

6th of November 2016 - 10am Sunday Mass

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C.

Rua da Penha de França nr.3 – Funchal, Madeira.



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THE CATHOLIC ENGLISH SERVICE MASS IN MADEIRA:

Welcome to the Chapel of Penha de França. Penha de França Chapel was founded by a man called Antonio Dantas in 1622. The Chapel was built on a "penha" or peak, by the sea, originally to minister to the soldiers of the small garrison at the Pontinha Redoubt (stronghold) in the bay of Funchal, but the Chapel soon became so famous a shrine that people came to it on pilgrimage from all parts of the Island. In 1721 the chapel was restored and enlarged. When the Diocese of Funchal took possession of the chapel it was used as the Bishop's Summer Residence for many years. In the meantime, the Franciscans had been coming to Madeira to carry out apostolic duties, and in 1935, they founded the Franciscan Residence of Our Lady of Penha de França here, at the request of Bishop D. Antonio Ribeiro. In 2015 the Franciscans moved to the former convent of São Bernardino in the town of Câmara de Lobos, and the Chapel reverted back to the Diocese of Funchal. The nave roof of the Chapel has recently been repaired and the ceiling restored through the generosity of a frequent visitor to our English Mass. Besides this English service Mass held here every Sunday morning at 10am, there is also a Portuguese service Mass on Saturdays at 18h30 and on Sundays at 11h30 (straight after the English service). **Our priest for the English Service on Sunday mornings is Father Bernardino Andrade.** He was born in Madeira and ordained as a priest in Africa, where he lived for 9 years. After that time, he went on to spend another 32 years as a priest in the USA, before returning here to Madeira.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

(2 Macc 7:1-2,9-14... Ps 16... 2 Thess 2:16-3:5... Lk 20:27-38)

The second Book of Maccabees relates events from about 180 to 160 BC, and includes the martyrdom stories of Eleazar, and of this family of a mother and seven brothers, written to encourage God's people in times of persecution. The Syrian king Antiochus imposed Greek cultures on the Jews, prompting a revolt led by Judas Maccabeus. The brothers each profess aspects of their faith, including confidence in individual bodily resurrection. After their martyrdoms the Jews succeeded in throwing off their oppressor.

The second letter to the Thessalonians was written to calm a community startled by claims that "the day of the Lord" was upon them. As long as they love and believe in the truth given them originally they should stand firm and have no fear. They should continue to pray confidently for Paul and other preachers, that the word of the Lord may "run" into people's hearts everywhere.

In Luke's gospel, after meeting Zacheus Jesus entered Jerusalem, cleansed the Temple and responded to challenges about his authority. Then he is asked about resurrection, with another example of seven brothers. He says those worthy to attain resurrection will no longer die or marry, "they are children of God", the living God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, whom Moses called "Lord".

- Brought to you by: *Chris Oliver*

PSALM RESPONSE:

I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord.

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE – The potential for healing and true forgiveness

- *Brought to you by* Michael Hartnack

Good morning Friends,

One of the most inspirational and humbling experiences I have recently experienced was yesterday when Yvonne, my wonderful partner and I, took up the invitation of Father Bernardino, given to us at last Sunday's mass, to join local people from Madeira, as part of the *People Helping People* project. *

There we shared fine food, fellowship and very simple acts of generosity towards one another. Even where we didn't understand each other's language, a nod, a smile and reciprocated acts of kindness saw us through a truly amazing experience of what being a human being is all about.



Despite our differences in culture, language, customs and circumstances, our experience proved to me, that there is far more that joins us together, than could ever divide us. I will remain eternally grateful for the opportunity of having had such an experience.

Father Bernardino simply asked me what I did for a living. I told him that I retired some three years ago as a police Officer in England and now undertake work with victims of crime and their offenders, bringing them both together in a process we call restorative justice. The process of Restorative Justice, allows for harm caused to the victim to be repaired by the offender through a quite simple method but which needs to be skillfully facilitated. For the vast majority of crimes, a civilised society must have the capacity to integrate its wrongdoers back into society, otherwise, like *Zacchaeus (from the Bible story)*, such people would always be on the periphery of society, never accepted, never given the opportunity to make a contribution. This is not necessarily about forgiveness; it is more about repairing properly the harm that has been caused. It's called Restorative Justice. It is not about avoiding Justice – many of the offenders I work with are imprisoned for their offending, and rightly so, but the process provides the opportunity for the victim to face their offender and explain the impact that the behaviour of the offender has had on their victim. The criminal behaviour on victims and others is addressed and helps offenders who might never have otherwise had the opportunity, to face a victim and hear first hand the impact of their behaviour. British courts don't address this issue and are ordinarily powerless to impose true restorative justice – the repairing of the relationship between two human beings – putting right the real harm that has been caused. Instead, the courts consider all cases to be crimes against the state and have done so for many, indeed far too many years.

Restorative Justice is about facing up to and explaining what one has learnt as a consequence of causing someone harm. Perhaps it goes some way to helping someone on their way to reparation and perhaps even, as I have personally experienced, true forgiveness occurring between two human beings.

Thank you for listening. - *Michael Hartnack* - 30 October 2016

(Original text edited and shortened for this issue of Joyful Gift). More information on the Restorative Justice program can be found at: www.restorativesolutions.org.uk/

* The homeless and those who attend the English Mass on Sunday are invited to share the same meal and the same table at a weekly meal served every Saturday at 1:00 PM in the Social Hall of the Penha de França Chapel. Different restaurants, hotels and private people offer the lunch in an effort to build social equality and help those in need. This meal is known as «BREAD WITH MY BROTHER». All are invited.

FROM MY HEART TO YOUR HEART – Death Teaches Us How to Live - I

- Brought to you by Fr. Bernardino Andrade

It's the name of a book: « Death teaches us how to live ».



As Vice-President, George Bush represented the U.S. at the funeral (November 15, 1982) of former Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev who had been the president of the USSR for 18 years. Bush was deeply moved by a silent protest carried out by Brezhnev's widow, Mrs. Viktoria Brezhnev.

She stood motionless by the coffin until seconds before it was closed. Then, just as the soldiers touched the lid, Brezhnev's wife performed an act of great courage and hope, a gesture that must surely rank as one of the most profound acts of civil disobedience ever committed: she

reached down and made the sign of the cross on her husband's chest.

There in the citadel of secular, atheistic power, the wife of the man who had run it all hoped that her husband was wrong. She hoped that there was another life, that that life was best represented by Jesus who died on the cross, and that the same Jesus might yet have mercy on her husband.

Death teaches us how to live.

God loves you and so do I,

Fr. Bernardino Andrade (bernardinodandrade@gmail.com)

PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE

People Helping People (PHP) is a small project founded in the Chapel of Penha de França to help those in need. Our Bishop D. António once said, "One must find new ways of helping the poor".

A very small group of people attending the English Mass decided to do just that! In a short period of time we have created partnerships with supermarket chains and restaurants, we have paid dozens of medical prescriptions, we have spent gallons and gallons of petrol riding across the island giving lifts, we have prevented families from going hungry, getting their electricity cut off, running out of gas, losing their homes.

We have tried to keep them warm, keep them hopeful, and keep them dreaming...



John (13: 4-18)

People Helping People

Moynihans Irish Bar, located on the corner up the road from the Chapel, accepts any Donations, as well as food, toiletries or clothes for the *People Helping People* project.



PHP bank info has changed.

If you wish to donate, please find below the new details:

BANK: Banco Santander Totta

NIB: 0018 0008 01301547020 17

IBAN: PT50 0018 0008 01301547020 17

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 0008 0130 1547020

Bank Address: Caminho de Santa Quiteria 46A, 9020-119, Funchal, Madeira, Portugal

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HYMNS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

Violin - Larysa Makarova

Voice - Helena Paula Marques

Organ / Voice - Fátima Cátia Marques



Hymn Numbers:

- [1] **Entry:** No. **65** (*Bind us together*)
- [2] **Penitential Act:** No. **659** (*Lord, have mercy*)
- [3] **Gospel Acclamation:** No. **679** (*Celtic Aleluia*)
- [4] **Offertory Hymn:** No. **419** (*O Lord my God – How great thou art*)
- [5] **Sanctus:** No. **704** (*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord*)
- [6] **Agnus Dei:** No. **737** (*Lamb of God*)
- [7] **Communion Hymn:** No. **32** (*Amazing Grace*)
- [8] **Thanksgiving: Portuguese Hymn** – “*Encontrei Deus de surpresa*”
- [9] **Final Hymn:** No. **175** (*Go, the Mass is ended*)

Cátia and her sister, **Helena**, (who both used to play the organ and sing at our English Service Mass in the past) are returning to the Chapel this week, as **Larysa** is preparing for the birth of her twin babies and we may not see her for quite some time! We will miss her while she's away, and wish her well in this precious and exciting time. ♥♥♥

» Bible Group:

Joint Anglican - Roman Catholic
Bible Group:

THURSDAYS | 2:00 – 3:30pm |
in the English Church Library.

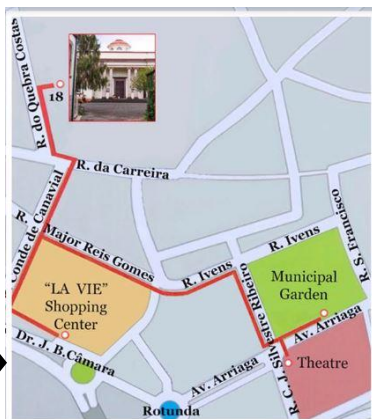
Rua do Quebra Costas nr.18, Funchal.

Looking at *Jeremiah*.

For more info:

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Directions to English Church (for Bible Group) →



Tall?

**Please beware
low door lintels
in the Chapel
when leaving
the Sanctuary
after Holy
Communion**

Don't forget to **leave your yellow
Hymn Book and Order of the Mass**
sheets at the Chapel entrance
after mass ☺



Tea and Coffee After Mass

**Please join us in the
Social Hall across the garden.**

Newsletter from Madeira. Keep in touch! This newsletter is brought to you every week by a team of volunteers: Father Bernardino (who writes our Weekly Column: *From my Heart to your Heart*); Chris (*Scripture Readings*); Josefina and Larysa (*Hymns*); Tracy and Jennifer (*stories of interest, layout and newsletter printing*). If you would like to receive a copy of our newsletter by email every Sunday, ask to be added to the weekly distribution list by sending an email to: penhafranca.newsletter@gmail.com The newsletter can also be downloaded from the Chapel's website/blog: www.rcmassmadeira.org