# St Anthony's and St Mark's 7<sup>th</sup> June 2020 – Trinity Sunday

Exodus 34:4-6,8-9

Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion

Daniel 3:52-56

To you glory and praise for evermore

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit

John 3:16-18

God sent his Son so that through him the world might be saved

#### Sick

Baby Emma Burnett, Robert Blair, Frank Daly, Jeanette Henderson, David Richards

# **Recently Dead**

Isabel McLaughlin, Betty Glenn (private funeral Monday), Sean O'Neil, Kevin Burns, Mary Gardner

# **Anniversaries**

Josephine McNeil, Lewis Stewart, Walter Bolzan, Joe and Jane McGreehin, Joe, Fred and Jean McGreehin, Marea and Sr Gertrude McGreehin, Mary Wylie

# **Month's Mind**

**Margaret Day** 

# **Reflection on the Readings**

The liturgy is no place for trying to understand the Trinity: it is where we celebrate in the presence of God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The Mystery of One God, Three Persons, is outined beautifully in Jesus' words to Nicodemus: "God sent his Son into the world...so that the world might be saved". We begin and end today's and every day's liturgy in the name of God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

#### **Mass Times**

From Monday the online service times will change to reflect a bit more closely the usual times:

Monday: 10am – Mass Tuesday: 10am – Rosary

7pm – Mass and Novena

Wed-Fri: 10am – Mass Saturday: 10am – Rosary

5pm - Mass

Sunday: 11.30am – Mass

#### **Feast of St Anthony**

Saturday is the Feast of St Anthony. Because of this, instead of the Rosary we will have **Mass in honour of St Anthony at 10am**. 100 lilies have been ordered and will be blessed. I will sit outside St Anthony's on Saturday from 11am-12noon so anyone who wishes can collect a lily. Please only take one per household. If you know of a vulnerable person who would like a lily then you can take one for them too. If you wish to make a donation you can. If anyone brings their only lilies then I will bless them between 11 and 12.

# **Camglen Radio**

Our local radio station is broadcasting a weekly hour of worship on a Sunday at 3pm. This may be particularly welcome to those who don't have access to the internet so pass it on. The frequency is 107.9FM.

#### **Prayer Intentions**

These can be given in to the church by phoning St Mark's house or by email.

# **Children's Rosary**

If you missed the children praying the Rosary you can find it in our YouTube page.

#### **Novena to St Anthony**

The novena continues to be prayed every Tuesday evening after Mass.

#### **Parish Contributions**

Until now, I have not encouraged you to make your weekly donation to the church, although some have continued to do so. I am still aware that some people might be struggling financially so you should not give anything to the church if this is a burden.

However, as we look to open the churches again at some point, we do have to consider the financial cost. As the well as the day-to-day running there will be further costs connected to:

- handwashing, regular disinfecting etc;
- also, there was a certain outlay to pay for equipment to stream Masses from St Mark's: in the long-term this will continue, and we will also look at doing the same from St Anthony's, and this will have cost implications;
- and I also intend to have large TV screens in each church that will (among other things) remove the need for hymn books etc.

I am therefore inviting you (if you can) to make your weekly offering online or place it through the door of the church in St Mark's. Details of how to pay online can be found on the webpage. If you are dropping money at St Mark's please ring the bell: it would be nice to have a distanced chat! Mgr. O'Hare is being shielded in St Anthony's so no-one there should answer the door. You can also save it up for when the churches reopen.

# Please let me emphasise: if this were to put you under a burden then do not make an offering!

#### **Re-Opening of Churches**

We do not yet know when this will happen or exactly how, but it is time to start thinking about what will need to be done. Below are some thoughts of mine to get you thinking.

Firstly, please do not assume we know things you do not! I do not know when churches will open beyond what you see in the news. There are tentative moves to see how we can open up and what must be in place, but nothing definite yet.

#### **Capacity of Churches**

With everyone 2 metres apart that means we can only use every 3<sup>rd</sup> pew. This would allow:

- 56 in St Anthony's
- 50 in St Mark's

With every 3<sup>rd</sup> pew filled (assuming family groups) we could stretch to:

- 190 in St Anthony's
- 120 in St Mark's

But bear in mind that pews in St Anthony's can take around 14 people so it is unlikely they could be filled.

#### **Private Praver**

For this we would need volunteers to open the churches, steward them and disinfect them.

#### Services

For this people would possibly have to "book" their place in advance so that there are not too many. We need to think how this can be done and someone needs to coordinate it. It cannot only be done through the internet as this disadvantages some.

We would also need volunteers to steward and disinfect the churches.

So again we have to think about how to do this.

#### You can register to volunteer on our webpage:

https://www.stanthonystmark.org.uk/help-reopen-our-churches/

#### Hands-free

I intend having TV screens fitted in both churches that will allow words for hymns etc to be displayed. This will be straightforward in St Anthony's so I will press ahead with is. The shape of St Mark's makes it a little more complicated so that will need more thought.

#### Streaming of Masses

This will continue from St Mark's for some time. In fact, I would like to continue it in perpetuity. I would then also look at setting up the same thing in St Anthony's. There are some people who will not be able to attend a service for some time so we should keep this going.

These are just some thoughts and I am sure that they will set off others in your heads. So please come back with your own ideas.

# **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

# **Prayer of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe you are present in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.

Since I cannot receive you Sacramentally now,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

As though you were already there,
I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you;
permit not that I should ever be separated from you.

Amen.

#### **HYMNS FOR MASS**

# **Opening Hymn**

Holy God, we praise thy name; Lord of all, we bow before thee! All on earth thy sceptre own, All in heaven above adore thee. Infinite thy vast domain, Everlasting is thy reign.

Hark! the loud celestial hymn, Angel choirs above are raising; Cherubim and seraphim, In unceasing chorus praising, Fill the heavens with sweet accord, Holy, holy, holy, Lord.

Holy Father, holy Son, Holy Spirit, Three we name Thee, While in essence only one, Undivided God we claim thee; And adoring bend the knee, While we own the mystery.

#### **Psalm**

Blest are they, the poor in spirit, Theirs is the kingdom of God. Blest are they, full of sorrow, They shall be consoled.

Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you! Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

Blest are they the lowly ones. They shall inherit the earth. Blest are they who hunger and thirst, They shall have their fill.

Blest are they who show mercy, Mercy shall be theirs. Blest are they, the pure of heart, They shall see God!

Blest are they who seek peace; They are the children of God. Blest are they who suffer in faith, The glory of God is theirs.

Blest are they who suffer hate, All because of me. Rejoice and be glad, yours is the kingdom; Shine for all to see.

#### Communion

Seed, scattered and sown,
Wheat, gathered and grown,
Bread, broken and shared as one,
The Living bread of God.
Vine, fruit of the land, wine,
Work of our hands, one cup that is
Shared by all; the Living Cup,
The Living Bread of God.

Is not the bread we break, A sharing in our Lord? Is not the cup we bless, The blood of Christ outpoured?

The seed which falls on rock Will wither and will die, The seed within good ground Will flower and have life.

As wheat upon the hills Was gathered and was grown, So may the Church of God Be gathered into one

#### **Final Hymn**

Lord, the light of your love is shining In the midst of the darkness, shining Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us Set us free by the truth you now bring us Shine on me, shine on me

Shine, Jesus, shine
Fill this land with the Father's glory
Blaze, Spirit, blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow
Flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth your word
Lord, and let there be light

Lord, I come to your awesome presence From the shadows into your radiance By the blood I may enter your brightness Search me, try me, consume all my darkness Shine on me, shine on me

As we gaze on your kingly brightness So our faces display your likeness Ever changing from glory to glory Mirrored here may our lives tell your story Shine on me, shine on me

# POPE FRANCIS' PRAYERS TO OUR BLESSED LADY First Prayer:

O Mary, You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith.

"Protectress of the Roman people", you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.

## **Second Prayer:**

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection.

Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment.

Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Plead with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.

Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health.

Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests who, in their pastoral concern and fidelity to the Gospel, are trying to help and support everyone.

Blessed Virgin, illumine the minds of men and women engaged in scientific research, that they may find effective solutions to overcome this virus.

Support national leaders, that with wisdom, solicitude and generosity they may come to the aid of those lacking the basic necessities of life and may devise social and economic solutions inspired by farsightedness and solidarity.

Mary Most Holy, stir our consciences, so that the enormous funds invested in developing and stockpiling arms will instead be spent on promoting effective research on how to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future.

Beloved Mother, help us realize that we are all members of one great family and to recognize the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer.

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course.

To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary.

Amen.

# Online Masses (Youtube Channel CatholicG73)

Saturday 5pm Sunday 11.30am

Monday 10am Tues 7pm (with Novena to St Anthony) Wed-Fri 10am

# **Online Rosary**

Tues & Sat 10am

# **Online Addresses**

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