

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who died recently, especially: Nancy Bryson, Jean Currie, Jimmy McClure,

and the Months Minds and Anniversaries of: Jess Flynn, Victor Hanlon, Sarah Law, Peter McCormick, Gerard McLaughlin, Isabel McLaughlin, Kate McLetchie, Rosemary Scollin, Norma Walker

Please pray for all sick and housebound of the Parish: Elma Dolan, Baby Hope McKenna & Henry McVey

SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION

The Bishops of Scotland have announced that the obligation to attend Mass will be restored from **Sunday 6th of March**. The Bishops wish to assure everyone that this does not apply to those who are sick and their carers or to those aware of their greater vulnerability to the virus.

ST MARK'S CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Would anyone be willing to help re-establish the Children's Liturgy at the 10.00am Mass at St Mark's?
If you would like to help then please let me know.

BOOK CLUB

The parish book club will meet on the **23rd of February at 7.00pm in St Mark's Church House**. The book we will be discussing is 'Where the Crawdad Sings' by Delia Owens. Please come along if you'd like to join.

LENT

The Season of Lent is fast approaching and a programme has been organised.

- A number of Priests have agreed to deliver the homily at each Tuesday Night Mass during the season.
- Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at the following times:
 - St Mark's Church:** Every Wednesday of Lent at 6.00pm
 - St Anthony's Church:** After 10am Mass every Thursday
- Days of Recollection for three of the ministries of our parish have been arranged on the following days:
 - The Ministers of Holy Communion: Saturday 5th of March
 - The Readers: Saturday 12th of March
 - The Musicians: Saturday 19th of MarchThe programme of each day will be:
 - 10am: Mass (Church)
 - 10:30am: Tea & Coffee (Hall)
 - 11am: Talk 1: (Hall)
 - 12:45pm: Lunch (Hall)
 - 1:15 pm: Talk 2:
 - 2:15pm: Closing prayer

JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP

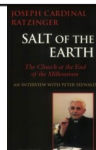
Thank you to all of the people who came to the meeting last week. Can we meet again on **Wednesday 2nd of March (ASH WEDNESDAY) after 7.00pm Mass in St Mark's Church House**.

IT & MEDIA GROUP

Can we have a meeting on **Thursday the 3rd of March (the 1st Thursday of Lent) in St Mark's house at 6.00pm**

ONGOING FORMATION—KNOWING OUR FAITH

The next meeting will be on **Thursday 24th of February at 7.00pm in St Mark's Church House**. We hope to discuss Part 1 of "Salt of the Earth" (up to page 120).



OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE 13TH OF FEBRUARY:

Plate collection including Gift Aid envelopes: £1375.11
Gift Aid to Bank: £335.00
Total: £1710.11

ST ANTHONY'S & ST MARK'S

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The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time/Year C 20th February 2022

SYNOD 2021-2023

The first Parish Synod meeting will be in St Anthony's Church Hall on Saturday 26th of February after 10.00am Mass.

PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE PORCH OF EACH CHURCH OR EMAIL THE PARISH TO REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE



What is a Synod?

The word Synod means **journeying together**. Synods are meetings held within the Church to discuss various topics.

The Synod is not a vast opinion poll, rather it is a process of deep listening to each other, of prayer and discernment to hear together the voice of the Holy Spirit, and to discover the will of God for his Church. This is the first time that every Catholic in the world has been asked to participate individually in a Synod.

This current Synod poses the following questions:

If we are a Church that, in announcing the Gospel, journeys together,

- How is this "journeying together" happening in today's Church?
- What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow in our "journeying together"?

The First meeting will focus on the following themes:

- COMPANIONS ON THE JOURNEY**
In the Church and society, we are on the same road.
 - In our Church, who are those who "walk together"?
 - Who are those who seem further apart?
 - How are we called to grow as companions?
 - What groups or individuals are left on the margins?
- LISTENING**
Listening is the first step, but it requires an open mind and heart, without prejudice.
 - How is God speaking to us through voices we sometimes ignore?
 - How are the laity listened to, especially women and young people?
 - What facilitates or inhibits our listening?
 - How well do we listen to those on the peripheries?
 - How is the contribution of consecrated men and women integrated?
 - What are some limitations in our ability to listen, especially to those who have different views than our own?
 - What space is there for the voice of minorities, especially people who experience poverty, marginalisation, or social exclusion?

THE SEVENTH WEEK OF THE YEAR (C)

This week we continue Jesus's famous sermon. Much as it is in Matthew's version, Jesus' teaching demands action. Disciples are to love enemies, do good to those who hate them, pray for those who treat them badly. The listeners don't know it yet, but they are characteristics of Jesus own ministry, and especially during his passion. We will hear Jesus, being nailed to the cross praying: "Father forgive them. They don't know what they are doing."

(Readings: I Samuel 26:2-7-9.12-13.22-23; Psalm 102; I Corinthians 15: 45-49; Luke 6:27-38)

SATURDAY 19TH FEBRUARY

At St Mark's

4.30pm The Sacrament of Reconciliation

5.00pm Vigil Mass of the Seventh Sunday of the Year (C)

SUNDAY 20TH FEBRUARY

10.00am Holy Mass of the Seventh Sunday of the Year (C) **at St Mark's**

11.30am Holy Mass of the Seventh Sunday of the Year (C) **at St Anthony's**

4.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation **at St Anthony's**

5.00pm Holy Mass of the Seventh Sunday of the Year (C) **at St Anthony's**

MONDAY 21ST FEBRUARY

(Readings: James 3: 13-18; Psalm 18; Mark 9:14-29)

At St Mark's

9.00am-10.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

10.00am Holy Mass for Monday of the Seventh Week in ordinary Time

7.00pm **RCIA meeting in St Mark's House**

TUESDAY 22ND FEBRUARY

THE FEAST OF THE CHAIR OF ST PETER THE APOSTLE

The Chair of St Peter the Apostle is the feast which emphasises the teaching authority of the Pope. The chair or cathedra is the place from where each bishop teaches his people, and gives us the word "cathedral". The Pope presides over the whole Church and teaches us the Faith which unites us with each other.

(Readings: Peter 5:1-4; Psalm 22; Matthew 16:13-19)

At St Anthony's

6.00pm-7.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

6.30pm-7.00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation available

7.00pm Holy Mass for the Feast of the Chair of St Peter, and in memorial of all who died in the month of February from St Anthony's Church followed by the Novena to St Anthony

WEDNESDAY 23TH FEBRUARY

THE MEMORIAL OF ST POLYCARP

St Polycarp (69-156) was a disciple of St John the Apostle, who made him Bishop of Smyrna, one of the seven churches of St John's Apocalypse. He visited Rome to consult with Pope Anicetus showing an early sign of respect for the Successor of St Peter. Shortly after returning, he was arrested by officials of the Roman Empire. They burned him to death in the city stadium, at the age of 87.

(Readings: James 4: 13-17; Psalm 48; Mark 9:38-40)

At St Mark's

9.00am-10.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9.30am Recitation of the Glorious Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary

10.00am Holy Mass for the Memorial of St Polycarp

10.30am Tea and Coffee morning in St Mark's Hall

7.00pm Holy Mass for the Memorial of St Polycarp, and in memorial of all who died in the month of February from St Mark's Church

MASS ON THURSDAY

MASS WILL BE IN ST MARK'S ON THURSDAY MORNING

THURSDAY 24TH FEBRUARY

At St Mark's

10.00am

Requiem Mass for Jean Currie R.I.P.

7.00pm

Ongoing formation meeting at St Mark's House on the Pope Benedict XVI book "Salt of the Earth"

FRIDAY 25TH FEBRUARY

(Readings: James:5:9-12; Psalm 102; Mark 9:41-50)

At St Mark's

9.00am-10.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9.30am-10.00am Sacrament of Reconciliation available

10.00am Holy Mass for Friday of the Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY 26TH FEBRUARY

(Readings: James:3:1-10; Psalm 11; Mark 9:2-13)

At St Anthony's

9.00am-10.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9.30am-10.00am Sacrament of Reconciliation

9.30am Recitation of the Joyful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary

10.00am Holy Mass in honour of Our Blessed Mother

11.00am **Synod meeting in St Anthony's Church**

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (C)

SATURDAY 27TH FEBRUARY

Next weekend Jesus concludes his sermon on the Plain. Like the Jewish Wisdom teachers, Jesus uses proverbs and short parables to prompt his hearers to change their thinking, and then their actions. Good advice for us as we approach Lent. It's worth remembering that good fruit can only come from a sound tree. In Lent we might check the soundness of our spiritual tree, and remove the splinters from our own eyes before removing those of others?

At St Mark's

4.30pm The Sacrament of Reconciliation

5.00pm Vigil Mass of the Eighth Sunday of the Year (C)

SUNDAY 20TH FEBRUARY

10.00am Holy Mass of the Eighth Sunday of the Year (C) **at St Mark's**

11.30am Holy Mass of the Eighth Sunday of the Year (C) **at St Anthony's**

4.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation **at St Anthony's**

5.00pm Holy Mass of the Eighth Sunday of the Year (C) **at St Anthony's**

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary will join us on the weekend of the **12th and 13th of March** to tell us about their work and to meet parishioners who would like to join the Legion of Mary. A short presentation will be made at the end of all Masses.

TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

The Chaplain of our High School, Fr Paul Annas, will once again join us for all Sunday masses on the 5th and 6th of March, the first Sunday of Lent. Any parishioner who is a pupil at Trinity High is invited to join Fr Paul and me for lunch **in St Mark's House at 1pm on Sunday 6th of March.**

REMEMBRANCE MASSES

This week Mass will be offered for the those of our community who have died during the month of February and are remembered in the Book of Remembrance in each Church.

St Anthony's on Tuesday 22nd of February at 7.00pm

St Mark's on Wednesday 23rd of February at 7.00pm