



# Welcome to the Parish of St Anthony of Padua

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**Mass will be held on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July at 10.00 am and Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August at 9.00 am.**

Attendance will need to be pre-booked to maintain social distancing, and so that people will not have to be turned away at the door if we reach maximum occupancy. **Please do not arrive at church hoping to attend Mass if you have not booked in advance.** It is possible that we may not be able to accommodate all parishioners at Mass every week. We will keep a record of attendees so that everyone will have the opportunity to attend Mass at some time. Future Mass times and dates will be advertised in our newsletter.

**To pre-book your attendance at Mass on one of the days above:**

**Contact Anne Doyle on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July, between 09.00 am - 11.00 am, or 6.00pm – 8.00pm;**  
telephone 01225 707486 or email [anne.doyle16@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:anne.doyle16@blueyonder.co.uk)

We appreciate that some people would like to remain after Mass for private prayer. We do have to ensure the church is cleaned after each Mass, so instead **the church will be open 15 minutes before the beginning of Mass at 9.45 am on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July and 8.45 am on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August for private prayer.**

**Please note: Toilet facilities will remain closed** to prevent any risk of transmission of infection; please remember this when planning your visit. The obligation to attend Mass on Sunday remains suspended. Heartfelt thanks to all our volunteers who make reopening possible.

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July: Seventeenth Sunday of the Year**

**Sunday Year A; Psalter week 1**

**Reading 1 – 1Kgs 3: 5, 7-12**

**Psalm refrain: Lord, how I love your law!**

**Reading 2 - Rom 8: 28-30**

**Gospel - Matthew 13: 44-52**

**Prayers of the Faithful, Seventeenth Sunday of the Year**

In Jesus Christ, God has become like us. Let us pray that we may become something like God in freedom, in love and in willingness to give ourselves in the service of others.

Let us pray for those who govern Church and State, for parents, teachers and all in roles of influence that they may have the courage to present fresh new wisdom without depriving us of the old.

Let us pray for all those in need, for the sick, the dying, those who are finding life hard at the moment.

Let us pray for our parish that we may always be a close and loving community. Let us pray for the parishes in Salisbury, and the Core Church.

Father let us grow more to resemble your Son, so that we may be recognised as his sisters and brothers and lead others to love Him. Amen

Anne Doyle

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July: Word: Jer 13: 1-11; Dt 32; Mt 13: 31-35**

**Hours: Psalter 1**

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July: Word: Jer 14: 17-22; Ps 78; Mt 13: 36-43**

**Hours: Psalter 1**

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July: Memorial of St Martha**

**Reading 1 – Jer 15: 10, 16-21;**

**Psalm refrain: O God, you have been a refuge in the day of my distress**

**Gospel: Jn 11: 19-27**

**Hours: Psalter 1**

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July Word:** Jer 18: 1-6; Ps 145; Mt 13: 47-53  
**Hours:** Psalter 1

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July: Memorial of St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest**  
**Word:** Jer 26: 1-9; Ps 68; Mt 13: 54-58  
**Hours:** Psalter 1

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August: Memorial of St Alphonsus Mary Liguori, Bishop, Doctor of the Church**  
**Word:** Jer 26: 11-16, 24; Ps 68; Mt 14: 1-12  
**Hours:** Psalter 1

**Retiring Collections – Easter offering for Fr Vincent**

**Vilma D'Souza:** Vilma D'Souza died peacefully at home on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July, may she rest in peace. Please keep Vilma and her family, particularly her daughter Sharon, in your prayers. Vilma's funeral service will take place at West Wiltshire Crematorium at 12.15 on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July. Due to Covid 19, numbers at the crematorium are restricted and attendance is by family invitation only. A webcast of the service will be available. If any parishioners would like to join this, the link is:

<https://www.wesleymedia.co.uk/webcast-view> Login / Order ID: 41323 Password: snnebgez

**Volunteer Cleaners:** We rely heavily on our volunteers during this time to be able to open our church. We need more volunteer cleaners to join our team; if you are not in the clinically vulnerable group (under 70 and not shielding), please contact Mary Rooney on 07789 910591 to help with this important task. Thank you.

**Mary's Meals - New film:** "Love Reaches Everywhere" is an uplifting story about the work of Mary's Meals in places such as Liberia and Haiti, featuring the Hollywood actor, Gerard Butler! Watch the film at [www.marysmeals.org.uk/](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk/)

**Melksham Food Bank:** There has been a huge rise in the number needing the Food Bank. To donate food items, please use either the designated trollies in the Supermarkets or deliver to the Baptist Church. Items needed - cans of meat, vegetables and fruit, pots of jam, crisps. Do not send chilled, or frozen foods or fresh fruit or vegetables as these cannot be stored. Thank you.

**Please pray for the following:** Mrs. Rosa Menghini, Don d'Cruz, Mrs Kathleen Murphy, John Doyle, Mrs Marian Frawley, Geoff Blwyddin, Mrs Jean Irwin, Mrs Jeanette Allsop, Mrs Bridie Liddle, Zofia Clarke, Chris Bate, David Coughlin, Katja Lubina, Patrick Egan, Mrs Jonasz. Deacon David Wakefield, Rebecca Matthews, Paul Hogg, Keith Healy, Alan Glass, Tricia Rigg, Henie Dixon, Brian Hillhouse, June Carey. All those suffering from coronavirus, and those finding isolation difficult.

**Please note – due to GDPR regulations, we are obliged to have the consent of the person you wish to pray for (or that of a close family member) before publishing their name in the newsletter.**

*Words of Wisdom:*

**With Thanks**  
For all the beauty  
Before us, within us:  
For all love  
Known to us, guiding us:  
For all peace  
Resting us, preserving us:  
For all hope  
Sustaining us, encouraging us:  
For all, always,  
We are indebted to You, Our Father.  
*"Let there be", compiled by Churches Together in England*

*Just some thoughts:*

Church bulletin extracts:

- Low Self-Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday 7pm. Please use the back door.
- The eighth graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the church basement Friday at 7pm. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy
- This evening at 7pm there will be a hymn singing in the park across from the Church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.

**Wordsearch – Seventeenth Sunday of the Year:**

F	K	N	O	W	E	E	P	I	N	G
U	O	T	P	E	A	R	L	S	E	L
R	J	U	D	G	E	M	E	N	T	O
N	S	R	N	C	L	A	E	N	W	R
A	E	L	E	D	P	M	A	N	T	Y
C	W	P	L	P	I	H	S	S	P	D
E	T	I	E	E	C	M	E	P	A	E
S	U	A	S	R	S	N	A	M	O	R
L	R	L	E	E	I	H	S	G	U	A
A	R	M	A	F	D	T	R	A	E	H
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APPEAR	HAPPY	PRECEPTS
<b>DISCIPLE</b>	HEART	RESOLVED
ENEMIES	IMAGES	ROMANS
FALSE	<b>JUDGEMENT</b>	SELLS
FINEST	KNOW	SHARED
FOUND	MERCHANT	VALUE
FURNACE	OWNS	WEEPING
GLORY	PEARLS	WISE

Eliminate only the words given in the list. No given word should be completely inside another. The remaining letters describe the Kingdom of Heaven in the Gospel. Find the highlighted words to give the initial letter of it: \_\_\_\_\_

The remaining letters last week should have read HELPER.

Hilary Clifton

**Any Comments?**

*Is there anything you would particularly like to see included in the weekly newsletter, while we are unable to gather together to worship? Please send any comments to the email address below, or 'phone the office on 01225 702128 and leave a message. Thank you.*

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