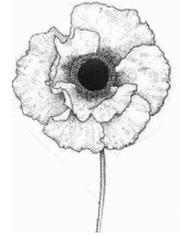


# St Anthony of Padua



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

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

**Confessions:** on request

**Annexe:** 725544

**Social Centre:** 735963

**Primary school:** 726621

**Playgroup/Preschool** 07963 700591

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## *Creating a new environment*

'Mark 13, along with parallel Gospel passages, is a primary example of apocalyptic literature which uses hyperbolic images, as we see in today's gospel. While we primarily use the word "apocalypse" to mean to destroy or threaten, in its original context apocalypse simply means to reveal something new. *Kaluptein* is the Greek word for 'to cover' and *apo* means 'un', so *apokaluptein* means to uncover or unveil. The key is that in order to reveal something new, we have to get the old out of the way.

Neale Donald Walsch says: 'Yearning for a new way will not produce it. Only ending the old way can do that. We cannot hold onto the old all the while declaring that we want something new. There is only one way to bring in the new. We must make room for it by clearing out the old—old ideas, old stories, old priorities, old ways of thinking—especially if we've become overly attached to them.' That's what apocalyptic literature does. It helps us make room for something new. Apocalyptic literature is not meant to strike fear in us about the end of the world, but to encourage in us a radical rethinking of the worlds that we have created.' [1]

Inevitably the letting-go process is accompanied by what we would describe as the painful experience of emptiness, a vacuum. "There is no such thing, either in the world or in the heart, as a literal vacancy, as a vacuum. And whatever space is really left by death, by renunciation, by parting, by apparent emptiness, there is God." [2]

As we approach the end of the liturgical year we are invited to reflect on the truth that in the worlds we have created nothing lasts forever. 'Everything changes and nothing remains the same. The only thing that doesn't change is change itself.' [1] The current climate change conference is a stark reminder of this. Today's gospel invites us to uncover the veil created by our inner pollution, to find ways to re-create a new inner environment which will enable us to touch upon that which lasts forever. And in those moments when we do find eternity we may have a déjà vu experience as we realise that what we have discovered is not new. It is an experience of remembrance: we are remembering who we are in God.

*Adapted: [1] Richard Rohr [2] Karl Rahner*

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# DIARY AND MASS INTENTIONS

## for the week beginning Saturday 13th November 2021

Sat 6.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i>	Holy Souls	
Sun 9.30am 11.00am 5.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i> <i>H. Family</i> <i>St. Ant</i>	Robert Fletcher Special Intention For our parish	<i>33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>Remembrance Sunday</i>
Mon 9.15am	<i>St. Ant</i>	Patricia & Robbie Hasson	<i>Feast: St. Albert the Great</i>
Tue	<i>St. Ant</i>	NO MASS - see opposite	<i>Feast: St. Edmund of Abingdon</i>
Wed 9.15am	<i>St. Ant</i>	Martha Mangine	<i>Feast: St. Hilda of Whitby</i>
Thur 9.15am	<i>H. Family</i>	Special Intention	
Fri 9.15am 11.00am 6.30-7.30pm	<i>St. Ant</i> <i>St. Ant</i> <i>H. Family</i>	David Hardman Funeral Service: David Hardman	<i>Exposition &amp; Holy Communion</i>
Sat 6.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i>	Dec relatives & friends Whelan family	
Sun 9.30am 11.00am 5.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i> <i>H. Family</i> <i>St. Ant</i>	Chris Burscough Kevin Patrick O'Kane For our parish	<i>Christ the King</i>

**Last Weekend:** Offertory £572.88. Attendance 178 (6pm 51, 9.30 85, 5.00 42)  
Thank you for your generosity.

**Masses received this week:** David Hardman, Martha Mangine, Kevin Patrick O'Kane, dec members Whelan family, dec. members Russell family, Pat Lynch, Kenneth Greig, Tony Swarbrick.

**Children's Liturgy:** On the first Sundays of the month at 9.30am Mass.

**Welcome into the family of faith:** Beatrice Peacock who was baptised in St. Anthony's last Sunday.

### PRAYER INTENTIONS

We pray for those who suffer long-term disability and illness that they may find support and joy in family, friends and neighbours, especially Julie Mary Butler (Machin), Deacon John Kilshaw, Deacon Tom Butler, Jo Counsell, Alice Myerscough, Chris Goldsmith, Theresa Wilkinson, Lawrence Dunnagan, Carole Adnitt, Bill Embery, May Rigby, Frank Stanton, Les Farrer. May God bring them health and strengthen their faith.

Let us pray for the souls of those recently departed this life, in particular David Hardman, Veronica Judge and Audrey Ryding;

and those whose anniversaries fall about this time: Julie Butler, Joseph Etherington. Keith Yates, Eva Cookson, Stephen Slater, Lilly Morrison, Kathleen Cummins, Elizabeth Clune, Alfred Kenneth Craven, Sean Finn, Thomas McTigue, Mary Balshaw, Sylvia Wilcock Taylor, Christopher Burscough, Francis Farr. May they rest in peace.

### Today is Remembrance Sunday

- a day to remember and honour those who have sacrificed themselves to secure and protect our freedom. During November, the Church invites us to remember those who have nurtured us in body and spirit, our loved ones who have gone before us, our teachers and guides who have encouraged us and enabled us to be where we are today.

### DEANERY MASS for Deceased Clergy

The annual Deanery Mass for Deceased Clergy will be on Tuesday at St. Clare's at 10.00am There will be no Mass in St. Anthony's that day.

### St. Vincent de Paul (SVP) Monthly meeting

- on Wednesday 24th November at 2pm in the Padua Room.

### CAFOD virtual meeting with MP Ben Wallace

Our M.P. has not been able to give us a date so with the Climate Conference Cop26 ending regrettably this proposed meeting will not now take place.

### Fair Trade Stall

Sales, last week, amounted to £51.60, with a card order of £21.45 and £8.07 donations for CAFOD. Rwanda Group Trust cards made £26.50. Many thanks to all who looked in.

### Stuck for Christmas presents?

There are copies of the CAFOD 'World Gifts' catalogue at the back of church.

### Parents of children applying for a place in St. Anthony's Primary school

Closing Date: 15th January 2022. Apply online: [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools). If child is baptised a Catholic, then please complete a Supplementary Form available from school.

### Becoming A Catholic

The lockdown put a stop to many things including Church activities and practise. Things are gradually getting back to normal so maybe this is a good time to offer preparation for anyone who wants to know more about how to become a Catholic. We have a couple of people enquiring at the moment. Does anyone else want to have a word about this? See Fr. Peter.

### Choral Director - Diocese of Lancaster. Vacancy

Our Diocese is seeking a Choral Director who can play a pivotal role in this bold and exciting new venture, engaging children and young people across the Diocese and enabling evangelisation through music in schools. The Choral Director will lead high quality weekly choral singing sessions in schools, conducting choirs and helping to shape the ministry of music throughout the Diocese. For more information and receive a full information pack and details about how to apply please email: [head@st-clares.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:head@st-clares.lancs.sch.uk)

### St. Anthony's Afternoon Tea

- with entertainment from Preston musical comedy show choir. TODAY 2-4 pm at St Anthony's Social Centre. Contact Tess on 01772 774554 or [mtpollard24@gmail.com](mailto:mtpollard24@gmail.com). Please advise Tess if you have any food allergies. There will be a raffle in support of St Catherine's Hospice.

### Coffee Mornings - after 9.30am Mass on Sundays.

**Virtual Coffee Morning** on zoom on Sundays at 11.00am. Access codes: 879 1587 6429 Passcode 766018

### Christmas Carols Service

Our annual Christmas Carol service is on Sunday 12th December at 2pm, COVID-19 rules permitting, followed by refreshments, a raffle and a Christmas sing along led by the 'Lost and Found' community choir in the Parish Centre.