Weekly Newsletter

PENTECOST Sunday 28th May 2023



COME HOLY SPIRIT

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Day	Date	Mass Time	Church	Liturgical Day		Mass Intention
Sat	27^{th}	4:00 pm	St Patrick's	Vigil		LaurineAbayakoonRIP
		6:00 pm	St Anne's	Vigil		Dec O'Dwyer Family
		10:00pm	St Austin's	Praise, Adoration & Worship & Vig	gil Mass	
Sun	28^{th}	9:00am	St Patrick's	The Solemnity of Pentecost		People of the parish
		10:00am	St Anne's			Billy Hutcheson RIP
Mon	29 th	9:30am	St Anne's	Mary Mother of the Church	Memoria	Fr Anthony Davies RIP
Tue	30^{th}	9:30am	St Patrick's		Feria	Celebrant's Intention
Wed	31^{st}	10:00am	St Anne's	Communion Service The Visitation	n Feast	
Thu	1^{st}	9:30am	St Patrick's	Jesus Christ Eternal High Priest	Feast	Mgr.John Heslin RIP
Fri	2 nd	9:15am	St Anne's		Feria	Billy Hutcheson RIP
		3:00pm	St Patrick's	Requiem Mass for Gerard O'Conno	r	
Sat	3^{rd}	10:00am	St Anne's	Exposition, Holy Hour & Confession	1	
		4:00pm	St Patrick's	Vigil		Patty&Tim Tiernan RIP
		6:00pm	St Anne's	Vigil		Intentions of Winifred Meehan
Sun	4 th	9:00am	St Patrick's	The Solemnity of The Most Holy Tr	inity	Eddie Lennon RIP & Patrick&BridieCollins
		10:00am	St Anne's			Eamon Gormley RIP
						Sheila Hird RIP

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] John Mulrooney, Eleanor O'Sullivan, Mary Batkin, Joseph Box, Leslie Foster, Joan Dunlavey, Elizabeth McDonagh, Anthony Finn, Frances Terry, Bridie Collins, Celia Jelfs. [St Anne's] Robert Powell, Ronald Dawson, Mary Bester, Hugh Chadwick, Victor Crawley, John Gillett, Mrs Winifred Meehan, Christopher Nealon, Robert Powell, Terry Walsh, Cynthia Williams, Joan Bulock, Mike O'Leary, Trixie Shelley.

Income 21/05/23	Source	Gift Aid	Non-Gift Aid	Standing Order	Total	Attendance	
St Anne's	Offertory	£68.20	£131.53	£408.25	£607.98	Sat 55	Sun 90
St Patrick's	Offertory	£66.30	£153.02	£152.16	£371.48	Sat 33	Sun 69

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:

Parish Tote 150 Club

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

<u>Gift Aid</u> 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. Very many thanks.

SECOND COLLECTIONS: Last weekend's second collection for Catholic Communications.

St Anne's £251.65 St Patrick's £133.11 Thank You.

FUTURE SECOND COLLECTIONS: weekend 10th/11th June: The Day for Life

weekend 1st/2nd July: Peter's Pence

weekend 8th/9th July: Apostleship of the Sea

OUR DECEASED: Please pray for **Gerard O'Connor**, **of St Patrick's parish**, who died recently. We remember also his family at this time. *May Gerard rest in peace and rise in glory*.

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

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**.

<u>CLEANERS</u> 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]

<u>+BIBLE STUDY:</u> 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 this Tuesday 30th May.**

<u>Exposition and Holy Hour</u>: 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.

<u>GIFT AID ENVELOPES</u> 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 reestablished 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, <u>if you are not yet</u> 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.

<u>A BLESSED PENTECOST</u> 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.

<u>New to the Parish?</u> 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.

