

New Scam

There is a nasty scam going around at present. In another Parish in our deanery two people received e-mail messages, purporting to come from their Parish Priest, asking them to purchase Amazon vouchers for him. Although they seemed to be very credible, they were of course scams, which the intended victims fortunately realised. Because of their positions in their Parish, they think it was because their email addresses, linking them to the Parish, could be found online either from websites or newsletters.

Another Catholic organisation has been targeted with the older scam of an e-mail, supposedly from another member of the group, asking for money because of some disaster they have experienced. In this case the 'target' had spoken with the 'person in distress' very recently so also knew it was scam.

Please be very wary if you receive any requests of this nature and check with the 'sender'.

Lent Family Fast Day: Friday 26th February

This Lent the focus is on water poverty – the shocking reality is that one person in three still does not have access to clean water. CAFOD highlights the life of one young man, called Abdella. He lives in Ethiopia, and almost every day he walks for ten hours to fetch water for his family. He walks through rocky mountain passes, and on his return journey must carry two heavy jerry cans of water. When he gets home, he is exhausted and has no energy for anything else. CAFOD is raising money to provide boreholes and solar powered pumps.

If you are able please donate to the Fast Day collection:

1) If you are able to attend Mass, there will be envelopes at the back of the church. (To save CAFOD wasting funds sending the usual number of envelopes we are using old envelopes, but the Gift Aid form attached is not dated so can be used.) Please bring the envelope back and put it in the collection box the following Sunday. Cash donations may also be left in the box. Envelopes may also be posted FREEPOST to CAFOD, **but please do not include any coins.**

If you are not able to attend Mass at St Anthony's there are other ways to donate:

- 2) To donate £5 by phone - text Lent 5 to 70450
- 3) To donate £10 text Lent 10 to 70450
- 4) Donate at cafod.org.uk/lent
- 5) Cheques may be posted to CAFOD,
Romero House,
55 Westminster Bridge Road,
London,
SE1 7JB.

This Lent, CAFOD invites you and the whole Catholic community of England and Wales to join ***Walk for Water***. Could you *Walk for Water* as a personal Lenten challenge by walking 10,000 steps a day, every day, for 40 days? Find out more at **cafod.org.uk/walk**

Retiring Collections

At the recent Parish Meeting it was noted that each year we make donations to various groups and charities, but due to the pandemic these have not been taken during 2020. Some of these charities have not been able to function, but there are others whose need is even greater this year. It was agreed to look at these and to provide details on the website for anyone who is able and would like to make a donation.

1. Missio (formerly Mill Hill Missions)

The annual World Mission Sunday collection in October is a mandatory collection in all Catholic parishes in England and Wales, but last year will not have taken place in many parishes. Missio uses the money it receives with the donations from the Red Boxes and World Mission Sunday collections to support missionary dioceses in 19 countries. In 2019 Missio built or reconstructed 49 churches, trained 2,006 seminarians for the priesthood and supported 20,000 children around the world. In St Anthony's we have particular cause to be grateful.

Donations to Missio can be made by:

- 1) Cheque payable to Missio-Mill-Hill can be sent to
Mission,
23 Eccleston Square,
London,
SW1V 1NU
- 2) By phone with credit or debit card: 020 7821 9755 during office hours.
Again, please indicate that your donation is from St Anthony's.

2. Emmaus Hull

This charity provides a bed, warmth and food for the homeless, who in return work in the Furniture Store and help each other with catering and jobs about the shared accommodation.

Emmaus can be contacted at: Emmaus Hull The Orchard,
32 Lockwood Street,
Hull,
HU2 0HN.

Telephone: 01482 223722

Emmaus is always looking for good second-hand furniture to sell, and also bikes, electrical goods, clothes, bric-a-brac, household items and toiletries.

3. Hull Samaritans

75 Spring Bank
Hull,
HU3 1AG.

Telephone: 01482 329477

or donate online at the website.

4. Apostleship of the Sea, Hull (AoS)

Seafarers can be away from home for six months and spend time at the docks in strange ports during these months. The AoS visits the seafarers to befriend and to offer practical support. They check that they are able to contact their families, and if not, the AoS can help. If you are away from family for six months children can change a lot in that time, so it is important that they are able to make video calls.

Hull Seafarers Centre,
United House,
King George Dock West,
HU9 5PR.

Telephone: 07387022375

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