

Our Lady & St. Anne, Caversham

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B 24-25th August 2024

Response to the Psalm:
Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Our Lady and St Anne's Children's Liturgy Group

During the planned closure of the Church from Sunday 1st September until Sunday 2nd November 2024, the Children's Liturgy Group will relocate to the Music Room in St Anne's School. The Children's Liturgy (CL) sessions will continue to be conducted by the CL Team of Hilary, Pat, Michael, Catherine, James, Alessandra, Silvia and Maria (new volunteers always welcome!).



CL sessions open with a series of songs/prayers that echo elements of the mass. We then read and discuss the gospel reading and finish with an activity to help the children engage further with it.

The gospel discussion and activity are primarily targeted at young school children (pre First Holy Communion). Younger children are most welcome to attend if accompanied by a supporting grown up.

Whilst CL is meeting in the school if any unaccompanied children need the toilet we will bring them back to their grown up in Mass to take them.

Thank you for your support and understanding during this time of change.

Our Lady & St Anne Church

Next weekend will be the first Mass in the school hall. Stewards will be on hand to advise people but please be patient as inevitable teething problems are ironed out.

Saturday Mass		Sunday Mass		Weekday Mass	
Date	Venue	Date	Venue	W/C	Venue
31/08/2024	School Hall	01/09/2024	School Hall	26/08/2024	Cenacle
07/09/2024	School Hall	08/09/2024	School Hall	02/09/2024	Cenacle
14/09/2024	Cenacle	15/09/2024	School Hall	09/09/2024	Cenacle
21/09/2024	School Hall	22/09/2024	School Hall	16/09/2024	Cenacle
28/09/2024	School Hall	29/09/2024	School Hall	23/09/2024	Cenacle



Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Woodard who died recently.

His funeral will take place at the Sacred Heart, Henley on Monday 2nd September at 1pm.

May he rest in peace and rise in glory.



No tea & coffee after Mass Sunday 25th August

It will resume the following weekend, Sunday 1st September and will continue whilst the church is closed.



August 200 Club

The draw for this will take place after Mass on Sunday 1st September.

WEEKLY INCOME 10/11th Aug & 17/18th August

C'less:	£ 476.00
Loose plate	£ 405.72
Building fund	£ 200.00
Shop	£ 32.50
Rock n Ale	£ 77.00
Our Lady's Lamp	£ 10.00
Donation	£ 100.00
Candles	£ 64.45
Weekly S Orders:	£ 765.00

The Rock 'n' Ale Festival



This is now into its 12th year. This year's event will be held on **Saturday 7th September** and tickets are now on sale.

It is a family event & generates funds for the Motor Neurone Disease Association and is also a major contributor to Parish income. This year all parish monies will go to the Building Fund.

Tickets £15 adults, £5 under 16's & under 5's free.

Get one after Mass in the cenacle, by visiting www.facebook.com/rocknale

Marathon for Cafod: Damian

Porter is running his first and only marathon on 15th September to raise funds for Cafod. Any sponsorship would be fantastic motivation over the 26 miles 385 yards, the precise distance from our church here at St Annes to the Heathrow Premier Inn.



More importantly, your sponsorship would make a real, positive, difference to the lives of the world's poorest and most marginalised. Thank you!"

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/damianrunninghisbottieoff>

The SVP would like to hear from all parishioners in our community who live on their own or are lonely and would like a volunteer to visit on a regular basis for a cup of tea & a chat or a regular phone call.



We are here for you and want to support you. Please contact Bev on

president B170309@svp.org.uk or Pam on secretary B170309@svp.org.uk.

The SVP work in the community and closely with other charities to offer support where needed.

There will be an SVP representative at the back of church to answer any questions you may have.

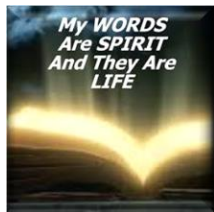
Re-Union of First & Second generation Irish, Italian & Polish people whose families came to live in the UK after the Second World War.

To be held at St Annes School Hall, Washington Road, Caversham, Reading RG4 5AA on Sat 14 Sept, 6pm-11pm.

Bring your own food, drinks & musical



instruments to make for a jolly time. Max of 200 people. £5 entry at the door for Church & School funds. All are welcome. Contact Gabriele Scicluna:07778-340-444.



Today's Gospel first records the response of those in the crowd who are described as Jesus' disciples. Just as the larger crowd had struggled with Jesus' teaching, these disciples also cannot accept Jesus' words. Jesus is said to know about their murmuring. He responds by acknowledging their unbelief and by reiterating that only those

chosen by the Father will follow Jesus to the end. John's Gospel reports that many of those who had been Jesus' disciples ceased to follow him at this point. The number of people following Jesus dwindled from a crowd of more than 5,000 to only 12 people. And it is to these Twelve that Jesus now turns his attention.

Simon Peter's response to Jesus' question as to whether those closest to him will also leave, reminds us of the reports of Peter's confession of faith in the Synoptic Gospels. Peter announces, on behalf of all the Twelve, that they have come to believe all that Jesus has taught about himself: Jesus is the one from God in whom they have found the path to eternal life.

This conclusion of the Bread of Life discourse focuses on personal faith in the life of Christian discipleship. Each person must make his or her own judgment about who Jesus is and in doing so determine the way of life that he or she will follow.

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Mass intentions for Week Twenty-one in Ordinary Time

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

Saturday 24th August

5.30pm

Tom & Mary Feeney RIP

Sunday 25th August

10.00am

People of the parish

Monday 26th August

No Mass

Tuesday 27th August

No Mass

Wednesday 28th August

No Mass

Thursday 29th August

No Mass

Friday 30th August

No Mass

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

Saturday 31st August

5.30pm

People of the parish

Sunday 1st September

10.00am

James Brendan O'Rourke RIP



OUR LADY'S LAMP

This will not be lit whilst the church is closed.

*The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is **Julia Feeney**. They can be contacted at: sg.ol.stanne.caversham@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.*