St Anne's Parish, Wappenbury with Our Lady of the Angels', Princethorpe

Sunday 28 January 2024

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

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On Sunday 4 February Fr Alan will celebrate both Masses

"Fragility of Freedom"

We celebrated Holocaust Memorial Day 2024 yesterday, as we have done for many years in the past. Last week, As I watched *Schindler's List* – again - I never fail to be touched by the images it conjures up for me, an image that enhances my emotional response to the Holocaust. "Sitting by my wood burner, enjoying a tipple with friends, and suddenly ushered forcibly to a waiting truck to be transported somewhere to have my life snatched away on the pretext that "work sets me free" (a saying borrowed from 1873 by Lorenz Diefenbach, and erected above the entrance to Auschwitz and other Nazi Concentration Camps)". And, in my imagining, I am guilty of nothing! "It happened so quick – in 24 hours I was forced out of my house at gunpoint. I was 17 and had never seen anything like that... We had so much freedom and then in 24 hours our lives changed. (Sokphal Din BEM, survivor of genocide in Cambodia).





I need this imagining to anchor the violence of the Holocaust, and to reflect just how it might impact on me personally in 2024. Because it is all too obvious now that the Holocaust did not begin in the early 1940s, but many years before, sometime in 1933, when a new way of seeing humanity was born. Sounds so very simple and plausible – "new way of seeing humanity". And 6 million people died because their way of being was judged 'offensive' and, for this reason, elimination was seen as the "Final Solution". A solution repeated since then, would you agree?

We should have learned, should we not, just how thinking can kill? The recent reported increasing aimless street violence in UK, and the pointless death of so many (not forgetting the many international destructive conflicts since the Holocaust), did not 'just happen'. There is a mentality of seeing others as 'different', 'less than', as 'in (my) way', that precedes so much violence. The saying "if looks could kill" can be matched with a variation "if thoughts could kill", and so they do.

The theme of Holocaust Memorial Day 2024, *The Fragility of Freedom*", is apposite, is it not, as relevant (and as forgotten) now as ever. How easy it can be to retain thoughts about others that impact negatively on our relationships with them? How easy it can be to knock the life out of someone by careless (or deliberate!) looks, words or gestures? How many people (of all ages) are *'killed'* by thoughtless actions, the result of thoughts harboured about them, which translate so easily into action, even using the wonderful gifts of digital media to that end!

We must never dull the images here but hold them before our minds as we recall (if we ever do!) the 'more recent' genocides of Vietnam, Cambodia, Rwanda (and now Gaza?) and more. These are far distant and remote. 'At home' we must be cautious lest our behaviour introduce any limitation into anyone's life but value every person equally – and enhance each one's life as best we can.

What do you think?

Mass Information And Intentions For Week Beginning Sunday 28 January 2024					
8.30am 10.30am	Wappenbury Princethorpe	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Barbara O'Rourke (5 th ann) Children's Liturgy in the Prayer Room Refreshments after Mass			
Mass 8.30am	Wappenbury				
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No Mass		Memorial of St John Bosco, Priest			
No Mass					
No Mass		Feast of the Presentation of the Lord			
No Mass					
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Safeguarding Information From The Archdiocese of Birmingham Office

The St Anne's Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance, and the National and Archdiocese policies & procedures always.

The Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

Sunday Collection - 28 January 2024

Date						
21 January 2024	£111.00	Piety Stall: £20.00	£92.93	Collection		

Diary Dates							
Tuesday 27 February	7.00pm	Wappenbury	St Anne's Parish Council Meeting				
Saturday 2 March	10.00am - 12noon	Wappenbury	Winter Tidy -Up				
Saturday/Sunday 19/20 April		Wappenbury	Episcopal Visitation by Canon Paul Fitzpatrick				

Information For You

Following the recent meeting of the Finance Committee it was agreed by all the members present that the committee will be known as 'St Anne's Parish Council'. The committee will still have responsibility for the financial oversight of the parish and also the arrangements of both cemeteries, and many other matters within the parish.

Celebrations – Wedding Anniversaries

Congratulations to Tim Malin's Mum, Melanie and Dad, David, who celebrated their Diamond wedding anniversary this week. Also, congratulations to Fr Teddy's sister, Mary and brother-in-law, Tom, who will also celebrate their Diamond anniversary next Friday 2 February.

Do you have anniversaries that you would like to share with the parish? I am sure many would like to pray for you on these occasions.

Catholic Life And Sacramenta At St Anne's

As in all parishes, sacramental life is important for families at whatever age children and adults may be. Here are some basic guidelines about arranging any of the sacraments. Contact should be made to the parish office at fr.teddy.obrien@rcaob.org.uk or with stanne@rcaob.org.uk

Baptism: Parents requesting Baptism for their child(ren) should contact Fr. Teddy at least three months in advance of their desired date. Thay should have some suggested dates in mind for the ceremony. Contact as above.

First Holy Communion: Parents who wish to present their child(ren) (under 16) for first Holy Communion during 2024 should contact Fr Teddy no later than 7 February 2024. For older children and adults, contact Fr Teddy directly for information.

Confirmation: Parents, with children under 16 years of age who request Confirmation, should contact Fr Teddy, and those over the age of 16 should contact Fr Teddy direct, for Confirmation during 2025.

Marriage: Couples who wish to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage in St Anne's Parish must contact Fr Teddy directly at least twelve months prior to their desired date or email the parish secretary at stanne.wappenbury@rcaob.org.uk. Chapel dates, for either church, cannot be reserved until this has happened. In addition, couples should not make any final plans for anything related to their wedding until they have confirmed the church date in writing.

Information about the Catholic Faith. Those wishing to explore the Catholic Faith and who may wish to become members of the Catholic Community should contact Fr Teddy.

Sacrament of the Sick (formerly known as The Last Rites). Those who wish to receive this sacrament, or to receive Holy Communion at home, or if you are in hospital or about to go into hospital for any procedure, please contact Fr Teddy. You do not need to be seriously ill to request this sacrament.

Our Lady's Primary School Princethorpe: Parents wishing information about this school should contact the school directly on admin@ourladysprincethorpe.co.uk or on 01926 632385. Or contact Fr Teddy as above.

Cleaning St Anne's

Loretta will have the list with her again on Sunday at 10.30am Mass at Princethorpe. We are very fortunate that the College clean and preserve the Chapel at Princethorpe for our use. It means we do not, as a parish, have to spend any time cleaning it.

I ask you all to come forward and help with St Anne's, after all it is our parish church and needs to be kept in its current condition.

A big thank you to those of you who care for St Anne's in any way. Your time efforts are very much appreciated.

Stamps Collected On Their Way To The RNIB!

Thank you for all your efforts – easy way to support this charity – well done. You can still continue to collect stamps and pass on to Loretta or me.



A Brief History of Music – Stretton Village Hall – Friday 8 March 2024

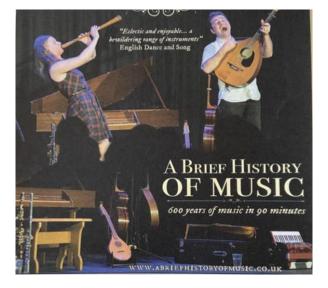
If you would like to support the Shoe-Box Appeal then please come along for an evening of great music and fun.

The live band will be playing through a brief history of music – 600 years of music in ninety minutes!

The doors and bar opens at 6.30pm, show to begin at 7.30pm. Tickets are £12 for adults and £6.00 for children. Tickets are available from Brookside Stores, in Stretton on Dunsmore, or from Pam Hopwood at church.

This will prove to be a super evening – all the proceeds from the bar and ticket sales will go directly to the Stretton

Shoe-Box Appeal.



Especially In Your Prayers This Week - For The Living

Prayers for any of our parishioners, relatives and friends who are suffering from Covid currently.

Fr Sean O'Brien MHM (96) who died on Monday morning 15 January in Dublin. Fr Sean is Fr Teddy's eldest brother. His funeral took place in Dublin recently. Hold Fr Sean's family in your prayers.

Tianna, who has had a grade 3 brain tumour removed and has begun Proton treatment. Please pray for Tianna's family **Yvonne** who is at home receiving on-going treatment. As with all those who are ill, Yvonne asks for your prayers.

Michael, parish groundsman, who is in UHC following an operation.

Con (Marie Malin's father) who is now at home with carers.

Roy Pendleton who is in the Rehabilitation Hospital Leamington Spa.

Fr Michael Curran MSC who fell recently and broke his hip.

Tracey, not a parishioner, friend of Julie Satchwell, who has been diagnosed with ovarian cancer and other complications. **Ian Milligan**, and Ian's wife Julie, Basil's sister, still fragile and unwell. Thank you for your continuing prayers.

Alice, who had a difficult time over Christmas. Pray for her and James, and David and Sonia.

Liz Griffin and family as all remember their parents.

John (18yrs) who has been diagnosed with life changing cancer. Please hold John, his family and friends, and the medical profession dealing with this and similar situations, in your prayers.

Margaret, a supporter of the Shoe Box appeal, would like to thank you all for your prayers.

Joyce, friend of Bernie Sambrook, who has begun chemotherapy for breast cancer.

Peter Power, who is in hospital at the moment awaiting some treatment. Please pray for Peter and Una.

Celia Dupre, friend of Jane and Tony Phayer. Receiving palliative hospice care in the USA.

Yve and Sean Butterfield, friends of Marie Kerrigan. Please pray for all the family at this very difficult time.

Sue Kimberley's family on the unexpected death of their father, John, in Greece. Pray for Jo, James and Adele and their children. **Adele Kimberley**, Sue's daughter, who is ill with a multiple of illnesses.

Sophie (22) who returned from university recently. Hold Sophie and family in your prayers.

Patricia, who is recovering very slowly from an operation and needs our prayers.

Heather, who experienced her treatment recently. She is recovering at home at present.

Janet and Jim Murray. Janet's younger sister, Andrena, has been diagnosed with breast cancer. Please hold all in your prayers. Please also hold Janet's other sister in your prayers.

Sue who started a further round of chemotherapy recently.

Alan Roberts and family, Adrian and Melanie. Alan's wife, Judith Roberts, died last year. Hold Alan, Adrian, and Melanie in your prayers.

Frances who is awaiting the results of tests.

Sally who welcomes your prayers.

Jenny who is having treatment for cancer.

Paula Mattocks and family on the death of Paula's father.

Margaret Simmons whose husband, Peter, died last year.

Richard whose mother, Eileen died last year.

Carole, Rev Hugh Priestner's wife, who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

Padraig has had good news. Please continue your prayers.

Margaret, cousin of Veronica, who has acute renal failure.

Trevor who is suffering from too much iron in his blood.

Irene with her continuing health difficulties. Hold Liam and Irene's parents in your prayers.

Celia who is unwell

Elizabeth who is waiting for a serious operation.

Anthony Platt, friend of Kathy Bond

John as he buried his brother.

Paul, a paramedic friend of Kathy Bond, Stretton on Dunsmore.

Josie who has been fast tracked for tests.

Frances, friend of Marie Kerrigan, as she awaits an operation, hoping to save sight in one eye.

Shelley, friend of Janet and Jimmy Murray, who is having extensive treatment.

John, Pray for Clare and family.

Veronica and Paul, please continue your prayers for them.

John (75) diagnosed with bladder cancer.

Karen, waiting results of an exploratory investigation.

Frank

Carolyn, who is ill with breast cancer.

For Those Who Have Died and For Their Families - Our Prayers This Week

Fr Chris Greaney RIP who died unexpectedly recently. Fr Chris celebrated Mass here on many occasions.

Fr John Lomas RIP who died unexpectedly recently. I spent time with Fr John on retreat last November.

Paul Gandy's sister who died recently.

Ellie Taylor RIP, friend of Marie Kerrigan. Ellie was a past parent of Princethorpe College. Please pray for Ellie's family.

Frances McCallum RIP, Mary McGowan niece, who died in Scotland after a short illness. Please pray for Mary and all the family.

Matilde Carrasquilla RIP, Melina's grandmother (her father's mother), passed away recently. Please pray for all the family.

Judith Roberts RIP (70s) who died recently.

David Easingwood RIP, 21 June. David was a former parishioner of St Anne's who moved to Canada in 1981...

Mary McKeown RIP

Mary McCorriston RIP

Michael McCorriston RIP

Adrian Johnson RIP, father of Chloe Johnson. Hold Chloe and all Adrian's wide family in your prayers.

Betty Scannell RIP (101), aunt of Sean Kerrigan, please pray for Sean, Maria and all the family.

Paul Spencer RIP, grandad to Lumen for whom we prayed a lot in recent years.

Joe Young RIP father of Joe and Alice Young, former pupils of Princethorpe College.

Alan McCarry RIP, father of Paula Mattocks.

Margaret Huett RIP, Stretton on Dunsmore.

Peter Simmons RIP, please hold Margaret and family in your prayers.

Anne Greene RIP, Anne is a friend of Peter Power's family.

Eileen Maguire RIP, hold Richard and Paula, and family in your prayers.

Deacon Joe Patterson RIP, please pray for all the family and friends of Deacon Joe.

Anthony Kelly RIP, pray for his wife, Doreen and family.

Joan Keegan RIP, Mary McGowan's (senior) sister, **and John Mullaney RIP**, please pray for Mary and all Joan and John's wider family.

Martin Slater RIP, son of Des and Eileen Slater

Elaine RIP, Mary and Brian Gould's niece. Please continue your prayers for all the family.

Simon Trotter RIP (65), Pray for Patsy, Oliver, Lucy and Amelia.

Bill Busby RIP. Remember Yvonne in your prayers.

Barbara RIP, Bernie Sambrook's mother. Pray for Bernie and family.

Rev David Shaw RIP, friend of Kathy Bond. Please pray for David's family and friends.

Jean RIP, aunt to Tim Malin. Pray for Tim and Maria and all the family.

Eileen Merry RIP, friend of Mary Hewitt. Her family wish to thank you for all your prayers.

Peter Mernagh RIP, cousin of Peter Power. Please keep all the family in your prayers.

Irene Bett RIP, great aunt to Tim and Maria Malin and family. Please pray for the family.

Rory Ryan (63) RIP, cousin to Janet Murray.

Dougie Williams RIP, Flo, Glen, Aoife and Máiréad Dalrymple ask for prayers for all the extended family. Dougie was married to Pauline for sixty-three years.

Pauline RIP, friend of Marie Kerrigan.

Helen O'Reilly RIP

Kieran RIP

Ken RIP

John RIP Remember Clare in your prayers.

John Dobie RIP

Myrtle Forster (64) RIP Remember Marie in your prayers.

Joan and Sister RIP Remember Sandra in your prayers.

Mont RIP Remember Roy in your prayers.

Vacancies At The Princethorpe Foundation

School Registrar and Marketing Secretary – Crescent School, Rugby - Required to work as part of the team in our busy school office, providing the first and main point of contact for all prospective parents. In particular, you will administer all aspects of the pupil admissions process for Crescent School, working closely with the Head. The post holder will provide regular and frequent reports for analysis purposes. In addition, the role will require proactive marketing activity, working closely with the Foundation's Marketing Team and a degree of general office support at busy times.

In addition, as part of the marketing element, the post holder will play a key part in the generation of content for and administration of the weekly publication of the school's electronic newsletter, The Courier.

The job holder will have excellent organisational and communication skills; a flexible approach and the ability to manage a varied workload.

Application: To apply for this vacancy, applicants must submit a Princethorpe Foundation application form, together with a CV and covering letter detailing personal qualities, experience and how you meet the person specification for the role. Applicants must ensure the application form is fully completed, including a detailed career history with specific dates. Closing date Monday 29 January 2024. Further information here

Sixth Form Administrator – Princethorpe College - Required for an immediate start, we are recruiting a part-time Sixth Form Administrator to be responsible for providing administrative support for the Head of Sixth Form, Assistant Heads of Sixth Form, and the Head of Careers, whilst also providing supervision of students in the Sixth Form Resource Centre, which is a key part of this role.

A close, efficient, and effective working relationship between the Administrator and the Head of\Assistant Heads of Sixth Form and the Head of Careers is essential as is the ability to relate to and supervise students in an appropriate manner in the Resource Centre.

Interested candidates should ideally have experience in a similar position and will have excellent communication, organisation, and customer service skills; the ability to work under pressure and to deadlines in a fast-paced environment; will be articulate, friendly, professional and well presented, and a team player. Strong IT skills, particularly in Microsoft Office, are essential.

Potential candidates are strongly encouraged to visit the school's website www.princethorpe.co.uk for more information about our thriving School, which offers a rich curriculum and strong sense of community. Continuing Professional Development is encouraged and personal visits to the school are welcome.

This is an excellent opportunity to join a Foundation that values its staff and offers a rewarding benefits package including a cycle to work scheme. Closing date Wednesday 31 January 2024. Further information here

Digital Transformation Leader – The Princethorpe Foundation - The Princethorpe Foundation is taking the next exciting step in our digital transformation journey, with the recruitment of a Digital Transformation Leader. The Digital Transformation Leader will play a key role in changing the way The Princethorpe Foundation operates, developing the use of leading-edge technologies across all areas of the Foundation to deliver transformative solutions that support the Foundation's aims and strategy.

The successful candidate will be responsible for driving the digital transformation of teaching and support functions across our three Foundation schools, implementing innovative solutions and developing and implementing IT systems, processes, and methodologies to create both time and cost efficiencies.

It is envisaged that this Digital Transformation role will intially be part-time, at around 20 hours per week. However, for the right candidate there is the opportunity to also undertake an IT Engineer Role for an additional 20 hours per week, creating a 40 hour per week full-time role. There is also scope to increase the working hours of the Digital Transformation Leader over time. Closing date Monday 5 February 2024. Further information here

IT Engineer – Princethorpe College - We are seeking to recruit an experienced, motivated and enthusiastic IT Engineer to join our IT Support Department.

Working as part of a team, the successful candidate will provide first-line IT support to our staff and pupils throughout the Foundation. Listening and engaging, you'll resolve issues and escalate to Managers when appropriate.

This is an all-year-round role for 20-hours per week. Core hours are 9.00am to 5.00pm, Monday to Friday, and agreement on specific hours to be worked will be agreed upon appointment. However, due to the nature of the role, there is a requirement to occasionally work outside normal working hours and these hours can be claimed as time off in lieu.

There is an opportunity to combine this role with that of Digital Transformation Leader for the right candidate, also at 20 hours per week. The salary range is D5 to D8 of the Princethorpe Foundation Salary scale, £22,971 to £23,868 based on full-time equivalent. (Actual salary will be £12,251 to £12,729 per annum) by negotiation, depending on qualifications and relevant experience. 25 days holiday per annum plus bank holidays. Closing date Monday 5 February 2024. Further information here

Payroll Officer – Princethorpe College - Required for March 2024 we are seeking an experienced and dedicated Payroll Officer to prepare and process the school's payroll operations, ensuring that each stage of the payroll process is actioned properly; that all staff are paid correctly; that appropriate and accurate information is provided to the Finance Manager and that correct information and payments are made to HMRC, pension providers and other statutory bodies.

This is a permanent all-year-round 15-20 hour a week role based at Princethorpe College. Working hours and days are flexible and can be discussed at interview, but they must coincide with the Foundation's pay day for staff of the 26 of each month. Closing date Monday 12 February 2024. Further information here

Learning Support Assistant – Little Crackers, Crackley Hall, Kenilworth - We are seeking to appoint a suitably qualified and motivated Learning Support Assistant to a Nursery pupil. The person appointed will work closely with the Nursery Teacher, Nursery Manager and the Learning Support Department. You will provide support for an individual, sometimes in a group situation and assist teachers in the development and education of the child in your care. We see our learning support assistants as a key part of the team in the classrooms, who can have an enormous impact on teaching and learning. You will be a part of supporting the lessons and expected to contribute to the ongoing assessment of pupil progress.

Alongside these key tasks, you will also be required to undertake a range of tasks related to classroom activities and provide basic supervision and care skills.

Minbus Driver - Princethorpe College - We seek to recruit a minibus driver to join our friendly and professional Estates Department, to drive the Foundation minibuses to transport pupils, primarily to sports fixtures, in a competent and safe manner. The candidate will be enthusiastic, reliable and have good communication skills.

This is a zero-hour fixed-term casual contract with consignments of work to be advised in advance by the line manager. The salary grade is D5 to D8, £11.78 to £12.24 per hour. Salary is by negotiation, depending on relevant experience. Closing date Monday 18 March 2024. Further information here

Other opportunities at Princethorpe College – Exam Invigilators, SEND Support staff, Cover Teaching Staff, Games Coaching Staff. These vacancies come up from time to time. Please use the link here to find more information.