

Holy Family Little Church

Parable of the Talents

Matthew 25:14-30

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Sunday Mass: 11.00 am.

Weekday Mass: Mon & Thur: 9.15am. (Other weekdays: 9.15am at St. Anthony's)

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Do not be afraid

We know that different people have very different abilities. A person with a gift for listening to others may not have the skill to be a good administrator. Someone who is able to mend a leak or fix a washing machine might have no musical ability. An effective teacher may be a hopeless mechanic. We learn from experience who is good at what, and we hire people accordingly, entrusting people with tasks in proportion to their ability. We also learn from experience what are our own abilities and our limitations, and we tend to take on tasks that are possible for us and avoid tasks that are not.

The rich man in today's parable knew the abilities of each of his servants. Before setting out on his journey he entrusted his property to each in proportion to his ability. He only gave as much responsibility to each of them as they could bear. The first two servants worked according to their ability. The third did not, and just gave back the one talent he had been given, instead of the extra he was capable of gaining. What held him back from working according to his ability? Fear. "I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground."

We may find ourselves in some sympathy with the third servant, because, deep down, we are aware how fear can hold us back and keep us from doing what we are capable of. Fear is a more powerful force in the lives of some than others. There can be many reasons for this. Those who have experienced a lot of criticism growing up can develop a fearful approach to life. There is a familiar Irish proverb: Praise the young and they will grow. The converse can also be true. Blame the young and you hold them back. Unfair criticism can stunt our growth and prevent us from reaching our potential. We hide our talent in the ground. There it can remain safe but useless. Knowing the disabling power of fear in people's lives, Jesus often told people, "Do not be afraid." (Fr Patrick Rogers)

'We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us. It is not just in some of us; it is in everyone and as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give others permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others.'

(Marianne Williamson)

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

19th November 2017 Eucharistic Prayer: 4

DIARY AND MASS INTENTIONS

for the week beginning Saturday 18th November 2017

Sat 6.00pm	<i>St. Anthony</i>	Jack & Winifred Shorrocks	
Sun 9.30am 11.00am	<i>St. Anthony</i> <i>Holy Family</i>	Alan Southworth. For our parish	33rd Sunday of the Year
Mon 9.15am 9.45am	<i>Holy Family</i> <i>St. Anthony</i>	Fr. Gerard Hurst <i>Funeral Service: Matteo Marino</i>	
Tue 10.00am	<i>St. Anthony</i>	Deceased Clergy of Deanery	<i>Deanery Mass</i>
Wed 9.15am	<i>St. Anthony</i>	Whelan/Russell families	
Thur 9.15am	<i>Holy Family</i>	For our parish	
Fri 9.15am 6.30-7.30pm	<i>St. Anthony</i> <i>Holy Family</i>	Kathleen Maxwell	Exposition & Holy Communion
Sat: 6.00pm	<i>St. Anthony</i>	Christina Bolger	
Sun 9.30am 11.00am	<i>St. Anthony</i> <i>Holy Family</i>	Julie Butler. Michael Lee	Christ the King Youth Sunday Collection

Last Weekend: Attendance 71, Offertory £145. Thank you for your generosity.

Masses received this week:

Julie Butler, Whelan & Russell families, Michael Lee, William Norman Hartley, Ann & Dudley O'Gara, Kathleen Maxwell, Mary Kiernan.

Monday 'Surgery' 5.30—6.30

Fr. Peter will be in Holy Family Church tomorrow evening from 5.30-6.30pm for anyone who wants a word about baptisms, weddings, Sacrament of Reconciliation etc.

Please remember in your prayers

those who are sick: Bill O'Shaughnessy, Margaret Johnson, Eveline Eccles, Malaya, Ray Mannion, Claire, Rhoda Case, Bill York, Bob Blacoe, Lawrence Dunnaghan;

those who have died recently: Gwendoline Ward, Derek Boyle, Matteo Marino;

and those whose anniversaries occur around this time:

John Hull, Bill Butler, Peggy Heaps, Wilf Gardner, Marie Jones, Vera Conway, Derek Oak, Ted Haywood, Rev. J. Glenholme, Alice Titley, Celia Day, Mary Eaves, Margaret Wood, Ellen Smale, Marie Irvine, Wilhelmina Bielby, Frank McMahon, Ted Bolton, Margaret (Peg) Nicholson, Desmond Deeley, Betty Gathercole.

Deanery Mass for Deceased Clergy

Every year the Clergy of the Deanery concelebrate Mass for the deceased clergy of the Deanery. This year the Mass will be at St. Anthony's this Tuesday 21st November at 10.00am. We will be joined by parishioners of other parishes. Afterwards there will be a Clergy Deanery Conference in Holy Family Pastoral Centre.

Conscrit party

This will now take place in January. Names celebrating so far are: Damien Finley, Olive Yates, Veronica Scarborough, Johnson Kubelabo, Maureen Roche, June Potts, Lucy Hesketh, Hilary Quigg, Ruth Potts, Anne Culkin-Smith, Bill York, Jennifer Bree, Lyn Lyn, Fran Daley, Sophie Warden, Margaret Hyland, Angie Farnell, Patsy Jarvis, Liam McCarthy, Adam Thomas, Malachy Shellard, Joel Kubelbo, Ian Goody, Rachel Page, Amy Billington. If anyone celebrates a birthday ending in a 0 this year or next, please let Jane or Caroline know.

ChristChurch, Fulwood - Friendship Festival

Stained Glass Windows Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) Project - Launch Event, on Sat. 25 November, 2.45pm for 3.00pm - 'an opportunity to learn about this special part of Fulwood's history'. Refreshments will be served.

Our Lady & St. Edward's Ladies Group

"The next meeting will be on Thursday, November 23rd: a presentation by David Forshaw on "The work of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution." Final opportunity to pay for the Christmas meal. 3 Course meal £21.00 2 Courses £17.50. The meeting in the Parish Centre starts at 8.00pm. Visitors welcome. Cost £2.00"

Fulwood Christmas Farmers' Market with Fairtrade

Next one is on Saturday 25th November from 9.30am - 1pm at Fulwood Methodist Church, Watling Street Road, PR2 8EA, supporting producers locally and globally, with fresh local produce from around the area and a selection of fairly traded food and crafts from around the world. Raffle, drinks and snacks. All welcome.

CAFOD's Memorial Mass

Join CAFOD in commemorating all those who have touched our lives and made the world a better place. At St Mary and St Michael's Church, Bonds Lane Garstang PR3 1ZB on November 25th at 6pm. Details from Paul Wyre or to include a loved one in our Book of Remembrance contact pwyre@cafod.org.uk or call 01772 733 310 .

Share-It Food Bank (at Holy Family)

These items are the most needed at the moment:

* tins of meat	* ANY cereals (small is best)
* coffee (2 in 1)	* custard * instant desserts

NEXT SUNDAY Christ the King (Year A)

Ezekiel 34:11-17	As for you, my sheep, I will judge between sheep and sheep.
1Cor 15:20-28	He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father.
Matt 25:31-46	He will take his seat on the throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another.