

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

Sunday 13 October 2024

Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
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Year B

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Assisted Living versus Assisted Dying

I wonder if it seems to you that we have surrendered on the issue of abortion, ceding the field of play to the 'pro choicers' and 'it is my body', and anyway 'it a matter of women's health? There is now little mention of the baby whose life is being ended. (I can almost hear some saying here, "why is he going on about it again? Wouldn't he let it rest"). So perhaps not here in UK again, but the abortion issue will surely be an issue in the American Presidential election next month.

Instead, we are faced here with the "Assisted Dying Bill", soon to be introduced in a private member's Bill in the House by MP Kim Leadbeater. The Assisted Dying Bill is a proposed law in the UK that would allow terminally ill patients to end their lives with medical supervision. The bill proposes that terminally ill patients with a life expectancy of less than six months be given the option of a medically assisted death, subject to legal safeguards.

Do you remember the *legal safeguards* that were guaranteed in the Abortion Bill in 1967 and where these are in 2024!

It is expected that there will be a first vote on this bill on 29 November in the House when MPs will be afforded a freedom of conscience vote. Just how 'free' that will be remains to be seen. In 2021 MPs rejected the call for this bill to become law. With the huge current majority, I wonder about the power of 'conscience'.

What can you and I do to influence this vote? Precious little, I would say, 'other than' to pray. 'Other than' suggesting a futile exercise assuring us that we have done something, letting us feel somewhat better.

However, I do hope that we have not lost faith in the power of prayer. I know that those who have suffered, and continue to suffer, through prolonged illness or bereavement, retain a strong certainty that prayer continues to effect change. Writing to our own MP can also effect change. I wonder what the two together could achieve?!

As we think on this bill, we might think as well about the elderly folk that we know and how it could impact upon them. They continue to need assisted living, and assurances, from us all. As a community, we give that assurance so well, of their importance to us and of their special place in our hearts. We thank God for this.

When were you last influenced or effected by prayer?

Mass Information And Intentions For Week Beginning Sunday 13 October 2024

Sunday 13 October	8.30am 10.30am	Wappenbury Princethorpe	Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B Stephen Cusworth (33rd anniversary) Children's Liturgy today in the Prayer Room Refreshments after both Masses
Monday 14 October	No Mass 6.00pm	Wappenbury	First Holy Communion preparation
Tuesday 15 October	8.30am Mass	Wappenbury	Memorial of St Teresa of Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church
Wednesday 16 October	8.30am Mass	Wappenbury	
Thursday 17 October	8.30am Mass	Wappenbury	Memorial of St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr
Friday 18 October	8.30am Mass	Wappenbury	Feast of St Luke, Evangelist
Saturday 19 October	5.30pm Mass	Southam	
Sunday 20 October	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass	Wappenbury Princethorpe	Twenty Nineth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B Children's Liturgy today in the Prayer Room Refreshments after both Masses

Sunday Collection – 6 October 2024

Date	Wappenbury Offertory	Second Collection	Princethorpe Offertory	Second Collection
6 October 2024	£131.67	CAFOD £106.96	£119.01	CAFOD £23.05

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.

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 applications **18 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

Clare, Rachel and Mary work hard to help the children understand the liturgy each Sunday in term time. I would like to thank Stephanie too, who has recently stepped down for her work with the children.

At the moment, the numbers are few. Please consider carefully the value this wonderful ministry would bring to your school age child. We need more children each week to succeed in the future.

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

Cleaning St Anne's – Your Parish Church – HELP, HELP, HELP!

It is not a hard job to keep St Anne's clean and tidy. The faithful few could do with some help, please.

The most it takes is two hours with two people. Please let Loretta or me know when you are available, and we will put you on the list.

The only proviso is that you let me know which day in the week you are coming so I can give you access to the cleaning things in the garage.

Thank you

St Anne's Website – In Memory On The Website

Thank you to those of you who have contacted Loretta with updates to the web page. 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](#)

November Tidy-Up at St Anne's – Another Date To Be Confirmed

A big **'thank you'** to those who came to St Anne's last Saturday morning 5th October to continue keeping the estate tidy. A lot of work was done, and done well, with marvellous camaraderie and good humour. One couple of hours more in November will see the grounds looking good for the winter. Do come and offer your talent and your energy.

Cards for Various Occasions

In the porch at St Anne's, you will find miscellaneous cards for various occasions. Please feel free to take one or more. A donation of £1.00 per card would be appreciated.

Congratulations Are In Order!



Huge congratulations to Samantha Swann on the celebration of her First Holy Communion and Confirmation at St Anne's last Sunday morning.

The St Anne's Community welcomes Samantha wholeheartedly to our small but well supported parish.

God bless you and Peter.

Especially In Your Prayers This Week – For The Living

Martha, Karen Walls mother-in-law. Is very ill in Antrim hospital. Some of the Martha's family have travelled from UK to be with her. Hold them in your prayer during these difficult days.

The Kealey family as they mourn the death of Isobel O'Hara (nee Kealey) in Ireland.

Trudy and James Capstick, as they remember their baby, Anna, who died ten years ago yesterday, 28th September.

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 ongoing chemotherapy. 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 recently.

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

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

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 grieve for Dermot's mother, Maureen.

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.

Ian Milligan, and Ian'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.

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

Isobel O'Hara (nee Kealey) RIP who died recently in Ireland.

David Butler RIP, a neighbour of Loretta's, who died unexpectedly at home recently. Pray for Sandy and all the family.

Kathleen O'Brien OP 94yrs (Sr Laetitia OP) RIP Fr Teddy's sister, who died recently.

Jonathan Downes RIP, who died at home recently.

Emma RIP, a friend of Mary Owen. Emma died peacefully recently. 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 RIP, 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

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

Assistant Head (Pastoral) – Crackley Hall, Kenilworth - Required to start ideally after February half-term or as soon as possible thereafter, we are looking to recruit an Assistant Head (Pastoral) to join the team at Crackley Hall, a high achieving, thriving and happy Catholic school of 300 pupils aged 2 to 11 years.

The Assistant Head (Pastoral) will be an inspiring, emotionally intelligent and approachable senior leader who is naturally passionate about ensuring the best possible pastoral care for the pupils of our school and will make a significant contribution to the wellbeing of the extended school community, including staff. They will work alongside other members of the Senior Leadership Team to lead, guide and manage Crackley Hall School.

The Assistant Head (Pastoral) is the Designated Safeguarding Lead and has primary responsibility for the provision of pastoral care within the school and will be responsible for the strategic overview and leadership of our pastoral provision.

As a key member of the leadership team, they will bring staff on the journey with them to achieve outstanding procedures and outcomes in these areas. The post requires them to promote the smooth running of the school, maintaining the ethos of a caring Christian school family with a Catholic school base.

This is a full-time leadership role in a busy and thriving school. As such, the Assistant Head (Pastoral) must be prepared to work beyond the normal hours of the school day when necessary. Closing date Monday 14 October 2024 with long-listed candidate interviews via TEAMS on Tuesday 15 October and final interviews at Crackley Hall School on Thursday 17 October. Further information [here](#)

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, portering, 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 21 October 2024. Further information [here](#)

Nursery Practitioner – Crackley Hall School - Required to start at the beginning of December or as soon as possible thereafter, we seek to recruit an enthusiastic and suitably qualified Nursery Practitioner to work as part of our Nursery Team.

This is an exciting opportunity to join a busy and happy nursery that has excellent outside facilities and the support of Crackley Hall School.

The job holder will work in the nursery setting, joining an established team under the direction of the Nursery Manager. The successful candidate will ensure that every child in their care is well-supported and encouraged to develop themselves as an individual.

This role is all year round working 39 hours a week spread over four days. Working days to be agreed with the Nursery Manager. The usual hours will be 7.45am to 6.00pm including a 30-minute unpaid break.

The starting salary for this role is at D5 of the Princethorpe Foundation support staff scale, currently £12.50 per hour, £24,375 per annum full-time equivalent, £25,350 actual pay.

Benefits include 25 days holiday per annum plus bank holidays (pro rata) to be taken during term time, unless agreed with the Nursery Manager. Closing date Monday 28 October 2024. Further information [here](#)

Trustee – The Princethorpe Foundation - The Princethorpe Foundation is looking for exceptional individuals who are able to shape the future of the Foundation and its three schools and nursery.

The role involves setting the vision and strategic direction of the Foundation together with the senior leadership team to maintain its ethos and ensure the quality of education for some 1,400 children aged 2 to 18.

Trustees are expected to attend four Governing Body meetings a year and normally attend one or two sub-committees according to their interests and experience. The Governing Body is responsible for the provision of education, overseeing budget allocation, agreeing on policies and procedures and ensuring compliance with statutory requirements.

Trustees are keen that we have a wide range of expertise, experience and backgrounds within the Governing Body. Core skills which are covered include: Education, Business Expertise, Law, Human Resources, Governance, Finance and Property.

Trustees ensure an understanding of the schools through visits and will receive appropriate induction and safeguarding training,

Trustees are guardians of the Catholic ethos of the Foundation based on friendship, kindness, compassion and love. We aim to prepare our pupils to be positive and active members of our diverse society, being generous of spirit in serving others. We want them to lead happy and fulfilled lives by giving them a deep understanding of the core values needed to build happy and healthy relationships.

About us

The Foundation is a registered charity, and trustees are also directors and members of the limited company. The aim is to provide a first-rate independent education and to create outstanding schools. If you are ready to make a lasting impact and lead transformative change in education, we invite you to join us.

Please contact recruitment@princethorpe.co.uk to arrange an initial conversation if you are interested in becoming a trustee.

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.

