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

Sunday 22 September 2024

Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Fr Teddy O'Brien MSC - Parish Priest

Year B

The parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham

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Second Collection - Father Hudson's Society

"A Bridge Too Far" – a memory or a film?

This week the death of over one thousand soldiers in the Battle of Arnhem 80 years ago is recalled, not remembered, because there are few alive for whom this is a memory. For most, it is a fact of history, of no significance for present day men and women. Were it a memory, it might have impacted upon us.

Elie Wiesel, a survivor of the Holocaust, in his Nobel Prize lecture delivered in Oslo in 1986 in acceptance of the Nobel Peace Prize, voices his hope that "the memory of evil will serve as a shield against evil." It does seem that his hopes have not materialised, do they?

It is hard, indeed, to imagine any tragedies impacting upon us nowadays to the extent that they become integrated it into our consciousness. How quickly news headlines change. Perhaps it is the product of a hungry media needing to feed us regularly with 'news', but it does seem as if there is more evil and wrong doing now than in recent years: local, national and international. And does it not seem, also, that there is a speedier relegation of evil from headlines into memory?

In his books, Wiesel weaves together reminiscences of his life before the Holocaust, his struggle to find meaning afterward, and the actions he has taken on behalf of others. He was a leading advocate of humanity and earned him the Nobel Peace Prize. He concluded that, because of Auschwitz, 'everything had to be reassessed because everything had changed, and this is our invitation and challenge today: personal and community reassessment to seek meaning and evolve appropriate action.

Archbishop Bernard, in his Pastoral Letter this weekend, invites us, in a timely manner, to heighten our awareness of others' neediness at home and abroad so that their concerns and needs become integrated into our consciousness, not only when there is a special collection, but as a part and parcel of our daily lives. Famine, violence, abuse are not 'events' to be talked about 'from time to time', or memories' to be recalled, but accompaniments to our very way of living. Wiesel reminds us, concluding his lecture, that "peace is not God's gift to God's creatures, it is our gift to each other".

We are now well and truly 'post Covid' Archbishop Bernard wants to reawaken within us that powerful response that was evident during and after Covid – 'love one another AS I have loved you'. He appropriately renames Fr Hudson's as Charitas – Love. Once again, quoting Wiesel: 'forgetting (after the Holocaust) is not an option'. Neither is it an option for us. We are our brothers' and sisters' keepers.

As we hear of the tragedy of Arnhem, just one of many war time catastrophes, we thank God for what we have received, how blessed and fortunate we have become. Perhaps our current, and projected, future is our invitation to reassess. We do have so much, do we not, and so much that can be shared.

Mass Information And Intentions For Week Beginning Sunday 22 September 2024						
Sunday 22 September	8.30am 10.30am	Wappenbury Princethorpe	Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year Second Collection – Father Hudson's Socie Rob Balmer RIP Refreshments after both Masses Children's Liturgy today in the Prayer Rooo			
Monday 23 September	No Mass		Memorial of St Pius of Pietrelcina			
	6.00pm	Wappenbury	First Holy Communion preparation			
Tuesday 24 September	10.00am Mass	Wappenbury	Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham			
Wednesday 25 September	No Mass 7.00pm Mass	Wappenbury Rugby	Golden Jubilee Mass: Fr Gerry Murray			
Thursday 26 September	10.00am Mass	Wappenbury				
Friday 27 September	No Mass		Memorial of St Vincent de Paul			
Saturday 28 September	No Mass					
Sunday 29 September	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass	Wappenbury Princethorpe	Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B Refreshments after both Masses Allan Stewart RIP			

Sunday Collection - 15 September 2024

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Date	Wappenbury Offertory	Second Collection	Princethorpe Offertory	Second Collection				
15 September 2024	£63.20	Catholic Evangelisation £26.20	£75.50	Catholic Evangelisation £2.00				

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 <u>safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk</u> if you have any concerns.

Diary Dates							
Note: Change of Date to	10.00am -12.00 noon	Wappenbury	Autumn Tidy-up				
Saturday 5 October		•					

Update Please, The Prayer Lists

If you have requested prayers on either of the lists, please can you update them by letting Loretta or me know as soon as possible.

Some of those mentioned have been in hospital a very long time. It would be good to have accurate information on these sick people.

Over the next few weeks, the list of the deceased will be considered carefully too. Thank you.

Catholic Life And Sacraments At St Anne's

First Holy Communion: Parents who wish to present their child(ren) (under 16) for first Holy Communion during 2025 should contact Fr Teddy now. Closing date for application **11 October 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.

Children's Liturgy

This is a special ministry, organised by Clare and the team. Great care is taken to ensure that the way the readings are presented is age appropriate for the children, helping them to understand the bible using their own language.

In more recent times, a child of any age could participate in the Children's Liturgy. This happened because there were so few children at Mass and the Children's Liturgy might have ceased if I set an age limit. I did not want this to happen, and I was unsure how to proceed.

I am sure you will understand how difficult it is to relate at once to children of varying ages when the age gap is too wide. For this reason, the Children's Liturgy will now be for children of school age from 4 years upwards to 10 years. I believe that children over 10 should be in church with the rest of the congregation listening to the Word of God with their family. I would like to accommodate children of all ages but that is just not possible right now.

Please come and talk with me if you have concerns about this.

Large Jars Required, Please

Tim Malin's father is very busy pickling onions. If anyone has large jars that they could spare, please bring along to either Mass on Sunday. Many thanks.

St Anne's Website - In Memory

There is a page on the St Anne's website for any anniversaries that we hold dear to our hearts. Please take a few minutes to have a look. If you would like your loved one remembered, then please get in touch with Loretta. The dates are kept in monthly order.

If you notice information that is incorrect and needs updating, please let Loretta know. Thank you

The website page link is here



Lost Property

This sweatshirt and cap were left at St Anne's following the Summer Gathering.

If they are yours, or know who they belong to, please collect from the porch table at St Anne's.

Thank you

2025 Admissions to Princethorpe College

An opportunity for you!

Year 6 Taster Day - Wednesday 25 September (for those who have not previously attended a Taster Day) To book a place on any of the above event parents should use this link.

The College's Admissions deadline for places in 2025 is Friday 27 September:

VAT on School Fees - Princethorpe College's Response

We have just announced our response to the Government's plan to introduce VAT to private school fees from January 2025. If implemented the College will be reducing its fees so that the gross increase passed on to parents will be 5%, substantially less than the 20% VAT rate, which we hope will come as good news. For more on the fees and our strategy, please visit www.princethorpe.co.uk/vat-on-school-fees

New Admissions Podcast Out Now!

Our new Admissions podcast series, Pathway to Princethorpe, is now available. Tune in to hear the Registrars talk through all aspects of choosing the right school for your child and FAQs relating to admissions at Princethorpe. Parents can search Pathway to Princethorpe on YouTube, Spotify or Amazon Music or visit this link.

Online Registration

Those parents ready to register can access an online Year 7 to 10 Registration Form and FAQs to guide them through the application process. The online form can be accessed at this link.

If you or your families have any questions about the admissions process or Princethorpe College itself, please do get in touch and we will be happy to assist.

If I have used an incorrect or out of date contact for this letter, please let me know so that I can update the information. Thank you for your assistance and best wishes for the new academic year.

Yours sincerely

Catherine Rogers

Registrar

Support The Shoe-Box Appeal In Two Ways, Please

Stoneleigh Church are hosting a Coffee Morning on Saturday 5 October in support of the Shoe-Box Charity.

The morning will begin with refreshments at 10.30am, a presentation and film from 11.00am. The morning will conclude at about 12noon.

Please do come along. The address is Church Lane, Stoneleigh, CV8 3DN

Pam Hopwood is also looking for donations of value packs of:

- Pants for boys and girls aged 6-11 years of age.
- Soap, toothpaste, combs, flannels
- Sweets wrapped, no chocolate, with an end date of March 2025



A donation of £3.00 – each box costs this amount to transport overseas. If you wish to make a donation, please pop the money in an envelope marked 'shoe-box' and give it to Pam/Loretta or me - thank you

On Their Way



The first van load pictured here with 688 boxes.

Princethorpe College assist with the collection of items for the shoe-boxes, a donation towards some of the transport costs together with a member of staff to drive one of their vans to the warehouse hub in Evesham. Thank you Princethorpe College!

A Request, If You Are III At Home Or In Hospital......,

If you are about to *go into* hospital or if you are *in* hospital, or if you have been recently discharged, or if you are ill at home, please let me know as soon as possible by ringing my **mobile** and, if I am not then available, please leave a message. Remember please, I cannot respond if I do not know.

If you are absent from Mass for some weeks, I will not conclude that you are ill. Many of you visit families over weekends. And if I cannot immediately respond by taking Holy Communion to you, I will ask one of our Eucharistic Ministers to call to see you.

Especially In Your Prayers This Week - For The Living

Meabh Barratt (3) lives with her family in Ireland. She is undergoing tests in Ireland and the results will be sent to Alder Hay Children's Hospital, Liverpool. Please pray for this young child and her family.

Francesca who begins chemotherapy this coming Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Pray for her husband and family.

Fr Martin Morrissey MSC, who is recovering in hospital from a fall.

Bro Donal Hallissey MSC who is receiving care in a nursing home in Cork.

Di Downes and family, whose husband, Jonathan died recently at home.

Sue Kimberley as she continues with another round of chemotherapy.

Fr Teddy's family as they said farewell to Kathleen last Monday.

John, brother-in-law of Veronica, recently diagnosed with prostate cancer.

Marie, Veronica's sister, who is having major surgery on her spine on Thursday.

Emma's family as they prepare to say goodbye to her.

Johnny Stott (20s), younger brother to Melody Kerrigan, who has been diagnosed with a brain tumour. Hold the Stott and Kerrigan families in your prayers.

The O'Keeffe family as they prepare for the funeral of Dermot's mother, Maureen, on Monday 16 September.

Patrick who is suffering from cancer. Recent news has been discouraging.

Patrick's son (40) who suffered a stroke recently. Hold his wife and family in your prayers.

Mary Owen whose mother, Gaby, died recently in Rugeley, Staffs. Hold Mary and family in your prayers.

Paula Loveitt whose sister, Denise Harris (50), died recently. Pray for Paula's three sisters, her mum and her wider family.

Sue Kimberley and her daughter Adele. Both thank God for improvement in Adele's condition.

Michael, parish groundsman, who has moved to a Care Home in Rugby. He misses working in our gardens and cemeteries. Michael needs your prayers.

Debbie, a former member of the College catering staff.

David Scannell's cousin, whose funeral was held recently.

Florence Thomas whose cousin, Tommy (69), died unexpectedly recently in Ireland.

Paul and Sandra Waddoups ask for your prayers. Paul is recovering at home from a brief spell in hospital.

Sonia Maceluch, Alice and James as they mourn the death of David.

Josh's family who are experiencing family difficulties at this time. You may recall Josh died recently in a car accident.

The O'Keeffe family as they mourn the death of John Patrick. Hold Bonni, his wife, and brother Dermot in your prayers.

Sonia is awaiting further news on her health issues.

Roy Pendleton who is currently residing in Galanos House, Southam.

Peter Power who is recovering at home from recent medical treatment.

Ed Hester's father who is ill at home.

Samantha and Peter Swann. Samantha's older son, Ricky, was killed in a tragic road accident earlier this year, together with his friend, Josh. Both men were in their twenties.

John and Caroline. John (major surgery for a tumour, Caroline's friend).

Noah aged 4, in Birmingham Children's Hospital with a rare brain tumour.

Carl, son in law to Elizabeth Wilson, diagnosed with a lifelong, very rare condition. Please pray for Carl and all the family. **Margaret**, a friend of Fen Whittle, who has successfully completed cancer treatment. Margaret and the family thank you for all your prayers.

Tianna, who has had a grade 3 brain tumour removed and has begun Proton treatment. Please pray for Tianna's family **Con** (Marie Malin's father) who is now at home with carers.

Tracey, not a parishioner, friend of Julie Satchwell, who has been diagnosed with ovarian cancer.

lan Milligan, and lan's wife Julie, Basil's sister, still fragile and unwell. Thank you for your continuing prayers.

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.

Joyce, friend of Bernie Sambrook, is in remission now. Joyce would like to thank you for all your prayers.

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

Sophie (22)

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

Frances, friend of Marie Kerrigan who has received good news that her sight has been saved. Prayers greatly appreciated. **Sally** who welcomes your prayers.

Jenny who is having treatment for cancer.

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

Elizabeth who is waiting for a serious operation.

Anthony Platt, friend of Kathy Bond

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

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

Kathleen O'Brien OP 94yrs (Sr Laetitia OP) RIP Fr Teddy's sister, who died in London on Saturday afternoon 24 August. **Jonathan Downes RIP,** who died at home last Sunday.

Emma, a friend of Mary Owen. Emma died peacefully last week. Hold Emma, her family and friends in your prayers.

Allan Stewart RIP, a friend of Pam Hopwood, whose wife, Moira and family, who do a lot for the shoe-box team.

Raymond Heald RIP, friend of Patsy Monahan.

Maureen O'Keeffe RIP who died recently. Hold the O'Keeffe family in your prayers.

Gaby Owen RIP, Mary Owen's mother who died recently. Please pray for Mary and all the family.

Denise Harris (50) RIP, who died recently. Hold Alexandra and Denise' sisters and family in your prayers.

Fr Michael Smythe MSC RIP, who died recently in Galway.

Yvonne Busby RIP. Please pray for all the family.

Tommy (69) RIP, first cousin of Florence Thomas.

David Scannell RIP, cousin of Sean Kerrigan. Prayers please for his wife, Monica and all David's family.

John O'Brien RIP, brother-in-law of Liz Bates. Please pray for Maria and all the family.

David Maceluch RIP, please pray for Sonia, Alice, James and Lily.

Celia Dupre RIP. friend of Jane and Tony Phayer.

Bridget Mernagh RIP, aunt to Peter Power. Please pray for Bridget's family.

Cissie Power RIP, Peter's mother

Bernard Gallagher RIP, brother to Fr Frank Gallagher MSC (retired)

Stacy Busby, Bill's niece

Paul Gandy's sister RIP

Ellie Taylor RIP, please pray for Ellie's family.

Frances McCallum RIP, Mary McGowan niece. Please pray for Mary and all the family.

Judith Roberts RIP (70s)

Mary McKeown RIP

Paul Spencer RIP

Margaret Huett RIP

Bill and Yvonne Busby RIP

Barbara RIP, Pray for Bernie and family.

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

John RIP Remember Clare in your prayers.

John Dobie RIP

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

Mont RIP Remember Roy in your prayers.

Opportunities At Princethorpe College

Site Supervisor, Crackley Hall, Kenilworth Required to start in November, we seek to recruit a full-time Site Supervisor to oversee and coordinate day to day 'caretaker' functions at Crackley Hall School, such as reactive maintenance, PPM's, compliance checks, porterage, cleaning and security.

This exciting and wide-ranging role is remotely managed by the Head of Estates and Sustainability, but the Site Supervisor is the key person 'on the ground', ensuring that their site is fully functional, organised, clean, tidy, secure and well maintained.

The role is all year round (52 weeks per year) for 37.5-hours per week (with a one-hour unpaid break per day). The working pattern will vary on a rota basis, working a week of 6.45am to 3.15pm shifts and a week of 10.30am to 7.00pm shifts. The working days are predominately Monday to Friday, though weekend work will occasionally be required.

The starting salary for this role is between D13 to D16 of the Princethorpe Foundation support staff scale, currently £26,589 to £27,612 per annum full-time equivalent by negotiation, depending on qualifications and relevant experience. Closing date Monday 30 September 2024. Further information here

Further Opportunities

From time to time the College look to recruit additional teaching and support staff. If you are interested in any of the below opportunities, please submit your CV and an accompanying letter, outlining the areas in which you are interested to recruitment@princethorpe.co.uk

Exam Invigilators – assist in the smooth running of the internal and public examinations.

SEND Support Staff – for in-class, small group and one-to-one work with pupils.

Cover Teaching Staff – being part of a team available for short-term and long-term supply work.

Games Coaching – to assist with our wide-ranging sports programme.