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# 28th March 2021 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Vigil St Anne 5.30 pm 10.00 am St Augustine

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Leon Consterdine For the Parishioners

Theresa Tait

Deceased local members SVP

10.15 a.m. Funeral Mass for Stella Haddrick

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday St Augustine's Good Friday St Augustine's

7.00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper.
3.00 pm A Shortened Good Friday Service

**EASTER SUNDAY** 

Vigil St Anne 5.30 pm (Not full Easter Vigil)
10.00 am St Augustine

For the Parishioners Moira Murray and Family.

# Enjoy Summer 2021 on Holy Island with the SVP Ozanam Camp

The SVP have been successfully running summer Camps for children on beautiful Holy Island ever since 1954 through many years of changing trends. While originally the children and most helpers occupied tents, they now occupy a purpose built permanent Camp while kitchen and caretaking staff occupy a much improved and much more comfortable Lindisfarne House. It's not just the buildings that have changed because although the Camps were originally just for boys, camps for girls were started in the 1980s and from this summer, the SVP will be running mixed camps for the first time. For summer 2021 we are particularly looking for kitchen and caretaking staff for the 6 summer weeks starting from Saturday 24th July 2021. Joining our friendly team of volunteers is easy, so investigate what's involved

on <a href="www.svpholyislandcamp.co.uk">www.svpholyislandcamp.co.uk</a> and if you're interested, follow the "Volunteer" thread. If you would like to discuss it with someone, then call Peter on 07561 190396. Thorough training will be given and we look forward to welcoming you to the team.

Good Friday is always a Day of Fasting and Abstinence. The children, the elderly and the sick are not obliged to fast, but all are obliged to abstain from meat and meat products, OR if needs be do some other act of self-denial.

TODAY
there is a Special
Collection for the
Catholic Community
in the Holy Land
(Holy Places).
In the past this was
normally taken
on Good Friday.

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

on Holy Thursday 6.00 pm to 6.45 pm and on Good Friday 2.00 pm to 2.45 pm .

## The Richness of Giving.

A fantasy of people with property takes no account of the fact that, for the great majority of mankind, life is a struggle. On those grounds I would see this idea of choosing one's own path in life as a selfish attitude and as a waste of one's vocation. Anyone who thinks he already has it all, so that he can take what he wants and centre everything on himself, is depriving himself of giving what he otherwise could. Man is not there to make himself, but to respond to demands made upon him. We all stand in a great arena of history, and are dependent on each other. A man ought not, therefore, just to figure out what he would like, but to ask what he can do and how he can help. Then he will see that fulfilment does not lie in comfort, ease, and following one's inclinations, but precisely in allowing demands to be made of you, in taking the harder path. Everything else turns out somehow boring, anyway. Only the man who "risks the fire", who recognizes a calling within himself, a vocation, an ideal he must satisfy, who takes on real responsibility, will find fulfilment. It is not in taking, not in a path of comfort, that we become rich, but only in giving.

(Emeritus Pope Benedict XVI in "God and the World" page 258)

# ST AUGUSTINE'S NEW OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

If you want your box for 21/22, please contact Maria Thompson or contact Fr Paul via Presbytery letter box, or by emailing iwantagiftaidbox@btinternet.com and Maria will deliver it through your letter box.

#### **Weekly Quotes**

'When a man is wrapped up in himself, he makes a pretty small package.'

#### (John Ruskin)

'You give but little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give yourself that you truly give.' (Kahlil Gibran) 'Self-love is cunning, it pushes and insinuates itself into everything, while making us believe it is not there at all.'

#### (St Francis de Sales)

'Man's highest life does not consist in self-expression, but in self-sacrifice.'

### ( R.H. Benson)

'A good scare is worth more to a man than good advice.'

#### (E.W. Howe)

'If you have no joy in your religion, there's a leak in your Christianity somewhere.'

(W.A.Sunday)

#### Love and Correction

Anger is not necessarily always in contradiction with love. A father, for instance, sometimes has to speak crossly to his son so as to prick his conscience, just because he loves him. And he would fall short of his loving obligation and his will to love if, in order to make things easier for the other person, and also for himself, he avoided the task of putting him right by making a critical intervention in his life. We know that spoiled children, to whom everything has been permitted, are often in the end quite unable to come to terms with life, because later on life treats them quite differently, and because they have never learned to discipline themselves, to get themselves on the right track. Or if, for instance, because I want to be nice to him, I give an addict the drugs he wants instead of weaning him off them (which would seem to him very hard treatment), then in that case you cannot talk of real love. To put it another way: love, in the true sense, is not always a matter of giving way, being soft, or just acting nice. In that sense, a sugar-coated Jesus or a God who agrees with everything and is never anything but nice and friendly is no more than a caricature of real love. Because God loves us, because he wants us to grow into truth, he must necessarily make demands on us and must also correct us. God has to do those things we refer to in the image of "the wrath of God," that is, he has to resist us in our attempts to fall from our best selves and when we pose a threat to ourselves. (Emeritus Pope Benedict XVI in "God and the World " pages 186-189)