# St Anthony's and St Mark's 18<sup>th</sup> April 2021 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15,17-19

God raised him from the dead

Psalm 4

Lift up the light of your face on us O Lord

1 John 2:1-5

Jesus is the sacrifice that takes our sins away

Luke 24:35-48

You are witnesses to this

#### **Sick**

Baby Emma Burnett, Robert Blair, Thomas McKell, Jon Land, Margaret Harris, Tommy McKenzie, Moira Boyce, Baby Harris Little, Mary Husband, Chris Wetson, Anne Robertson, David Currie, Henry McPhee, Willie McIntosh, Lynsey Alexander, Helen Carroll, James Shields

#### **Recently Dead**

Maisie Linstrum, Betty Robertson, Liz Gray, Michael Smith (funeral Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Crematorium only), Archie Cameron, Peter Sweeney, Joan Wynn

#### **Anniversaries**

Olive MacConnell, Jim McCarry, Anne Brown, Eddie Roney

# **Reflection on the Readings**

In the Gospel, the risen Jesus appears, shows his wounds, eats fish and 'opens their minds to understand the scriptures.' Similarly, in Acts, Peter addresses his hearers by appealing to the ancient scriptures, inviting them (and us today) to repent from ignorance of God's living word in the Old Testament.

#### **Online Children's Mass**

We will continue with the children's Mass. However, this will be at the earlier time of 9am and will be celebrated without a congregation present. The next one will be this Sunday.

#### **SCIAF**

Please hand in monies for SCIAF as soon as possible. Alternatively, you can make a donation directly.

#### **Reflections at the Quay**

FYI I will be appearing on Reflections this Sunday at 11am on BBC One.

#### **Numbers at Mass**

We have been informed that from 26<sup>th</sup> April, the numbers at Mass can increase a little. The capacity is to reflect how many can sit in the churches socially distanced. In theory, this means that St Mark's could take 84, and St Anthony's 92. However, in practice it is a little more complicated: it would require the exact combination of households fitting in to the 1s, 2s, 3s, 5s and 6s that the pews are divided into. So what we will probably do is increase the booking capacity to 60. You would then be encouraged to register on the waiting list on Eventbrite. If seats are still available after the 60 are taken, you would be informed by email that you have a place. It will be a little bit complicated, so I will discuss it at the next two weekends. The increase will effectively take place on the 1st weekend in May.

#### **An Appeal to Weekday Mass Attenders**

If those arriving first were to take seats at the front of the church, then it would be easier to see which seats are available as the church fills up!

# To Those Still Nervous About Coming to Church

There is still no obligation to attend Mass, so no one should feel unduly pressured to do so. However, if it helps, I would be happy to arrange for people to come and have a look at the set-up in the churches when no one else is there. Phone the house at St Mark's if you are interested.

# Next Week's Readings 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

#### Acts 4:8-12

The name of Jesus Christ is the only name in which we can be saved

Psalm 117

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone

1 John 3:1-2

We shall be like God because we shall see him as he really is

John 10:11-18

The good shepherd is the one who lays down his life for his sheep

# **Re-opening for Mass**

The restrictions for Sunday Masses are as follows:

- No more than 50 people per Mass
- The contact details of all those attending must be retained by the parish (in order to contact people in the event of an outbreak)
  - Face coverings, sanitising and social distancing still apply
    - There must be no singing (not even the priest!)

We therefore are going to continue to apply a booking system for Mass. The obvious drawback is that not everyone has the internet. It is therefore *up to you* to support relatives and fellow parishioners in doing this.

For those who do not have access to the internet, they can telephone 07746 221205

Masses will be at the usual times **(Sat 5pm, Sun 10am, 11.30am & 5pm).**If a Mass fills up, you can try for another.

To book a Mass go to: https://stanthonystmarkmass.eventbrite.co.uk

There will be no need to book for ordinary weekdays:

St Anthony's – Tues 7pm and Thurs 10am St Mark's – Wed 10am and Fri 10am

#### **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: <a href="https://www.mygivinghub.com/detailed/donate?charity\_id=1086524">https://www.mygivinghub.com/detailed/donate?charity\_id=1086524</a>
- 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)

Saturday 5pm Sunday 10am and 11.30am

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

#### **Online Rosary**

Sat 10am

#### **Online Addresses**

Facebook: @stanthonyandmarkrutherglen

Twitter: @AnthonysandSt

Website: <a href="https://www.stanthonystmark.org.uk/">https://www.stanthonystmark.org.uk/</a>

Email: stanthonystmark@rcdom.org.uk

YouTube: CatholicG73

#### **Other Resources**

https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html

https://www.rcdom.org.uk/ https://www.universalis.com/ https://camglenradio.org/

## **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.

#### THE NINE TUESDAYS IN HONOUR OF ST ANTHONY

#### Novena

O glorious St Anthony, safe refuge of the afflicted and distressed, who hast revealed that all who piously invoke thee on nine consecutive Tuesdays shall experience thy powerful help, I a poor sinner, come to thee. Encouraged by thy promise, in all confidence, I implore thy counsel and thy protection.

Obtain help for me, O Blessed Anthony, in my present need. (silently mention it)

If, however, the favour I ask be opposed to the Will of God and the welfare of my soul, do thou obtain for me such other graces as shall be conducive to my eternal salvation.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be (3 times)

O gentle and loving St Anthony, in whose arms the infant Jesus did linger, grant the intercessory aid and at thy word our prayers shall be heard.

Leader: Pray for us O Blessed Anthony!

**All:** That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

**Let us pray:** O God, give ear on our behalf to the intercession of thy holy confessor Anthony, upon whom, adorned with heroic virtue, thou didst bestow the gift of miracles, even unto working prodigious signs and wonders.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

If then you ask for miracles, death error, all calamities, the leprosy and demons fly, and health succeeds infirmities.

Response

The sea obeys and fetters break, and lifeless limbs thou dost restore, while treasures lost are found again, when young and old thine aid implore.

All dangers vanish at thy prayer, so too incessant care and need, let all who know thy power proclaim, Padua tell, tis so decreed

Response

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

Response

**Leader:** Pray for us O Blessed Anthony!

All: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

**Let us pray:** O God, may the intercession of Blessed Anthony, thy confessor, be a source of joy to thy Church, that we may be always fortified by thy assistance and deserve to enjoy eternal happiness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Brief of St Anthony

Behold the Cross of the Lord: Fly ye powers of darkness; The Lion of the Tribe of Juda, the root of David has conquered. Alleluia

#### **Hymn to St Anthony**

St Anthony, our Father dear, we meet around thy throne once more;

Thy wondrous praises to proclaim, and make them sound from shore to shore.

O ye who for great wonders seek, go visit once his sacred shrine; Ah there you'll hear that even death has yielded to his power sublime.

Before his wisdom's wondrous rays, dark error takes its rapid flight; The demons even cannot bear the starlight gleam of his chaste light.

And raging sea obeys his voice, and from the shore doth quickly fly; For health, things lost and liberty, both old and young to him do cry.

Repeat 1st verse

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