<u>St Anthony's and St Mark's</u> <u>14th Sunday – Year A</u>

Zechariah 9:9-10

See now, your king comes humbly **Psalm 144** I will bless your name for ever, O God my King **Romans 8:9,11-13** If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body, you will live **Matthew 11:25-30** You have hidden these things from the wise and revealed them to mere children

<u>Sick</u>

Baby Emma Burnett, Robert Blair, Jeanette Henderson, Thomas McKell, Tommy O'Hare, John Hughes, John McFarlane, Jon Land

Recently Dead

Kathleen Connor (funeral online Wednesday 9.30am), Susan Docherty, Johnny Logue

<u>Anniversaries</u>

Mary McLaughlin, Joe and Anthony Doris, Nicol Burke

Reflection on the Readings

The first part of this text is also found in Luke. The second part is unique to Matthew. What comforting words! 'Come to me all you who labour and are overburdened and I will give you rest'. The background may lie in Matthew's desire to boost the confidence of a community of Jewish converts to Christianity who have suffered horrendously at the hands of the leadership of their former community. By contrast, Jesus' yoke is easy; his burden light.

Prayer Intentions

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

Novena to St Anthony

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

<u>Fr McLean – Jubilee</u>

Fr McLean asked that he could express his thanks to so many of you who wished him well, and offered him prayers and gifts for his Golden Jubilee. He was very grateful and looks forward to being able to celebrate Mass with us all some time in the future.

Online Masses – St Anthony's

This weekend's Masses will be streamed from St Anthony's. Fr Parkes has done a great job of setting that up, so we can now alternate our weekend Masses between churches.

Weekday Masses

Please note that there will be no online Mass on Mondays. You've all become very good at travelling the world for Mass, so that can be your day for taking an online wander!

<u> Funeral Mass – Kathleen Connor</u>

This will be on Wednesday at 9.30am in St Mark's. Attendance is strictly limited to those who have been directly invited by Kathleen's family. (This is in line with government guidelines) The Mass will be streamed online and there will be no 10am Mass that day.

TV Screens – St Anthony's

Now these have been fitted, we will be able to have Mass (when that is permitted) without hymn books, missalettes etc. You will get used to them very quickly. They will be fitted soon in St Mark's.

<u>Re-Opening of Churches</u>

Thank you to all our volunteers who helped Sunday's opening go so smoothly. Over 100 people were able to come for private prayer. There is plenty room, and at no point was there a queue. Because it is spread over 6 hours there is ample opportunity for people. We can now add in weekday openings, so we will be open as follows:

Sundays from:

8-11am: St Anthony's 1-4pm: St Marks's

Wednesdays from:

11am-12noon: St Anthony's 6-7pm: St Anthony's

Thursdays from:

11am-12noon: St Mark's 6-7pm: St Mark's

When you come you must wear a face-covering and sanitise your hands. Someone will direct you to a seat and you must take account of all their instructions. We will keep things as simple as possible, but it will involve baby steps so be patient!

Follow the link to a short video showing you what to expect: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JA1RjI2cExk</u>

The Bishops of Scotland recently published a number of documents regarding the re-opening of churches. To read them go to <u>https://www.bcos.org.uk/COVID19/tabid/127/Default.aspx</u>

Volunteers

Thank you to those of you who have volunteered. That makes a good start. I am encouraging you all please to sign up. Go to the website and fill in the short form. If we don't have the volunteers then the churches will have to stay closed. <u>https://www.stanthonystmark.org.uk/help-reopen-our-churches/</u>

Volunteers Info

When you volunteered, you would have received an acknowledgement from the email address: <u>admin@stanthonystmark.org.uk</u>. Please use this for any correspondence. Fr Dougan is not dealing with the rota etc. so there is no guarantee he will pass on info. So, if this email address is used as the sole point of contact then that would be best. Thank you to Elizabeth who is running this.

The parish email address can be used for all other correspondence.

Parish Contributions

There are now two ways to make an offering online. The first is as given on the parish website. There is also an easier way via the Diocesan website:

- 1. Go to: <u>https://www.mygivinghub.com/detailed/donate?charity_id=1086524</u>
- 2. In "search" type in either St Mark or St Anthony and it will take you to the payment page
- 3. Follow the instructions

The same page also allows you to make to donations to things like Peter's Pence.

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

Online Masses (Youtube Channel CatholicG73 and on Facebook)

Saturday 5pm Sunday 11.30am

Tues 7pm (with Novena to St Anthony) Wed-Fri 10am <u>Online Rosary</u> Tues & Sat 10am

Online Addresses

Facebook: <u>@stanthonyandmarkrutherglen</u> Twitter: <u>@AnthonysandSt</u> Website: <u>https://www.stanthonystmark.org.uk/</u> Email: <u>stanthonystmark@rcdom.org.uk</u> YouTube: CatholicG73 <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpz_3QFuQegEegvke9UtDtw</u>

Other Resources

https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html https://www.rcdom.org.uk/ https://www.universalis.com/ https://camglenradio.org/ (107.9FM.)

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

Do not be afraid, For I have redeemed you. I have called you by your name; You are mine.

When you walk through the waters I'll be with you, You will never have to sink beneath the waves.

When the fire is burning all around you, You will never be consumed by the flames.

When the fear of loneliness is looming, Then remember I am at your side.

<u>Psalm</u>

Because the Lord is my shepherd, I have everything I need. He lets me rest in the meadow and leads me to the quiet streams. He restores my soul and he leads me in the paths that are right:

Lord, you are my shepherd, you are my friend. I want to follow always, just to follow my friend.

And when the road leads to darkness, I shall walk there unafraid. Even when death is close I have courage, for your help is there. You are close beside me with concert, you are guiding my way:

In love you make me a banquet for my enemies to see. You make me welcome, pouring down honour from your Mighty hand; and this Joy fills me with gladness, it is too much to bear:

Your goodness always is with me and your mercy I know. Your loving and kindness strengthens me always as I go through life. I shall dwell in your presence forever, giving praises to your name:

Communion

I will come to you in the silence I will lift you from all your fear You will hear My voice I claim you as My choice Be still, and know I am near

I am hope for all who are hopeless I am eyes for all who long to see In the shadows of the night, I will be your light Come and rest in Me

Do not be afraid, I am with you I have called you each by name Come and follow Me I will bring you home I love you and you are mine

I am strength for all the despairing Healing for the ones who dwell in shame All the blind will see, the lame will all run free And all will know My name

I am the Word that leads all to freedom I am the peace the world cannot give I will call your name, embracing all your pain Stand up, now, walk, and live

<u>Final Hymn</u>

Sing to the mountains, sing to the sea. Raise your voices, lift your hearts. This is the day the Lord has made. Let all the earth rejoice.

I will give thanks to you, my Lord. You have answered my plea. You have saved my soul from death. You are my strength and my song.

Holy, holy, holy Lord. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

This is the day the Lord has made. Let us be glad and rejoice. He has turned all death to life. Sing of the glory of God.

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