

# St Anthony of Padua

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Weekday Mass: Mon-Wed, Fri: 9.15am. (Thurs 9.15am at Holy Family)  
Confessions: 5.30—5.50pm

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## *She Left her Jar Behind*

"We all go down to some well. We could each name the wells from which we drink: the well of perfectionism; the well of power and control; the well of hiding and isolation. Too many will drink from the wells of addiction. Many will draw from the well of busyness and denial. Day after day, month after month, year after year we go to the same well hoping our thirst will be quenched. We leave as thirsty as when we arrived only to return the next day. For too long we have drunk from the well that can never satisfy.' [1]

'The work of mature religion is to lead us beyond what we think we *want* to what we really *need*. The woman in today's gospel has come to the well because she wants water. Jesus tries to lead her, step by step, beyond what she thinks she wants and to help her see that water is just the symbol of what she really needs.' [2] 'Her thirst will never be quenched by the external wells of life. Nor will ours. Jesus told her "Whoever drinks this water will get thirsty again - but anyone who drinks the water that I shall give will never be thirsty again: the water that I shall give will turn into a spring inside, welling up to eternal life." This is the well from which new life and new possibilities spring forth. It is the well that frees us from the patterns and habits that keep us living as thirsty people. This living water is Jesus' own life. It became in the Samaritan woman "a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." She discovered within herself the interior well and left her water jar behind. She had now become the well in which Christ's life flows.' [1]

She left her jar behind, that water-bearing vessel on which she depended for her very life. She abandoned it at the well. *She* had become the vessel. Filled with the living water that she found in the midst of her repetitive daily task, the woman goes to spill forth what she has found. The Samaritan woman allowed God to use her despite her background, gender, ethnicity, what people thought of her and how people looked at her. She became a vessel of living, liberating, life-giving water. [3] The 'fountain within us bubbling up unto eternal life', is the awareness that from the very beginning we are God's beloved. If we only knew what God has already given us. [2]

*[1] Michael Marsh [2] Richard Rohr [3] Jan Richardson*

Third Sunday of Lent  
12th March 2023

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# DIARY AND MASS INTENTIONS

for the week beginning Saturday 11th March 2023

Sat 6.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i>	Betty Murphy	
Sun 9.30am 11.00am	<i>St. Ant</i> <i>H.Family</i>	For our parish Tony Hardman	<b>Third Sunday in Lent</b>
Mon 9.15am	<i>St. Ant</i>	Margaret Rawcliffe	<i>Feast: St. Joseph</i>
Tue 9.15am	<i>St. Ant</i>	Gracy James	
Wed 9.15am 11.00am	<i>St. Ant</i> <i>St. Ant</i>	Ann Thornton <i>Funeral service: Ann Thornton</i>	
Thur 9.15pm	<i>H.Family</i>	Special Intention	
Fri 9.15am	<i>St. Ant</i>	Anne Goode	Stations of the Cross 6pm
Sat 6.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i>	Gerard Knight	
Sun 9.30am 11.00am	<i>St. Ant</i> <i>H.Family</i>	Mihaj Mocu For our parish	<b>Fourth Sunday in Lent (Laetare)</b>

**Last Weekend:** Attendance: 267 (116 + 151). Offertory: £681.90.

Thank you for your great generosity.

**Masses received this week:** Gerard Knight, Joe & Mary Traynor, Matthew Bond, Joyce Hilton, Francis O'Gara.

**Tea, Coffee, cake etc. served in the Padua Room after weekend Mass.**

## Lourdes Pilgrimage 2023

Bishop Paul Swarbrick is leading the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 21-28 July 2023. For more info, please see posters at the back of church or go to the Diocesan Pilgrimage web-site [www.lancasterlourdes.co.uk](http://www.lancasterlourdes.co.uk)

Lourdes by coach: 20th - 29th July. To join the Lancaster Diocese Pilgrimage, £769 sharing a room to include return travel, first & last night B&B, 7 nights Full Board 3\* Hotel Lourdes, half day excursion. Contact Bernadette Roberts: 07734 972897, e-m [grannyrazzle@sky.com](mailto:grannyrazzle@sky.com).

## Welcome into the family of faith

- Conor Gawn who was baptised in St. Anthony's last Sunday.

### PRAYER INTENTIONS

We pray for those who are sick, especially Mary Lawler, Theresa Wilkinson, Jo Counsell, Alice Myerscough, Bill Embery, Maureen Cafferkey, Carole & Gary Adnitt, Les Farrer, Rev. Tom Butler, baby Mairead, Marie Morris, Sarah O'Donnell.

We pray for those who have died recently: Vera Bolton, Anne Thornton, Francis O'Gara, Robert Dobson, Kit Welsby;

and those whose anniversaries fall about this time: Joan Bleakley, Margaret Rawcliffe, Elizabeth Murphy, Joseph Madden, Marie Hooper. May they rest in peace.

**LENT—Stations of the Cross** During Lent there will be Stations of the Cross every Friday at 6.00pm in St. Anthony's church led by parishioners.

## CAFOD Family Fast Day – Lent Appeal

Last Friday was Lent Fast Day. The proceeds will be counted after today's Masses.

## CAFOD Lent Calendar

CAFOD have produced a Lent calendar, providing prayers, stories and suggested action for each day of Lent. Click on this link to get them sent to your e-mail: [Lent calendar with daily prayers and reflection \(cafod.org.uk\)](http://cafod.org.uk)

## Fair Trade stall

Fairtrade sales came to £38.75, Donations for CAFOD:£2.00; Easter sales for Rwanda: £89.50. Thank you for your support.

## Next Farmers' Market

The end of March sees the next Fulwood Farmers' Market - Saturday 25th March from 9.30am-1pm at Fulwood Methodist Church, Watling Street Road, PR2 8EA. Come and stock up on fresh local produce and Fairtrade products, and stay for a drink and a snack.

## Parish social event

Last Sunday Joe Pollard gave a great musical afternoon, enjoyed by a 'full house'. It also raised £294 in ticket sales with a further £255 through the raffle £255 : a total of £569 to this year's parish charity—HygieneBank. Two raffle prizes went unclaimed: Pink 627 and Grey 365.

In addition, £74 from cake sales went towards Galvin's Lourdes trip.

## 'Laudato Si' Lent Day

Reflect, Pray and Renew your spirit to face the realities of the world. Saturday, 18th March, 10 am-2 pm at the Xaverian Missionaries' Spiritual Centre, 168 Sharoe Green Lane, PR2 8HE Fulwood. Tea & coffee facilities, bring a packed lunch. More info: [Menchu\\_casa72@virginmedia.com](mailto:Menchu_casa72@virginmedia.com)

## Shroud of Turin Exhibition, Stonyhurst

The Shroud of Turin Exhibition, features a full-size replica of the Shroud, and will be on display at Theodore House, Stonyhurst from 6th - 22nd March. Join St. Anthony's Group visit on Friday 17th March 11.00am. Details from Jackie Stopyra on 07934 667292 or [Jackie.stopyra@gmail.com](mailto:Jackie.stopyra@gmail.com) Deadline for joining this group is Monday 6th March.

## "Turin Shroud - Authentic or Medieval Fake?"

There will be a short film about the shroud shown in the Padua Room on Wednesday 15th March at 7.00pm. Come and find out the facts and theories for and against, and decide for yourself. All welcome."

## Receiving Holy Communion from the Chalice

Bishop Paul writes: After consultations within the Bishops' Conference, I am now in a position to give permission to parishes to offer Holy Communion from the chalice. This will take effect from the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday. Whilst this is a return to the norm, it is not something being imposed on parishes. You remain free to reintroduce this practice when and where you feel able."

## Easter Retreat at Castlerigg Manor: 6th – 9th April.

Open to anyone from Year 10 up to age 25. A chance to journey through the powerful story of Easter, having fun and making friends along the way. £65 but Castlerigg may be able to assist. See [castleriggmanor.com](http://castleriggmanor.com) email [jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk](mailto:jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk)