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# THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) 12TH FEBRUART 2023

# FOODBANK

Thank you for your continued support of the foodbank; last week we were able to support <u>71</u> families. This is a list of items we are in particular need of at our Food Bank: Cold meat, tins of beans, spaghetti, ready meals, potatoes, pasta, pasta sauce, rice, savoury rice, cheesy pasta, pot noodles, packets of soup, tins of custard, creamed rice, jelly, fruit. Ladies shower gel, deodorant, toothpaste, soap, shampoo. Diluting juice, crisps, biscuits, tea, coffee. UHT milk. Household cleaning products.

Items can be brought to any Mass or to the Church House at St Mark's. Thanks again.

# PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LAKE GARDA

A further  $\pounds 150$  needs to be paid by the **28th February.** Marjorie McCauley can collect the money at St Anthony's and Mary McColgan and Elizabeth Robertson can collect the money at St. Mark's.

# HOSPICE COFFEE & CUPCAKE MORNING

Teas and coffees after the 11.30am Mass next weekend will be to raise funds for the Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice. Cupcakes and home baking will also be available.

# CONSECRATION TO ST JOSEPH

Would you like to know more about St Joseph? Each year we have the opportunity to consecrate ourselves to him during a period of 33 days prayer and reflection. We will meet each week to discuss and reflect upon the consecration process.

The consecration to St Joseph will begin on **15th of February** and we will conclude on the Solemnity of St Joseph on **19th of March.** If you are interested then please come **to the Cuppa Club for a meeting at 10.30am in St Mark's Hall.** All reading material will be provided for you, and we will meet in St Mark's house.

If you are unable to make the meeting then please speak to me and we'll make other arrangements.

# PARISH COUCIL MEETING

The Parish Council Meeting will now be at **7.00pm on Monday 20th February in St Anthony's Hall.** All groups of the Parish are invited to make a short report on their work at the meeting. If there are any particular items you would like to be added to the meeting agenda, then please submit them in writing or by email to the Parish Office.

#### **6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)**

#### SATURDAY 11TH FEBRUARY

It's easy to see God's Law only as a collection of "don'ts", but Jesus shows its real purpose over the next few weeks. He takes a selection of commandments, starting with "you shall not kill", and turns them into positive directives—not only must we not kill another, but we must also positively seek to enhance the dignity of every human being! Even calling someone a fool is a serious matter if doing so detracts from that person's dignity. (Readings Sirach 15: 15-20: Psalm 118: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10: Matthew 5:17-37)

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At St Mark's		
4.30pm	The Sacrament of Reconciliation available at St Mark's	
5.00pm	Vigil Mass for the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time at St Mark's	
SUNDAY 121	TH FEBRUARY	
10.00am	Holy Mass for the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time <b>at St Mark's</b>	
11.30am	Holy Mass for the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time at St Anthony's	
4.30pm	The Sacrament of Reconciliation available at St Anthony's	
5.00pm	Holy Mass for the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time at St Anthony's	
MONDAY 13	TH FEBRUARY	
	(Readings: Genesis 4:1-15.25; Psalm: 49; Mark 8:11-13)	
At St Mark's		
9.00am-9.50	am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
9.30am	Recitation of the Joyful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary	
10.00am	Holy Mass for Monday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time	
11.00am	Computer and IT help in St Mark's House	
11.30pm	RCIA meeting at St Mark's House	
6.00pm	Social & Fundraising Team Meeting at St Mark's House	

#### **TUESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY**

### THE FEAST OF ST CYRIL AND ST METHODIUS

**St Cyril (826-869) and St Methodius ((815-885)** were brothers, born at Thessalonica, Greece, who spread the Faith in Moravia. They translated liturgical texts in Slavonic, using the Cyrillic alphabet which they devised. Cyril died, aged 43, on a visit to Rome. Methodius became a bishop and worked in Pannonia and the present day-Czech Republic, where he is buried at the great shrine of Velehrad. Saints Cyril and Methodius were named Patrons of Europe by St John Paul II in 1980 (Readings: Acts 13:46-49: Psalm: 116: Luke 10:1-9)

At St Anthony's	
6.00pm-6.50pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
6.30pm-6.50pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation available
6.30pm	Recitation of the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary at St Anthony's
7.00pm	Holy Mass for Tuesday the Feast of St Cyril and St Methodius
	followed by the Novena to St Anthony
7.30pm	Meeting of the SVDP in St Anthony's House

#### WEDNESDAY 15TH FEBRUARY

	(Readings: Genesis 8:6-13.20-22; Psalm: 115; Mark 8:22-26)
At St Mark's	
9.00am-9.50am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.30am	Recitation of the Joyful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary
10.00am	Holy Mass for Wednesday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time
10.00am-12.00noon	Food Bank at St Anthony's Hall
10.30am	Cuppa Club in St Mark's Hall
10.30am	Meeting about the Consecration to St Joseph in St Mark's Hall
12.00noon-2.00pm	Food Bank at St Mark's Hall
6.00pm	Meeting of next weekend's Readers in St Mark's House
7.00pm	Holy Mass for Wednesday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time with a blessing of
-	Engaged Couples at St Mark's
7.30pm	Reception for Engaged Couples in St Mark's House

#### THURSDAY 16TH FEBRUARY

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At St Anthony's	
9.30am-9.50am	Recitation of the Luminous Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary
10.00am	Holy Mass for Thursday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time
7.00pm	Community Choir Rehearsals at St Mark's
7.00pm	Ongoing formation at St Mark's House

#### FRIDAY 17TH FEBRUARY

(Readings: Genesis 11:1-9; Psalm 32; Mark 8:34-9:1)

At St Mark's	
9,00am-9,50am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.30am-9.50am	Recitation of the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary
9.30am-9.50am	Sacrament of Reconciliation available
10.00am	Holy Mass for Friday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time
	with the Novena to the Sacred Heart

#### SATURDAY 18TH FEBRUARY

At Ct Anthony's

(Readings Hebrews 11:1-7; Psalm 144; Mark 9:2-13)

11.00am-1.00pm	Computer and IT help at St Mark's House
11.00am-1.00pm	Gardening Club at St Mark's
10.00am	Holy Mass in Honour of Mary the Mother of God
9.30am-9.50am	Sacrament of Reconciliation available
9.30am	Recitation of the Joyful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary
9.00am-9.50am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
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#### SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

#### SATURDAY 18TH FEBRUARY

The ancient Babylonians had introduced the principle of 'eye for eye and tooth for tooth' to try to curb excessive retaliation in war. Jesus replaces this with a radical demand: when someone hits you on one cheek, turn the other; go an extra mile; give to anyone who asks. His reason? Retaliation does not stop violence: it doubles it. Jesus' idea of turning the other cheek is a way to stop violence in its tracks.

(Readings Leviticus 19:1-2.17-18; Psalm 102; 1 Corinthians 3:16-23; Matthew 5:38-48)

At St Mark's	
4.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation available
5.00pm	Vigil Mass for the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
SUNDAY 19TH F	EBRUARY
10.00am	Holy Mass for the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time at St Mark's
11.30am	Holy Mass for the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time at St Anthony's
4.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation available
5.00pm	Holy Mass for the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time <b>at St Anthony's</b>
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#### NEXT WEEKEND THERE WILL BE AN APPEAL BY CLASSROOMS FOR MALAWAI WITH A SECOND COLLECTION TO SUPPORT THEIRE WORK

#### **ST PATRICK'S NIGHT**

There will be a St Patricks Night Celebration at **7.00pm on Saturday 11th of March in St Mark's Hall.** All proceeds will be going to the Kylbride Hospice. Can we therefore have a meeting of the Social and Fundraising Team at **6.00pm on Monday 13th of February in St Mark's House.** 

# SACRAMENT CANDIDATES

You'll notice over the next couple of weeks that pictures of the children who are celebrating Sacraments will appear in both Churches. The children are asking for prayer partners. If you would like to partner any child in prayer then please write your name under their photograph and I'll let them know who is partnering them.

#### **ENGAGED COUPLES MASS**

There will be a special Mass for those couples who are being married in the Parish this year. The Mass will be at **7.00pm on Wednesday 15th of February in St Mark's.** There will be a small supper in St Mark's House afterwards for the couples. The Parish community continues to pray for them during this special year for them all.

#### EARTHQUAKE RELIEF FUND

In order to support the relief efforts following the terrible Earthquake in Turkey and Syria, a collection box will be available at the back of both Churches. You can also add any donation to the regular Sunday collection, but please place your donation in an envelope indicating that it's for the fund. You may also place any donation in the SCIAF charity box in St Mark's Church.

# PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Those who died recently, especially:** Joanne Gillespie, Patsy Harkins, Daniel Lee, Joe Millar & Kathleen Shiels **Those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially**: Cathie Dan & Joe Duffy, Esther Flynn, Jess Flynn, Patrick & Mary McElwee & Peter McCormick

**Please pray for all sick and housebound of the Parish**: Isobel Clark, Isa Daniels, Michael Dooley, Helen Hunt, Baby Finn McGuinness, Michael McGuire, Baby Hope McKenna, Henry McVey, May O'Donnell & Margaret Rice

#### ASH WEDNESDAY

Masses will be at	t the following times on Ash Wednesday the 22nd of February
10.00am	St Mark's
1.30pm	St Anthony's
7.00pm	St Anthony's

#### HOMEWORK CLUB AND TUITION

Thank you to all of the tutors who have given their time to help the young people of the local community. Now that the schools have returned the schedule is as follows:

Monday: Spanish at 4.30pm; Tuesday: History at 5.30pm; Wednesday: English at 4.30pm, Biology at 6.00pm; Thursday: Maths at 4.30pm, Maths & Physics at 6.30pm; Friday Modern Studies at 4.30pm, Maths at 4.30pm. We are also able to help with the following subjects: Business Management and Accounting, Drama, Chemistry, Design & Manufacture, French, Geography, Graphic Communication, and Spanish. If you need any help with your studies then please let us know.

We are now in a position to begin our Homework Clubs. We aim to begin the clubs very soon. They will be at the following time and locations:

St Mark's: Every Wednesday from 3.15pm-4.15pm St Anthony's: Every Thursday from 3.15pm-4.15pm

#### ONGOING FORMATION

We are about to complete our work Parousia: the Bible and the Mass, by Dr Scott Hann. We will now begin to work through a course developed by Dr Brandt Petrie: Introduction to the Bible: Inspiration, Inerrancy, Interpretation, and the Interior Life..

Many Catholics want to study the Bible, but aren't quite sure where to start. What do I need to know first? What does the Catholic Church teach about Scripture? What rules do I follow in order to interpret the Bible correctly? And how can I study in such a way that not only gives me knowledge, but deepens my spiritual life? In this course, Dr. Brant Pitre lays the foundations for a thoroughly Catholic approach to Sacred Scripture. In this course, you will learn about the following important topics:

• **The Canon:** What is the Bible? How did we get it? Who decided which books are included in Scripture and how does this help us interpret it correctly?

• *Inspiration:* Is the Bible "inspired" by God? If so, what exactly does this mean? How does inspiration make Scripture different from any other book?

• *Inerrancy:* Can we trust the Bible? Are there errors in Scripture? What is the Church's official teaching on the truth of Scripture, and has it changed since Vatican II?

• Apparent Contradictions: Is there any way to reconcile the apparent contradictions in the Bible, like in Genesis 1 and 2 or regarding the Date of the Last Supper?

• Interpretation: How do Catholics interpret the Bible? What rules and methods does the Church follow? What about the historical-critical interpretation of Scripture? Why has Pope Benedict called it "indispensable"?

• **The Lectionary:** How do I make sense of the readings at Mass? How is the Lectionary put together, and what keys unlock the Liturgy's interpretation of Scripture?

• The Four Senses: What are the "four senses" of Scripture, and how can they help me draw out the riches of God's Word?

• Lectio Divina: Why did the monks call Scripture the "Ladder of Paradise," and why is Scripture an essential part of the life of prayer?

Full notes will be provided and, the course will begin on **Thursday February 16th at 7.00pm in in Mark's House.** 

#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE 5TH FEBRUARY:

Plate collection including Gift Aid envelopes:  $\pounds1609.09$ 

# Gift Aid to Bank: 594.00

Total: £2203.09

Refund from the Diocese of Offertory paid online: £265.00