

ST. ANSELM

Proclaiming Christ in Hayes

A United

Church

For almost a week running, most of our readings talked about loving one another as the Lord Jesus Christ loved us and Jesus praying to the Father that all may be one as the Son and the Father are one. This moves us to pause and ask why the emphasis is on loving one another and staying together as one whole body of Christ. Unity is very paramount in every organisation because it is the lifeblood, and so is it to the Church. A church that is not loving and united loses its relevance because that is the foundation of the Church. Divisions in the Church of God open the floodgate for the enemy to penetrate quickly and create confusion.

1 Corinthians 3:4-6 tells us how the early Church was divided into individuals rather

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than God, who gives growth and sustenance. *"For when one says, 'I belong to Paul', and another, 'I belong to Apollos', are you not merely human? What, then, is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth."*

The Church of God is not about individuals. It is about Christ Jesus, so when we focus on mortal beings, we miss the mark; instead, our focus must always be on Christ Jesus. We are all human beings striving for perfection through the grace of God. The body of Christ comprises different parts, and all the parts work together to achieve the great commission. There will be other opinions here

and there, but that must not divide us; all the differences must help us make the right decisions and come out with lovely and heart-warming music like a symphony orchestra through the power of the Holy Spirit.

We are all on the same team headed by Jesus Christ himself, so we must continue to remain in his love so that he will dwell in us. We all have a role to play; everyone is essential in Christ's body. No role is small or more significant; we are all the same because our shared goal is to please our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Fr. Josiah

Prayer focus

For our APCM, for God's guidance and direction as we move into a new Chapter in the life of St. Anselm Parish

Worship focus

For those to be elected as Church Wardens and Church Councillors for the St. Anselm Church during our APCM

This Sunday **Sunday 19th May**

PENTECOST (R)

10am -Parish Mass

APCM

Divine Office Psalter Week 3, Year B(II)

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Notices

We will need some donations for the Foodbank in the coming days. Your support will be appreciated. We need the following items: Tin Fish, Cereals, Long Life Milk, Sugar, Rice, Biscuits, Tea, Coffee etc.

Please we would like to meet all those who would like to volunteer in the Boys' Brigade to see Fr. Josiah after Mass.

Please support the church generously through your giving at www.stanselm.co.uk/giving

Years Mind

- 19th - Bob Thompson
- 20th. - Elizabeth Jones, Nellie Honey, Richard Warnett,
- 21st. - Laraine Cheryl Simmonds, William Alan Gafner
- 22nd - Winifred Mothersole, Mollie Wilding, Marion Pearce, Leslie West
- 24th. - Florence May, Leslie Prosser
- 25th. - Sarah Connorton

Pray This Week For

Mavis & Daniel Sibley, June Boughton, Verity, Laura & her twins, Debra Ann Potts, Linda, Jenny and Michael Appleby, Rob, Margaret, Chris Gomez, Freya, K, Gary, Silvy, Ruth, Ato, Omeeta Dunrad, Susaana Mansah, Frances Fenton, Mary, Kevin and Tiziana Fiorillo

Monday 20th May

Mary Mother of the Church (W/G)

[Offices said Privately]

Prayer focus: Our online family

Tuesday 21st May

Tuesday of Week 7 in Ordinary Time (G)

9:45 - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

12pm - Angelus | 5pm - Evening Prayer

Prayer focus: For all religious

Wednesday 22nd May

Wednesday Week 7 in Ordinary Time (G)

[Offices said Privately]

Prayer focus: Priest and Bishops of the Society

Thursday 23rd May

Thursday Week 7 of Eastertide (W/G)

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

5pm - Evening Prayer

Thursday Fun and Fellowship (TFF) - 7pm

Prayer focus: New Christians

Friday 24th May

Friday Week 7 of Eastertide (W/G)

9:45 - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

12pm - Angelus & Rosary

Prayer focus: Struggling Mothers and Fathers

Saturday 25th May

Saturday Week 7 in Ordinary Time (G)

[Offices said Privately]

Prayer focus: Charity

Sunday 26th May

MOST HOLY TRINITY (W)

10am -Parish Mass

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 11:30 - 12:30

Divine Office Psalter Week 4, Year B(II)