

Actions speak louder than words: let your words teach and your actions speak: St. Anthony of Padua

St. Anthony Pray For Us!



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CHURCH BULLETIN



Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - (C) | July 03, 2022 | 127/2022 - 21-20

My Dear Parishioners,

The readings for 14th Sunday remind that God comforts us, even in difficult times. In the First Reading we hear that God provides for us in abundance. In the Second Reading St. Paul encourages us to rejoice in the cross, for we are united with Jesus Christ. In the Gospel Jesus Christ tells us that discipleship will involve work and even rejection, but he also tells us to rejoice in our labour.

Today's Gospel begins immediately after the final verse in last Sunday's Gospel. After strong language about the difficulties of discipleship, Jesus Christ immediately appoints 72 people to go ahead of him to every town and place he plans to visit, proclaiming that the Kingdom of God is at hand.

This mission account communicates a sense of the spirituality that should accompany the proclamation of the Kingdom. While the instructions Jesus gives the missionaries cannot, in most respects, translate literally into our own situation today, his central message, bearing upon spiritual practice, has a lasting relevance.

The instruction suggests that for the most part the world is not going to give a friendly response to the Gospel. The presupposition behind this, as behind Christ Jesus' mission generally, is that the world has largely fallen out of the hand of God into the grip of spiritual forces, hostile to God and to the true interests of human beings. The missionaries, therefore, do not operate on benign or even neutral ground. They are being sent out into territory that has to be wrested from the grip of the enemy. Hence the stress upon successful exorcisms in the disciples' exultant report on their return and the mysterious words of Jesus Christ stating that he had watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. He had seen a heavenly reflection of the battle and being waged on earth and its victorious outcome.

The missionaries are to go out very lightly clad and taking no provisions for the journey. This means that they will have to run the risk of relying on what hospitality they find.

Hence, today's scripture readings challenge any easy assumption on the part of followers of Jesus Christ that they can be casual about living by the values prevailing in the world around them. If we simply drift in the strong current of those values and the forces behind them, we shall surely drift away from the Gospel and the hope it holds out; we shall not be part of the radical new creation that God is calling into being through the cross of Jesus. As the old slogan goes, Christianity is comforting but not comfortable!!!

Arthur Charles Parish Priest

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Entrance Antiphon

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

1st Reading Isaiah 66:10-14

Jerusalem will enjoy peace, like a flowing river.

Psalm 66:1-3 -7, 16,20

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

2nd Reading Galatians 6: 14-18

I carry the marks of Jesus branded on my body.

Acclamation

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you.

Gospel Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

Your peace will find a home with those who are at peace.

Communion Antiphon

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

Lectionary Spirituality

Today's Gospel speaks about the challenges, difficulties and rewards of discipleship. God is actively present in the here and now, transforming the hearts and minds of people eager and ready to accept Jesus as their Saviour. "The harvest is rich", but there is a shortage of workers. As baptised Christians, we are invited to respond generously to the mission of Jesus with a sense of urgency and single-mindedness. Thus, salvation, with the blessing of peace and mercy, becomes a reality in our lives. This is the Kingdom of God. Jesus admits that sending us out on a mission to establish the reign of God in human hearts is both challenging and risk-taking. However, we are encouraged to stay focused and grow in the virtues of humility, obedience and trust in divine providence. Discipleship entails self-sacrifice of earthly pleasure and comfort, fame and recognition, to give space for God to act in and through us to overcome the power of evil and radiate to God's peace and joy as we embrace our vulnerabilities in total dependence on God. Besides, we are called to take a proactive response of non-violence in handling harsh reality and negativity like ridicule, insults or persecution that come along the way. The disciples are made into a new creation by the Cross of Christ, which St. Paul boasts in the Second Reading. Like the imagery of a mother comforting her child, in Isaiah 66, God will empower his disciples and nourish us with the Word of God and the sacraments through the Church.

Announcements

- 1. The Goinkars' Own Academy is having a fun night of Konkani Music, followed by Dinner on Friday, July 8th 2022. For invites for the GOAFEST2022 Parishioners of St. Anthony's Parish kindly contact Agnes Fernandes, Bella Coelho, Elizabeth Pinto and Nolasco Moniz.
- 2. Member of Helping-Hands are arranging Family Picnic for Parishioners of St. Anthony's Parish and their Christian Friends on Saturday, 9th July 2022. For information and tickets please contact members of Helping-Hands Group.
- 3.A Second Collection will be taken for the Conference of St. Vincent de Paul on July 9th and 10th, 2022. It is used for needy people of our Parish. Kindly give joyfully and generally.
- 4. Please keep the Catechists Pastoral Workers of the Archdiocese of Karachi in your prayers. They will be having a week-long Retreat at the Minor Seminary starting from Monday, July 11.
- 5. Archdiocese of Karachi is arranging its Annual Vocation Discernment Programme from 18th July to 20th July 2022. It will be held at St. Pius X Seminary, Karachi. Those candidates who have completed their Matric OR 'O' Levels and belong to good Catholic families and are actively involved in the Parish Life, who are interested in Spiritual Matters and have sincere desire to join the priesthood may contact the Parish Office.
- 6.The A-Team Father's Day Event has been postponed due to the weather conditions.
- 7. We request our parishioners to keep on providing non-perishable food items for the needy people of our Parish. May the Lord bless the donors!

Gratitude

Sunday Collection Rs. 41,240 Tuesday Collection Rs. 70,910

Next Sunday

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading Deuteronomy 30:10-14

God's word is very near to you, that you may observe it.

Psalm 69:13, 16, 29 -30, 32-33, 35-36

Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

2nd Reading Colossians 1: 15-20

In Christ, all things in heaven and on earth were created.

Acclamation

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life.

Gospel Luke 10: 25-37

Who is my neighbour?

سال کے دوران چود حوال اتوار

داخل

اے خُداہم تیری ہیکل کے اندر تیری شفقت کو یاد کرتے ہیں۔اے خُدا تیرے نام کی مانند تیری تعریف بھی زمین کی انتہا تک پہنچتی ہے۔

كلى الاوت اشعيا 66: 10-14

و کیھو۔ میں سلامتی کودریا کی ماننداُس کی طرف رواں کروں گا۔

- 20،16،7 - 1:65 مارة -

اے کل ممالک خُداکے لئے خُوشی کا نعرہ مار و۔

دوسرى الاوت قلاطيول 6: 14 - 18

میرے بدن پریسوع کے نشان لگے ہوئے ہیں۔

Rosi

اے تُوماتُواس لئے ایمان لایاہے کہ تُومجھے دیکھ سکتاہے۔ مُبارک ہیں وہ جنہوں نے نہیں دیکھاتو بھی ایمان لائے ہیں۔

الجيل مقدس مقدس لوقا 10: 1- 12،71- 20 المجيل

تمہاراسلام اُس آدمی پر کھہرے گا۔

پاک شراکت کی آیت

مچھواور دیکھوخُداوند کیسابھلاہے۔مبارک ہے وہ آ دمی جوأس کی پناہ لیتاہے۔

غوروخوض

اعلانات

- 1. ہیلپنگ ہینڈز(Helping Hands) کے ارا کین ہفتہ، 9 جولائی 2022 کوسینٹ انھونی پیرش کے ایمانداروں اور ان کے مسیحی دوستوں کے لیے فیملی پکٹ کااہتمام کررہے ہیں۔ معلومات اور ٹکٹوں کے لیے برائے مہر بانی ہیلینگ ہینڈز گروپ کے اراکین سے رابطہ کریں۔
- 2. اتوار 10 جولائی کو دوسری بار ہدیہ لیا جائے گا جو کہ سینٹ ونسنٹ ڈی پال کے لیے ہے۔ اس سے پیرش کے ضرورت مندوں کی مدد کی جاتی ہے۔برائے مہر بانی دل کھول کر ہدیہ دیں۔
- 3. برائے مہر بانی آرچ ڈیواسیس کے مبشرانِ انجیل اور پاسٹر ل ور کرز کو اپنی دعاؤں میں یاد رکھیں۔ یہ مائنز سمینری میں پیر 11 جولائی سے شر وع ہونے ایک ہفتہ طویل سالانہ ریٹریٹ میں حصہ دار ہوں گے۔
- 4. آرچ ڈایوسیس کراچی اُن نوجوانو کے لئے جو کائن بن کر خدمت کرنا چاہتے ہیں ، ایک پروگرام کا اہتمام کر رہا ہے۔ یہ پروگرام 18 جولائی ہے 20 جولائی ہے 202 جولائی ہے 202 جولائی ہے 202 جولائی ہے 202 جولائی ہے 20 جولائی ہے 20 جولائی ہے کہ سینٹ پائس دہم سیمنری میں منعقد ہو گا۔ اس میں وہ امیدوار حصہ لے سکتے ہیں جسنوں نے میٹرک یا'O' لیول مکمل کر لیا ہو، جو اچھے کا تھولک خاندان سے تعلق رکھتے ہوں، پیرش کے کسی گروپ کے فعال رکن ہوں، جو روحانی معاملات میں دلچیسی رکھتے ہوں اور کلیسیا میں کائن بن کر خدمت کرنے کی مخلص خوائش رکھتے ہوں۔ ایسے افراد پیرش آفس سے رابطہ کر سکتے ہیں۔
- 5. برائے مہر بانی اپنے ضرورت مند بہنوں اور بھائیوں کے لیے خشک راشن کانذرانہ دیں۔ آپ کسی بھی وقت راشن باہر رکھے ہوئے بکس میں ڈال سکتے ہیں۔

آئده اتواركي خلاوتيس

سال کے دوران پندر حوال اتوار

كلى الاوت مشنيه شرع 30: 10-14

کلمہ تیرے بہت نزدیک ہے تاکہ تُواُس پر عمل کرے۔

37-36-34-33-31-30-17-14 :68 مارير 37-36-34

اے غریبو خُداوند کو طلب کر واور تمہارے دل تازہ ہو جائیں گے۔

دوسرى الادت كلسيول 1: 15 - 20

ب چیزیں مسے کے وسلے اور اُسی کے لئے خلق کی گینل۔

نعره بمر

اے تُوماتُواس لئے ایمان لایاہے کہ تُومجھے دیکھ سکتاہے۔ مُبارک ہیں وہ جنہوں نے نہیں دیکھاتو بھی ایمان لائے ہیں۔

الجيل مقدس مقدس لوقا 10: 25- 37

میراہمسامیہ کون ہے؟