

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 17:5-8

The Lord says this: "A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord. He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited.

"A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord, with the Lord for his hope. He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green; it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 1

Happy the man who has placed his trust in the Lord.

1. Happy indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked; nor lingers in the way of sinners nor sits in the company of scorners, but whose delight is the law of the Lord and who ponders his law day and night.
2. He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, that yields its fruit in due season and whose leaves shall never fade; and all that he does shall prosper.
3. Not so are the wicked, not so! For they like winnowed chaff shall be driven away by the wind. For the Lord guards the way of the just but the way of the wicked leads to doom.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people. But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 6:12,20-26

Jesus came down with the twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said: "How happy are you who are poor; yours is the kingdom of God. Happy are you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied. Happy are you who weep now: you shall laugh.

"Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

"But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall grow hungry.

Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep.

Alas for you when the world speaks well of you!

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St Anthony of Padua

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Blessedness

The beatitudes are not so much about what we do (our actions), but how we do, (our being). They are less about actions and more about relationships. To live the beatitudes is to live a life of reckless, exuberant, self-abandonment to God and our neighbour. That's called love. The only reason we can do that is because we know and trust ourselves to have already been blessed by God.



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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

17th February 2019

Missal: p987

Eucharistic Prayer: 3

DIARY AND MASS INTENTIONS

for the week beginning Saturday 16th February 2019

Sat 6.00pm	<i>St. Anthony</i>	Winifred Cooper	
Sun 9.30am 11.00am	<i>St. Anthony</i> <i>Holy Family</i>	For our parish Talbot family	<i>6th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>Prayer for Racial Justice</i>
Mon 9.15am	<i>Holy Family</i>	For a sick person	
Tue 9.15am	<i>St Anthony</i>	Monica Dziubinska	
Wed 2.00pm	<i>St Anthony</i>	Funeral: Catherine Holmes	
Thur 9.15am	<i>Holy Family</i>	For our parish	
Fri 9.15am 11.45am 6.30-7.30pm	<i>St Anthony</i> <i>St Anthony</i> <i>Holy Family</i>	Margaret Burscough Funeral Service: Francis Smith	<i>Feast: Chair of St. Peter</i> <i>Exposition & Holy Communion</i>
Sat: 6.00pm	<i>St. Anthony</i>	Jim Whiteside	<i>Feast: St. Polycarp</i>
Sun 9.30am 11.00am	<i>St. Anthony</i> <i>Holy Family</i>	Michael & Rose Woods & Michael Woods For dec'd relatives & friends	<i>7th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>

Last Weekend: Offertory £742.90 Attendance: 227 (6.00pm: 107, 9.30am 120)
Thank you for your continued generosity.

Masses received this week:

Michael & Rose Woods & Michael, Monica Dziubinska, Margaret Burscough, Frances Copp, for dec'd relatives & friends, Carol Finley.

Welcome into the family of faith

... Primrose Dorothy Bedford who was baptised in St. Anthony's recently.

Please pray for the following: Joan Anderton, Francis Parkinson, Bill Embery, Judith Holman, Chris Goldsmith, Teresa Clarkson, Theresa Crook, Frances & Les Farrer, Betty Murphy, Marie Gardner, Frank & Norah Stanton and Lawrence Dunnagan;

... for those who have died recently: Maureen Stella Cox, Frances Copp, Francis Smith, Catherine Holmes, Thomas Riding;

... and for those whose anniversaries are around now: Pauline Howard, Jim Whiteside, John Turner, Winifred Cooper, Joe Cassidy and John Calvey.

We keep in our prayers those who have been injured or lost their lives in conflict,

Parish Leadership Group

You'll find some questionnaires in church today. Please take the opportunity to add your thoughts about the work of our Parish. Thanks to the person who submitted a very good list of suggestions, which could well become an Agenda. Its too long to reproduce here but we'll come back to it after the questionnaire. Names suggested for our new building - 'The Meeting Room' - (taking a lead from Moses conversing with God in a tent of Meeting). The Living Stone, the Logos Centre, the Omega Centre and more. Any more suggestions?

"Genesis to Jesus"

- a Lent course giving an opportunity to deepen knowledge of the Bible. You can follow the free 6 week course in your own time or join a small group each Thursday evening to watch the videos together. More details next week, or contact Jackie Stopyra on jackie.stopyra@gmail.com or 07934 667292. Sign up for the course at the St Paul Center, USA - <https://stpaulcenter.com/>.

Friendship Group

Next meeting is on Tuesday, 19th February at 2pm in the presbytery.

Taize evening next Sunday 24th February

30 minutes of quiet time, prayer and reflection in Holy Family Church, starting at 6.00, followed by soup and a roll for those who want to join us in the Pastoral Centre afterwards. All are welcome.

"Is leadership too important to be left to leaders?"

Jesuit Missions welcomes Fr Xavier Jeyaraj SJ, to Xaverian Mission Spirituality Centre (Tabor) on Tuesday 26th February at 19:30 to speak about how we can respond to the challenges of social justice, Care of Creation and leadership from an Ignatian perspective. Free event, all welcome.

Winckley Square Convent Old Girls Reunion.

On Saturday 2nd March 1pm until 4pm. at Our Lady and St. Edward's Parish Centre, Marlborough Drive Fulwood Preston PR2 9UE.

Rwanda Group Trust

Can you spare 3 hours a week (or more)? The RGT in Preston urgently needs helpers for its charity shop in the city centre. You will be working in a supportive team raising money for the education, health, food and shelter of the very poorest communities in Rwanda. No experience necessary. Contact: Veronica Sanders (07715077630)

Castlerigg Youth Centre News

We've got lots going on this year. Please spread the word!

Lourdes is a great opportunity for our young people to spend time away with others and discover in a new way the joy of faith. For so many, this has been the pilgrimage that has changed their lives. For young people (aged 15+, year 10 and above), to book with us. We are also looking for adult leaders to come with us for Lourdes. For adults coming with the youth section, the price is £420. To find out more please get in touch.

FLAME 2nd March We've booked coaches to travel to Wembley and we have tickets for the largest gathering of young Catholics in the country. And amazing day to encourage our young people in their faith, £45 for travel and admission, there and back in the day. We're hoping to get groups from all of our diocesan high-schools