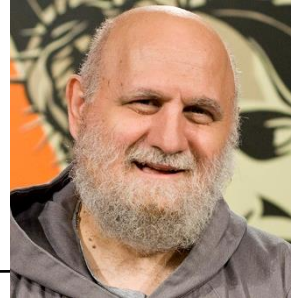

Franciscan of the Week: Fr Andrew Apostoli

Fr Andrew Apostoli was one of the original eight Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, which formed in 1987. A man devoted to humbly following Jesus in the spirit of St Francis, he provided much spiritual guidance to others. He founded the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal, some of whom we welcome this week. He died in 2017, leaving a wonderful legacy of faith.



A week with the Franciscans...

Opportunities to experience God's peace and healing this week, with the Franciscan Sisters and a Friar of the Renewal:

Monday 7pm: The Healing Power of God's Love

Love can heal our wounds! There is no greater love than the love of God. In front of Jesus, present in the Eucharist, we come to experience the healing love of God.

Tuesday 7pm: The Healing Power of God's Mercy

Experience the beauty and healing of God's mercy. Includes opportunities for sacramental reconciliation (confession).

Wednesday 7pm: The Healing Power of God's Presence

A Eucharistic Healing service, in which we ask the Lord to grant His healing gifts to all who suffer in body, mind or spirit.

These evening events all include talk, testimony from the Sisters or Friar, music and prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

Thursday 7pm: Final Mass, followed by Jacob's Join

Also **Tuesday 10:15am, a chance to meet and pray with the Sisters** for all those who cannot come to the evening events.

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Office: Psalter Week 1; Sundays: Year C; Weekdays: Year 1, Week 1 of Lent

Date	Time	Occasion	Intention/Details
Saturday 9 th March	6pm (vigil)	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	For the Franciscan Sisters and Friars of the Renewal
	7pm (vigil)		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>
Sunday 10 th March	9:30am		Monica Dziubinska RIP
	6pm		People of the Parish
Monday	9:15am		Eileen McCroary RIP
	5:15pm		<i>Mass in hospital chapel</i>
Tuesday	9:15am	Theresa & John Topping RIP	
Wednesday	9:15am	Jack Burton RIP	
Thursday	7pm	For those who lack faith	
Friday	12noon	Stella Dean RIP	
Saturday 16 th March	10am	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	For all who attended Ken's Requiem
	6pm (vigil)		Tom McAuley Snr RIP
	7pm (vigil)		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>
Sunday 17 th March	9:30am		Ints Christine Troger
	6pm		Trevor Hughes RIP

LATELY DEAD: Please remember in your prayers **Iris Jackson** and **Pauline Southworth**, whose funerals took place last week, **Canon Tom Dakin** and all who have died recently.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday-Friday 7am-8am; Saturday 10:30am-12noon (for vocations).

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 11am-12noon and on request. Also Tuesday 7pm.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: Weekdays 7:45am and Sundays 3:30pm (sung).

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Sundays 3pm during Lent

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 11am-12noon and on request.

ROSARY: Prayed after 9:15am Mass and before 12noon Mass.

ST ANTHONY: March wall box donations will go to the Medaille Trust.

ANNIVERSARIES: Joseph Moss, Violet Donnelly, Louise Ross, Constance Ashcroft, Ron Smith, May Wilkinson, Theresa Howarth, Frank Dickox, Daniel Rainford.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MARCH: That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

WELCOME TO OUR FRANCISCAN FRIENDS: We warmly welcome Sr Catherine, Sr Therese, Sr Antonia, Sr Faustina and Fr Bernardino, who will lead us in prayer throughout the coming week. Please make the most of the opportunities to spend time with them and pray with them in the coming days. See front page.

JACOB'S JOIN: This Thursday after 7pm Mass there will be a Jacob's Join in the parish hall. Please sign up in the narthex if you are able to contribute to this.

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK: Please note the changes on Tuesday and Thursday.

ALTERNATIVE STATIONS OF THE CROSS: The original Stations of the Cross from our church, which provide an alternative fourteen steps, are being displayed in the narthex window during Lent. Take some time to look at them and pray. Reflections and prayers are available each week, behind the display itself.

SUNDAY AFTERNOONS DURING LENT: As usual, we will have Stations of the Cross at 3pm, followed by sung Vespers (Evening Prayer) and Benediction at 3:30pm.

ST CLARE – LIGHT FROM THE CLOISTER: Four sessions telling the life story of St Clare and discovering her writings. Tuesday evenings during Lent (beginning 19th March), 7:30pm in the narthex. A chance to journey through Lent with St Clare.

LENT READING: Lots of useful new CTS titles for Lent now available in the narthex.

RCIA: As we begin Lent, please pray for all those who will be baptised or received into the Church this Easter. May the Lord bless and guide them on their journey.

COMING TO PRAY IN CHURCH? Don't forget, the church is open all day for private prayer. There are now some Bibles in the narthex, for you to borrow when you come to pray quietly during the day. Please return them as you leave the church.

CTS BOOK CLUB: Meeting next Sunday 17th March. The booklet for this month is "Catholics and our Common Home". Copies available from Fr Andrew.

CATENIAN CHARITY NIGHT: Saturday 23rd March, 8pm at Preston Grasshoppers. Hot buffet, live music. In aid of our ACN Iraq appeal. See poster in narthex.

HOMELESS: We have received a letter of thanks for a donation of £1,000 for the homeless in our city, raised from the Crib collection and the wall boxes in the narthex.

METANOIA PROJECT: Thursdays during Lent, 7:30pm at St Wilfrid's centre, a chance to explore the book, "Rediscovering Jesus". All welcome.

ST PATRICK'S DAY LUNCH: Senior citizens are invited to a free lunch to celebrate St Patrick's Day, next Sunday at St Walburge's. To book, call Sanam: 07470 533556.

OLSE LADIES' GROUP: This Thursday at 8pm. Talk by Pat Osborne: Lady Randy, Winston Churchill's mother. OLSE Parish Centre at 8pm. Cost £2.

LAST WEEK: At Mass: 528; Collection: £1109.66; Thank you for your generosity.

Events this week (occasional/one-off events in bold type)

Day	Time	What?	Where?
Sat/Sun	At Mass	Cenacolo collection	House Porch
Sunday 10 th	9:30am	Children's Liturgy	At Mass
	10:30am	After-Mass tea/coffee	Parish Hall
	7pm	Anointed/Sent groups (years 7-11)	Parish Hall
Mon-Fri	9am	Pre-school	Parish Hall
	3:20pm	After-school club	Parish Hall
Monday - Thursday	See front page	EVENTS FOR THE VISIT OF THE FRANCISCANS OF THE RENEWAL – see timetable on the front page of newsletter or pick up a flyer	Church
Wednesday	6pm	Seekers (years 4-6)	Parish Hall
Sat/Sun	At Mass	Food Bank collection	House Porch
Saturday	8:45am	Pilates	Parish Hall
	10:30am	Spanish Class	Parish Hall
Sunday 17 th	9:30am	Children's Liturgy	At Mass
	10:30am	After-Mass tea/coffee	Parish Hall
	10:30am	Holy Communion Preparation (4)	Parish Hall
	3pm	Stations of the Cross	Church
	3:30pm	Sung Vespers and Benediction	Church
	7pm	Anointed/Sent groups (years 7-11)	Parish Hall
	7pm	CTS Book Club	Chapel

Further ahead and further afield...

DAY OF DISCERNMENT for priesthood in Lancaster Diocese. Saturday 30th March at St Joseph's, Lancaster, 10am-2pm. More information from Fr Daniel Etienne: call 01253 762227 or email frdanieletienne@gmail.com. See poster.

LANCASTER DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: 26th July-2nd August by air from Manchester. Information and booking forms in the narthex.

DIOCESAN COORDINATOR OF SCHOOL CHAPLAINS: A new post to help support and form school chaplains in the Diocese. See poster in narthex for details.

Parish Prayer to St Clare

St Clare, who chose a life of poverty, prayer and humble service, watch over this parish which bears your name. Bless and protect our community and intercede for us, that we may come closer to Jesus and grow in His likeness, who lived and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.