


21st October 2018 – 10h00 Sunday Mass

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Chapel of Our Lady of Penha de França,
Rua Penha de França 3, Funchal, Madeira

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THE CATHOLIC ENGLISH MASS IN MADEIRA:

Good morning! Welcome to the Chapel of Penha de França. **The special intention of this morning's Mass** will be offered for the soul of **John Stephen Hinchliffe** and for the intentions of the **Dos Ramos family** (Marcelino, Rita, Cristiano, Laurence, Carmelita, and Lucia). **Our priest this morning is Fr. Bernardino Andrade.** This 10h00 Mass is the only Catholic Mass celebrated entirely in English on the whole island of Madeira.



TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

(Isaiah 53: 10-11; Ps 32(33):4-5.18-20.22; Hebrews 4: 14-16; Mark 10: 35-45)

The reading is from **Isaiah's** last "suffering servant" song, which we hear more fully on Good Friday. Israel is identified as God's innocent servant suffering to bring to completion God's plan for the salvation of all mankind. For Isaiah suffering need not be a punishment for sin. Suffering by the righteous could "redeem" the sins of others – but only if the sinners saw it as symbolising separation from their sins, like the scapegoat sent into the desert. Christians saw Jesus as the suffering servant who redeems mankind. **The psalm** praises the Lord's power and kindness, confident that he will rescue us from our urgent waiting. Continuing from last week, our reading from the **Letter to the Hebrews** calls Jesus "the Son of God" and "the supreme high priest". Since he was tempted just like us, he is merciful and we must have confidence that he can bring us to God's "throne of grace". After Jesus' third prediction of his passion in **Mark's Gospel**, two Apostles ask if they can share in the kingdom's rewards? They do not understand the sort of kingdom Jesus is bringing in. The Apostles will share in Jesus' suffering, and in doing so they will show themselves to be servants to all.

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PSALM RESPONSE:

May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

TODAY'S HYMN MUSIC

– By: Larysa Makarova

Entry Hymn: "Give me Joy in my Heart" – n. 161

Offertory Hymn: "Father, I place into Your hands" - n. 134

Communion Hymn: *Instrumental*

Thanksgiving: *Instrumental*

Final Hymn: "All over the world the Spirit is moving" - n. 19



FROM MY HEART TO YOUR HEART

- Brought to you by Fr. Bernardino Andrade

1 - EMBARRASSING PAGE OF THE GOSPEL

I fell deeper in love with the Bible when I discovered that the Bible was a parable of our lives. It is a parable of my life. It is like a mirror where I can see me, my Church and the world. I can see me in some good moments, like when I try to behave like Jesus. But also it is a mirror where I can see my stupidities and my embarrassing moments. I felt very good when someone one day told me: «*You speak with the accent of Jesus*». But in that mirror I can see so many dark sides of me and my church.

Today's Gospel (Mark 10) is one of those embarrassing

pages of the Bible. Two brothers – James and John approached Jesus and asked Him «*Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory*». «*When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John*». Hunger for power and jealousy invaded Jesus' community. They were the chosen ones. This is a real embarrassing page of the Gospel. But Jesus was so polite to them, so patient, so kind and ended his conversation like this «*Anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many*».



2 - LOVE IS SERVICE

A boy was consistently coming home late from school. There was no good reason for his tardiness, and no amount of discussion seemed to help. Finally, in desperation, the boy's father sat him down and said: «*The next time you come late from school you are going to be given bread and water for your supper, and nothing else. Is that perfectly clear son?*» The boy looked straight into his father's eyes and nodded. He understood perfectly. A few days later the boy came home even later than usual. That night however, when they sat down together at the table

there was only one slice of bread in his plate and a glass of water. His father's and mother's plate were full of food. The father waited for the full impact to sink in, then quietly took the boy's plate and placed it in front of himself. He took his own plate and put it in front of the boy. The boy understood what his father was doing. His father was taking upon himself the punishment that he, the boy, had brought upon himself by his delinquent behaviour. Years later the boy recalled

the incident and said: «*All my life I've known what God is like by what my father did that night.*» «***The Son of Man came to give his life to redeem many people.***»



Peace and Love,

Fr. Bernardino Andrade

INSPIRATIONAL QUOTES FOR THE WEEK



MASS SPECIAL INTENTION

The special intention of this morning's Mass is offered for the soul of John Stephen Hinchliffe.



John was born on 1 October 1943 in Huddersfield in the North of England. He had a successful career in the City before retiring to the Isle of Man in 1987. He had three children from his marriage to his wife Sandra: Tom, Kate and Laura. He had 4 grandchildren: Ben, Beth, Arthur and Eleanor. He came to Madeira to live late in his life in 2013 but really enjoyed his time here, especially the warmer weather!

The community at Penha de França and all who knew John are sorry to hear about his passing. We remember him attending Mass at the Chapel here in Funchal on Sunday mornings. We extend our condolences to his family: may our Lord bless and comfort you all during this time of grief.

BOOK SALE THIS MORNING

This morning at the Chapel there will be a book sale straight after our regular 10am Sunday Mass in English. Mrs Jane Caldwell and her husband have been regular visitors to our island for the past 15 or so years. **Mrs Caldwell**, from England, **is an author**, and after learning about the poverty on the island, decided to write a novel to help the "People Helping People" project which was started here at the Chapel (more info about this project on the last page of the newsletter). The novel is called



"Frozen Stiff" and is a **light-hearted, slightly romantic detective story; a typical holiday read.** It will be on sale today after Mass for 10 Euros; absolutely every cent will go directly to helping those in need through "People Helping People".

Happy Reading!

Jane Caldwell (janecaldwell902@gmail.com)



PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION – At the Chapel

From October 20th to November 4th, 2018 there will be a **photographic exhibition with the title of "Sob a Vossa Proteção" ("Under Your Protection") in the social hall of the Chapel.**

Walking through the streets on the island you may have noticed some religious panels of tiles that embellish houses, walls, facades of churches etc. All these tiles tell stories of faith, devotion, lives touched, loved and protected by the Divine. This exhibition is a collection of photography by Father Miguel Lira who was born in Calheta, Madeira Island in 1987. He was ordained a priest in July 2012, and is currently pastor of the parishes of Graça and Curral das Freiras.

Come along and see this collection of photographs in the social hall from

Monday to Saturday: 10h00-12h00 and 14h00-18h00

FREE ENTRY



PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE (PHP)



"You should wash each other's feet"
(John 13:14).

People Helping People 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 after the floods in 2010! In a short period of time we 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...**

The Mission Statement of People Helping People is... through social solidarity, to mobilize many people to help many people in a combat against poverty, hunger, illness, exclusion, indifference, intolerance, and social injustice, with a special preference for the last, the least and the lost, having as a model the person of Jesus, the «Good Shepherd» (Gospel according to Luke, chapter 15). Our wish is that it may always be an open door when all the other doors close, building in this way, different feelings and acts of Mercy (Gospel according to Luke, chapter 6 and Matthew chapter 25).

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JOIN US AFTER MASS FOR TEA AND COFFEE!

- The **Social Room** is right across the garden, **in front of the Chapel**. Please feel free to go there after mass this morning, and **enjoy a cup of coffee or tea**, and cake.



- We also have a **Visitor's Book** there, where you can leave a message, tell us what country you are from, write a short note about your experience of being at mass in Penha de França Chapel, or give us any suggestions.



- We have a **world map where you can put a pin on your home town**. Please take a few minutes to do this... we'd love to know where you're from!

- And we also have a **Little Free Library** where you're welcome to take a book, leave one in exchange, or contribute with a small donation for the book/s you take - all proceeds go to our *People Helping People* fund [we are in partnership with Sinead (from Movnihan's Irish Bar, on the corner up the road from the Chapel) who also collects any unwanted books]. **So please join us!** ☺



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