

ST. ANSELM

Proclaiming Christ in Hayes

A year already!

What a difference

What a difference a year makes. This time last year we were preparing for my licensing on the 22nd July (Mary Magdalene). There was a brief respite in lockdown and there was a tantalising window where we just *may* be able to have it in person under very strict COVID controls.

It was a wonderful moment of light in an otherwise dark year. A gathering of real people in a real place - joining in praise and celebration - a very needed moment of joy.

My first year here has been shaped by that first service. We have continued to be locked down, to be controlled in what we are able to do with strict COVID rules and we have continued to find joy in communal celebration and

praise - despite these difficult circumstances.

We have worked together to make good in a difficult situation and have endured to make sure that the church is open for anyone that needs it.

We have rebuilt a community resource in our new church hall, we have feed the hungry, clothed the naked, given water to the thirsty and we have proclaimed the Gospel in word and deed!

We are prepared for the next year having spent this year getting ready for the world to re-open.

We are excited about what that world may bring to our door and where we may take the Gospel.



The future at St. Anselm is looking very bright indeed and that is all down to the wonderful people in this place.

Thank you for everything you've done over the last year. For being open to change and to new ideas. For being so loving and welcoming to new people. For being so loving and kind to Catherine, Edmund and I.

Here's to the next year!

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Please let Fr. Matthew know of illness or other need as soon as possible. He is available on the above number 24/7.

Prayer focus

The mission of our church here in Hayes - that we can reach out and bring new people to the love of Jesus Christ.

Worship focus

Please make a special effort to attend the deanery synod on Thursday evening at 7:30pm and the wave of prayer for St. Anselm.

This Sunday

Sunday 18th July

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time ●

3pm - Sung High Mass

with Bishop Jonathan

Divine Office Psalter Week 4, Year B(I)

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Notices

Thank you to everyone who has worked so hard this week to get the church cleaned and organised for Bishop Jonathan's visit. The hall and church are looking wonderful - a really inviting place to bring people.

Susan Chick will be giving a short talk on the spiritual benefits of Compline (night prayer) next Sunday (25th) after Evening Prayer and Benediction. We have a small number of books to give away to help you encounter this beautiful prayer.

We welcome our new Musical Director - Anthony Wang - this Sunday. Please make him feel very welcome and get your vocal cords in practice for the return of sung hymns from next Sunday!

Deanery Synod will be hosted at St. Anselm on Thursday (22nd) at 7:30pm - a special evening of prayer from across the deanery has been organised - please make a special effort to attend as we pray for the mission of Christ in this place.

Years Mind

19th July - Olive Martin, Sue Gordon

20th July - Gordon Reilly, John Maddix, Sylvia Skinner, Christine Chick, Hazel Stephenson

21st July - Ada Elizabeth Phyllis, Sr Florence Mary

22nd July - Frederick Henry West

Pray This Week For

Yolande DeGale, Sr. Angela, Helen Holman, Beryl Higgs, Norma Piggott, Rene Holman, June Boughton, Verity Thompson, Daniel Sibley, Wayne Campbell, Ivor, Maxine & Megan, Gary Saville, Anthony & Greta, David Miller.

This week at St. Anselm

Monday 19th July

Monday in week 16 of Ordinary Time ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

6pm - Evening Prayer

Prayer focus: The dead

Tuesday 20th July

Tuesday of week 16 in Ordinary Time ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

6pm - Evening Prayer

Prayer focus: The sick

Wednesday 21st July

Wednesday of week 16 in Ordinary Time ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

12pm-2pm - Foodbank

6pm - Evening Prayer & Rosary

Prayer focus: Our online family

Thursday 22nd July

Saint Mary Magdalen - Feast ●

8:30am - Morning Prayer | 8:45am - Mass

7pm - Evening Prayer | 7:30pm - Deanery Synod

Prayer focus: Persecuted Christians

Friday 23rd July

Saint Bridget of Sweden, Patroness of Europe - Feast ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - High Mass

Prayer focus: All mothers

Saturday 24th July

Saturday of week 16 in Ordinary Time ●

[Offices said privately]

Prayer focus: +Jonathan and all parishes of The Society

Sunday 25th July

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time ●

10am - Parish Mass

6pm - Evening Prayer, Benediction

Talk about Compline (night prayer)

Divine Office Psalter Week 1, Year B(I)

Confession is available on Tuesday evenings after Evening Prayer or by appointment. Please contact Fr. Matthew for details.