

**Catholic Church Communities of
St. Anne & Blessed Dominic and St. Vincent de Paul**



Newsletter

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This Sunday:	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	
14 th July 2024	Sunday Cycle: Year B	Weekday Cycle: Year 2

THIS WEEK					
Saturday	13th July	5:00 pm	M	St A&B	Alan & Ian Jones
Sunday	14th July	9:30 am	M	St V	People of the Parish
		11:00am	M	St A&B	Brenda Molyneux
Wednesday	17th July	12noon	M	St A&B	Michael Hutt
Friday	19th July	9:15 am	M	St A&B	For Leavers of St Anne's School
Saturday	20th July	5:00 pm	M	St A&B	People of the Parish
Sunday	21st July	9:30 am	M	St V	Kathleen Spencer 90th Birthday
		11:00am	M	St A&B	Ted Bailey

Please remember in your Prayers:

Latently died: Brenda Molyneux, Irene King, James Wilson, James Cafferty, Michael Hutt.

Anniversaries: Agnes Doyle.

Lord, Your Friend Whom You love is Sick:

Archbishop Patrick Kelly, Emily Felber, Keith Shuttleworth, Mandy Bennett, Helen Smith, Louise Kowolik, Barbara Burns, Irene Johnson, Annie Lee, Kathleen Valentine, Joe Delaney, Alex Downey, Sam Glover, Alex McMillan, Alan McMillan, Anne Whitehouse, Moyra Lyon, Christine Terry, Isobelle McDonald, Sister Mado Kabut, Gisele Mwenze, Pat Burns, Laura Mahon, Terry Drury, Brian Fortune, Anna Potter, Kevin Burns.

Scripture readings are about confronting division, staying loyal to the authority of the Gospel.

In the first reading, we are introduced to Amos, one of the great prophets of the Old Testament, who was sent to the Northern Kingdom, Israel, which had reached the summit of its material power and prosperity. The land was full of plenty, the cities were elegantly built, the palaces were strongly defended, and the rich had their summer and winter villas adorned in costly ivory. At the same time there was widespread corruption and immorality. The poor were afflicted, exploited, even sold into slavery. There was an absence of justice and pity in the land: the judges were corrupt; the innocents were betrayed. Amos had the mission to denounce all these and disturb the "peace".

In the Gospel, Jesus summons the twelve apostles and sends them out on a missionary tour. Like the prophet Amos, the chosen followers of Jesus have to carry the word of God as a challenge to others. In that mission the apostles have the authority and the power of Jesus. They have to travel on that.

Both the prophets and the apostles have to rely on the authority and the power given to them. In taking to the road, they will test their message on foreign soil; they will see if their conviction can pass beyond the boundaries of national difference and personal indifference; they will discover if their vocation can survive the official stamp of disapproval.

This process continues every day in the life of the Church and the world every time a preacher braces himself to declare the word of God, every time a Christian goes public on the values of the Gospel, every time any man or woman takes a stand against injustice and discrimination. Let us pray this week for the grace to remain loyal to the word of God.

Lourdes petitions

Ciaran is going to Lourdes with the archdiocese and is willing to take your petitions to Lourdes. Please write your petitions using the table at the entrance of the Church and put them in the box of Lourdes petitions.

Priests in Retirement

They've Been There for Us; Let's Be There for Them

Our retired priests responded to the call to be priests, they devoted their lives and their all to serving God and God's people. Whilst they 'retire' at the age of 75, they are still priests for life. Many continue in ministry leading active lives – celebrating Mass, serving as chaplains, counselling people in need, supporting parish life and praying for us all.

The priests' retirement fund, known as the George Andrew Fund, ensures that our retired priests enjoy a dignified retirement. It supports independent living, providing them with a suitable home alongside other services. Above all, it makes sure that their social and healthcare needs are met. Our priests rely on this support after devoting their lives to the Church's mission and bringing people closer to Christ. Over the next ten years, approximately one third of our diocesan priests will reach retirement age, and the cost of care will rise significantly as a result of this. With your help, we can continue to offer our gratitude and support to our retired priests.

Please remember our sick and retired priests in your prayers.

Sing Into Autumn with Warrington Male Voice Choir.

Musical Director: Russell Paterson. Accompanist: Beth Paterson.

Saturday 7th September, 7:30 pm.

Venue: St Anne & Blessed Dominic Church.