

# Holy Week

\* at St. Anthony's



## Good Friday

**11.00am: Stations of the Cross**

**3.00pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion**

- solemn reading of the Passion
- veneration of the cross & holy communion

## Holy Saturday

**8.00pm: The Easter Vigil**

- lighting the paschal candle
- proclamation of the Exultet
- baptismal liturgy

## Easter Sunday

9.30am Mass of Resurrection

\* at Holy Family

## Maundy Thursday

7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

## Good Friday

**3.00pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion**

- solemn reading of the Passion
- veneration of the cross & holy communion

## Holy Saturday

**1pm: "Swieconka" – Polish Blessing of the Baskets. All are welcome**

## Easter Sunday

11.00am Mass of Resurrection



# St Anthony of Padua

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**Priest:** Fr. Peter Draper, Fr. John Moriarty (Tel: 725193)

**Deacons:** Rev. Tom Butler; Rev. John Kilshaw (718258)

**Sunday Masses:** 6.00 (Vigil - Saturday Evening) 9.30am (Sunday Morning), 5.00pm.

**Weekday Mass:** Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri: 9.15am. (Thurs 9.15am at Holy Family)

**Confessions:** on request

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## *Betwixt and Between*

During Holy Week, the liturgy invites us to surrender to the mystery of the cross 'which teaches us that the price we pay for holding together the contradictions within ourselves, others and the world is always some form of crucifixion.' [1] We begin Palm Sunday by joining the jubilant crowds as they welcome Jesus as their Messiah with joyful cries of 'Hosanna'. In contrast, in the same liturgical ceremony, we are reminded that the way of the palms will lead to the way of the passion. The liturgy of Holy Thursday and Good Friday leave us in no doubt that 'Love is His meaning'[2] When we kneel at the foot of the cross 'Jesus teaches us how to stand against hate without becoming hate, how to oppose evil without becoming evil.' [1]

And Holy Saturday? In the days when Midnight Mass was celebrated at midnight, there was no liturgical ceremony on Holy Saturday. However, this is the day when our experience of the cross is 'holding the tension between one space and another. This is called liminal space. (The Latin root limen literally means threshold.) It is in these transitional moments of our lives that authentic transformation can happen.' [1] 'Holy Saturday is the ultimate liminal space'. [3] 'What are we to do at such a threshold moment? The ancient Celtic tradition provides a simple response: in moments of transition, we are simply to be. We are to pause and acknowledge that a transition is taking place.' [4] 'In liminal space we sometimes need to not-do and not-perform according to our usual successful patterns.' [1]

'A threshold is the moment of liminal space between that which once was and what is to come. When we cling tightly to our past experiences, we fail to recognise what is. Once we have outgrown our version of reality, we see a world that is vastly bigger than we imagined. Nostalgia can be a gift when we cultivate gratitude for the path we have walked. However, memories can deceive us if we believe that revisiting what once nourished us will sustain us moving forward.' [4]

'Liminal space is a place in between what we were and what we are becoming. It is like a chrysalis for humans.' [5] 'How does one become a butterfly? You must want to fly so much that you are willing to give up being a caterpillar.' [6]

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# DIARY AND MASS INTENTIONS

for the week beginning Saturday 28th March 2021

Sat 6.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i>	For our parish	
Sun 9.30am 11.00am 5.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i> <i>H.Family</i> <i>St. Ant</i>	Clare Wilson Martin Banks Private Intention	<i>Palm Sunday</i>
Mon 9.15am	<i>St. Ant</i>	Martin Gallagher	
Tue 1.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i>	Funeral Mass: Joseph Madden	
Wed 9.15am	<i>St. Ant</i>	Kevin Murphy	
Thur 7.30am	<i>H.Family</i>	Evelyne Bamber	
Fri 11.00am 3.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i> <i>both</i>		<i>Stations of the Cross. In church Celebration of the Lord's Passion</i>
Sat 8.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i>	Gerard Knight	
Sun 9.30am 11.00am 5.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i> <i>H.Family</i> <i>St. Ant</i>	Mollie Walmsley Private Intention For our parish	<i>EASTER SUNDAY</i>

**Last Weekend:** Attendance: 133 (55, 40, 38) Offertory: £554.30.  
Thank you for your generosity.

**Masses received this week:** Marie & Tom Hooper, Mary Lawler, Gerard Knight.

## BIDDING PRAYER INTENTIONS

We pray for the Church; that we may learn the true meaning of being the Body of Christ, and that, as we stand at the foot of the cross, may we also learn what it means to love with perseverance and devotion even in the most punishing and challenging times.

We pray for the leaders of the world, that they be inspired to promote the common good, justice, peace, love and unity in the world.

As signs emerge that the coronavirus pandemic is being brought under control, we pray that all of us will respond to the lifting of lockdowns and other restrictions with prudence and restraint and that people will conduct their lives with awareness and consideration of the needs and difficulties of those around them, especially the most vulnerable.

We ask Our Lord to bring healing to Joan Green, Bill Embery, Lawrence Dunnagan, Jo Counsell, Carole Adnitt, John Myerscough, Alice Myerscough, Les Farrer, Chris Goldsmith, Frank Stanton, Marie Gardner, Theresa Wilkinson, Deacon John Kilshaw;

**those who have died recently:** Joan Bleakley, Margaret Rawcliffe, Brucie Grace, Joseph Madden, Elizabeth Mary Murphy;

**and those whose anniversaries occur around this time:** Mary Bamber, Margaret Langtree, Harry Daggars, Joe Rogers, Frank Clarkson, Rose Salter, Anne & Bert Keane, Dorothy Pickles, Frances Dewhurst, Wladyslaw Stopyra, Thomas Hooper, Albert Butler, Michael Atkinson, Melvyn Evans. May they rest in peace.

## Stations of the Cross.

Presented by members of the parish on Zoom every Friday. 'Doors open' at 5.45. Prayers starts 6.00pm prompt. Meeting ID: 860 7625 5774 Passcode: 068559

## Holy Week & Easter

We have now received guidance from the Bishop's Conference regarding the celebration of Holy Week and Easter. We are planning the same Services at the same time and in the same places as in previous years. i.e. Maundy Thursday at 7.00pm at Holy Family; Good Friday 3pm in both churches. Easter Vigil at 8.00pm at St. Anthony's. However there are some restrictions.

On Palm Sunday there will be no procession. Palms will be blessed during Mass, but only given out as you leave church after Mass.

On Maundy Thursday the Washing of Feet will be omitted and only the priest goes to the altar of repose at the end of Mass. There will then be a very short period of prayer for all, but no extended 'Watching' after Mass for private prayer.

On Good Friday 3.00pm – we can't have individual veneration of the Cross – but all can genuflect together in our benches after the third and final 'unveiling'.

At the Easter Vigil we can't have the fire or procession: the paschal candle will be lit at the start of the vigil. The font will be blessed and there will be the Renewal of Baptismal Promises, but no sprinkling of the people.

## Livestreaming Mass

As well as normal Mass in church we now livestream the 9.30am Sunday Mass from St. Anthony's church. Go to the St. Anthony of Padua YouTube page for the link.

## Virtual Coffee Morning

Join your fellow parishioners at the Zoom Coffee Morning at 11.00 am this Sunday  
Meeting ID: 898 4267 4110 Passcode: 229935

## Offertory envelopes and Gift Aid

Its that time of the year again when we are making out new sets of Offertory envelopes. Please let us know if you have changed address during the past year, or if you don't currently have envelopes and would like some. Put your name and address in the Offertory basket. If you want to start giving by Standing Order please pick up details from the porch. Thank you.

## Virtual Pilgrimage to Jerusalem

Thank you from Fr John and Metanoia Project for your generosity in supporting their virtual pilgrimage to Jerusalem. The team have now completed the 3,266 mile to Jerusalem since the beginning of Lent, and raised over £5,000 to support Metanoia Project's work in Preston. Our parishioners contributed just over £500. Take a look at <http://metanoiaproject.co.uk/> to find out how the money is spent.

## Readers at Mass

Several of our Readers are isolating or not yet back at Mass so we need a few more to supplement the current Readers. Would you consider Reading the Scriptures at Mass? Holy Week and Easter always calls for more Readers too. Have a word with Karen Hardman (01772 464110) or one of the priests. Thank you.

## Mass Cards and Easter cards

The Repository at the back of church has been closed since the beginning of lockdown almost a year ago. However we now have a selection of Mass cards and Easter cards.