012 OR stannestpatrick.stafford@rcaob.org.uk) There are numerous aspects of our parish life that might be of interest to you. We hope that you will feel 'at home' within our parish community.

CHRISTIAN FOOD HELP: Our local co-ordinators, Adam and Clare (St Austin's), send their thanks below:

Dear all,

*Please find in your church porch our monthly information on meals delivered by **Christian Food Help** during the month of May. We thank all volunteers and donors for their help and support, and a special thanks to all those who donated food items to Christian Food Help.* Kind regards, Adam and Clare

SYCAMORE

FOLLOWING ON FROM THE SUCESS OF PART 1 OF OUR SYCAMORE COURSE WE HAVE DECIDED TO CONTINUE WITH PART 2

SYCAMORE IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CHRISTIAN FAITH AND ITS RELEVANCE FOR LIFE TODAY. IT GIVES YOU SPACE TO MEET OTHER PEOPLE, SHARE IDEAS, EXPLORE YOUR BELIEFS, AND THINK ABOUT QUESTIONS THAT REALLY MATTER.

The Bible Timeline® study program takes you on a guided journey through salvation history. Presenter Jeff Cavins will show you how fourteen of the Bible's narrative books tell the biblical story from beginning to end and will give you the keys to understanding the amazing story woven throughout Scripture.

Both the Sycamore course and the Bible Timeline program begin on Monday 12th June in St Austin's Meeting Room and Servers' Sacristy at 7pm. All welcome.

Mathew 28: 19-20 "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."

Diocesan Plan / Three Parishes: All are very welcome to our next meeting at Blessed William Howard Catholic High School on Thursday 27th June at 7.00 p.m. This is a follow up to our recent meeting on 21st April at St. Anne's Parish Hall. At our meeting on the 27th there will be a Presentation on the Faith Life of our Schools and discussion on how we can work and pray together to implement the Diocesan Plan.

