



St. Anne's Parish

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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



This Week in St. Anne's

Sunday Mass: 5pm Vigil & 11am

Masses this week: Tues, Wed & Thurs at 10am

Confessions: Sat 4.30pm and before masses.

All services are streamed live online



Parish Office: Open Mon to Fri 9am to 1pm
Parish WhatsApp Group – Keep up to date with what is happening in our parish community. Text your name and number to 07714691281 to be added to our WhatsApp group.

Your Giving

This w/end - **Weekly Offering**

Last w/end Collection:

Weekly Offering: Envelopes £1367 & Loose £209.60

Pastoral services: £ 410.50

Why not set up a **Standing Order**. You can download the **necessary forms from our website...or Donate Online** to St. Anne's Parish

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A new **"Digital Collection Plate"** for those who wish to donate using Credit or Debit Cards is now available for use. It is "contactless", and you can also Gift Aid your donation.

We Remember - Anniversary: Colm McEvoy

Foodbank:

Your continued generous support is gratefully appreciated. Sadly with the increase in food poverty the need for the bank continues to grow. We again thank our regular donors for their generosity and encourage others to join in giving to those most in need.

Prayer for the Summer Holidays

Lord God, We put ourselves into Your hands, and pray that You will bless us and our families during the wonderful months of summer. May we all help make our home a place of relaxation, joy, love, peace and safety. May we be generous and considerate, not thinking only about ourselves, but helping others enjoy the blessings of summertime.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Ordination: The Rev John O'Laverty will be ordained to the priesthood at St Patrick's Church, Legamaddy (Parish of Bright) on Sunday 31 July. Please keep him and his family in prayer at this time.

Seeing Your Life Through The Lens of The Gospel

1. In the prayer Jesus gave us as a model, the focus is not on getting God to do what we want, but on trying to be open to what God wants: 'Your kingdom come'. That openness implies a trust that what God wants for us is our good. When have you found that it was good for you to take life as it comes, trusting that the Spirit was with you no matter what happened?
2. It can be helpful at times to pray the Lord's Prayer with one eye on what you see lies ahead for you in the day. Spend a moment thinking of what you have to do and then take each phrase of the Lord's Prayer and see how that speaks to your agenda.
3. One of the points in the parable of the friend knocking at the door, is that in the case of true friendship it will not be necessary to browbeat the friend into giving what you seek. Recall times when you had a friend who gave willingly and readily. What was it like to have such a generous and willing response? Perhaps you can also recall when you have been that kind of a friend to others.
4. In the culture of the Middle East hospitality is a priority. It would be unimaginable not to help a friend. Just so, it is unimaginable that God will ignore our prayer. When you think of the reliability of God what are the images that you find helpful and that encourage you to persist in prayer?

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Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Genesis 18: 20-32



The Lord said,
'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?'

The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied,

'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No,' he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied, 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied, 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.'

'I will not destroy it' he replied, 'for the sake of the twenty.'
He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more:
perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the
sake of the ten.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 137

Response: *On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.*

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple. *Response*

2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul. *Response*

3. The Lord is high, yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Though I walk in the midst of affliction
you give me life and frustrate my foes. *Response*

4. You stretch out your hand and save me,
your hand will do all things for me.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands. *Response*

SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Colossians 2: 12-14

You have been buried with him, when you were baptised; and by
baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in
the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead,

because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has
brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins.

He has overridden the Law and cancelled every record of the debt that
we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 1: 12. 14

Alleluia, alleluia!
The Word was made flesh and lived among us;
to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke 11: 1-13

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished
one of his disciples said,
'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.'
He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

"Father, may your name be held holy,
your kingdom come;
give us each day our daily bread,
and forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us.
And do not put us to the test." '

He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to
him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves,
because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house
and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the
house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children
and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it you." I tell you, if the man

does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'


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no honour for
the elderly, there
is no future for
the young.
- Pope Francis



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