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6TH SEPTEMBER 2026: TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat 5 th Sept	5.00pm: St Anthony's Mass	Paul Worth
Sun 6 th Sept	9.00am: St John the Baptist 11.00am: St Anne's Mass	Bridget Hill Rosie Dawson

Mon 7 th Sept	No Mass	
Tues 8 th Sept Feast Of The Nativity Of The Blessed Virgin Mary	8.45am: Eucharistic Adoration 9.15am: St Anne's Mass	Bernie Cranley
Weds 9 th Sept	4.30pm: St Anne's Mass for Our Lady and All Saints Staff (Parishioners are welcome to attend)	Mavis Cope R.I.P.
Thurs 10 th Sept	9.15am: St John's Mass	Elicia Westmoreland
Fri 11 th Sept	6.00pm: Holy Hour and Benediction 7.00pm: St Anne's Mass	Rose Onyemaobi

13TH SEPTEMBER 2026: TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat 12 th Sept	5.00pm: St Anthony's Mass	People of the Parish
Sun 13 th Sept	9.00am: St John the Baptist 11.00am: St Anne's Mass	Nicholas Hoey Stuart and Sue Hill

Confessions	Mass Today in the Sunday Missal
St John: Thursday 10am St Anthony: Saturdays 4.30pm St Anne: Fridays 7.30pm	Readings and Prayers: Page 398 Preface II: on page 473 Eucharistic Prayer: on page 498

Message from Fr Sean

Planned Giving Campaign During September Throughout September we will be exploring how each of us can take our part in the mission of the Divine Mercy Partnership. Planned giving is not about giving more, but about giving intentionally: prayerfully considering how we can support the Church's mission through our prayer, service and financial giving. Next weekend, every parishioner will receive a copy of our Planned Giving Booklet. The Sunday homilies in September will be a shorter and there will be a brief talk after Mass on the different themes:

1. **6 September – The Current Situation:** An overview of the parish's current financial position and why the Planned Giving Campaign is needed.
2. **13 September – Intentional Giving:** What planned giving means, together with standing orders, Gift Aid and the different ways to support the parish financially.
3. **20 September – Service:** Supporting the parish through prayer, volunteering and using our gifts in Christ's mission
4. **27 September – Bringing It Together:** A summary of the campaign and an opportunity to respond.

Expression of Interest of children aged 6-9 wanting to make their First Holy Communion

We have 4 consultations approaching where parents can register interest for their children to make their First Holy Communion and learn about GIFT, which is the gateway to sacramental preparation in our parish.

3 of these consultations will happen in our 3 primary schools, particularly for parents whose children attend those schools. The 4th consultation is for parents of any children aged 6-9 wanting to make their First Holy Communion, no matter where their children attend school. This will be held in the parish lounge (in The C's building) on Thursday 1st October at 19:00 and is also open to any parents who were not able to make the parent consultation at the school.

Please remember to keep a prayerful silence in church before mass to allow people chance to pray and recollect.

Food Bank. Donations for the food bank are very welcome. Items such as toiletries, sanitary products, tinned food (in date), and dried pantry goods can all be donated. A collection box is available in each church. Items will be distributed through Lilies Tea Parlour in Chelmsley Wood Shopping Centre. This is a simple and practical way to show mercy to those in need. You might consider adding one extra item to your weekly shop for donation.

Blessings For blessings of houses, cars, or religious artifacts, please do not be afraid to ask Fr Sean.

Baptisms To have a child age 6 or under baptised please speak to Fr Sean After Mass.

Sunday Morning Refreshments at St Annes Parishioners, families and friends are warmly invited to join in the parish centre every Sunday morning after 11.00am Mass, where tea, coffee and biscuits are served. This is an opportunity to come together, socialise and get to know other members of the parish. There are also refreshment after mass every Tuesday.

Tea Dance Please come and join us on Wednesday 30th September 2026, 1.00 - 3.00pm in the Parish Centre. The entrance fee is £2, to help those in need in our community, and there will be the usual bingo and raffle. The following tea dance will be on 28th October.

Mass Intentions and Votive Lamps Intentions for Masses should be made using the envelopes in church, indicating your intention and enclosing your donation. I am sorry but it isn't possible to guarantee a particular day or date for a Mass intention. With the vast number of intentions received, there are often duplicated dates requested and especially with Sunday Masses, intentions could take several weeks to be said. Thank you for your understanding regarding this.

To have a lamp for the Blessed Sacrament (Sanctuary Lamp) or for Our Lady lit for your intention please use the same envelope as those for Mass intentions, indicating that it is for a lamp.

Week Beginning 6.9.26:

St Annes Sanctuary Lamp: Holy Souls

St Annes Our Lady's Lamp: Sick of the Parish

Church Rota – St Anne's, Week Beginning 6.9.26:

Counting: Chris

Collections

St Anne's: 30.8.26: Figures to be given next week
Weekly Standing Order Donations £81.57 (GAD £50.34)

Ss. John & Anthony's: 30.8.26: £268.42 (GAD £66.00)
Weekly Standing Order Donations £71.57 (GAD £66.96)

Thank you for your generosity!

Bonus Ball Winners: 29.8.26: 55- John Tocker

Going into Hospital Please inform the hospital Chaplain (Fr Roger Raven- 0121 424 1369) and Fr Sean. He will happily come and see you beforehand. If you or a relative are in hospital and want to see a priest, ask the ward staff to call the on-call catholic chaplain for you.

Deaths Please pray for the repose of the souls of Ellen Delaney, Cornelius Behan, James Casey, Margaret Wollaston, Dorota Symula, Janet Fitzpatrick, Jane Keating, James Richardson, Raymond Borland, Kathleen McGuighan, Lily Kelly, Mary Doyle, Hazel Allsopp, Marie Arnett, Betty D'Arcy, Sharon England, Phil McNamara, Breda Ensor, Margaret Murphy, Martin Kavanagh, Ellen Merrins, Teresa Sullivan, Patricia Powell, Christine Cox, Brendan O'Beirne and the souls of all the recently deceased. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace, Amen.

Funerals

James 'EDDY' Doyle – Woodlands – 2pm 10th September

Paul Gormally – St Annes Requiem – 2pm 25th September

Local Cluster Churches Sunday Mass Times			
MASS TIME	CHURCH	MASS TIME	CHURCH
5pm (Sat)	St Anthony's church, Kingshurst	10.45am (Sun)	Sacred Heart and St Teresa's church, Coleshill
5.30pm (Sat)	Sacred Heart and St Teresa's church, Coleshill	11am (Sun)	Mother of God & Guardian Angels church, Shard End
9am (Sun)	St John the Baptist church, Smiths Wood	11am (Sun)	St Anne's church, Chelmsley Wood
9.30am (Sun)	Our Lady Help of Christians church, Tile Cross	5pm (Sun)	Our Lady Help of Christians church, Tile Cross

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Martina Dudasova (EMAIL: sg.divinemercypartnership@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

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