

## PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE (PHP)

*People Helping People is a small project founded in the Chapel of Penha de França to help those in need.* Our former 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).



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

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### >> TRANSFER TO BANK ACCOUNT IN MADEIRA:

#### ACCOUNT NAME:

Associação Gente Ajudando Gente

**BANK:** Banco Santander Totta

**ACCOUNT NUMBER:** 0003 4938 1759020

**IBAN:** PT50 0018 0003 49381759020 94

**SWIFT:** TOTAPTPL

**NIB:** 0018 0003 49381759020 94

#### Bank Address:

Caminho de Santa Quiteria 46A,  
9020-119, Funchal  
Madeira, Portugal.



### >> DONATIONS FROM THE UK:

**ACCOUNT NAME:** Sinead Moynihan

**BANK:** Lloyds Bank

**ACCOUNT NUMBER:** 02461743

**BRANCH:** Univ. of Cambridge

**SORT CODE:** 30-13-55

**IBAN:** GB05 LOYD 3013 5502 4617 43

**BIC:** LOYDGB21035



The funds will then be transferred to Madeira. Any questions or concerns about transferring to this account, please contact Sinead Moynihan at: sineadmoynihian7@icloud.com

### >> PAYPAL:

genteajudandogente2016@gmail.com

### >> DONATIONS FROM THE USA:

**Instructions for sending funds to People Helping People in Madeira, Portugal, from USA:**

**Write a check made out to:** Fr Bernardino Andrade PHP  
in the bottom of the check in Memo area add: **PHP**



#### Mail the check to:

Mr. L.A. Contreras  
60 Meeks Lane  
Oakley, Ca 94561

The funds will then be transferred to the People Helping People account in Madeira, at no cost.

Any questions or concerns please contact Larry Contreras at 707-333-5501 or email him at: l.a.contreras@sbcglobal.net

## JOYFUL GIFT

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19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

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

### Website and Blog:

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### CATHOLIC MASS IN ENGLISH

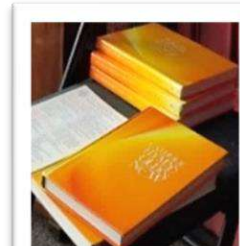
**Good morning! Welcome to the Chapel of Our Lady of Penha de França. The Chapel was founded 400 years ago (in 1622) by Antonio Dantas,** who wanted to provide the garrison of soldiers close by in the port of Funchal, a space for prayer. It has also been the home of some bishops, including D. Manuel Agostinho Barreto who made this chapel his residence, ending up being, for many, the first hermitage of the diocese (he led a life of penance and prayer). Sister Mary Jane Wilson, founder of the *Congregation of the Franciscan Sisters of Our Lady of Victories (Nossa Senhora das Vitórias)* also passed through here. And it was also here in the Chapel of Penha de França, that the first mass in English was celebrated in 1966, by Fr. Agostinho Rafael which continues to happen every Sunday at 10 am. Father Bernardino Andrade is now our appointed Sunday priest for this 10am mass in English. It is the only Catholic Mass celebrated entirely in English on the whole Island of Madeira. Father Bernardino was born in Madeira but lived and preached for many years in America, and also in Mozambique.

### TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

(*Wisdom 18:6-9; Psalm 32(33):1-22; Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19; Luke 12:32-48*)

The **Wisdom of Solomon** was the last book of the Old Testament to be written. It was written in Greek, not Hebrew, so not in the Septuagint nor therefore in the Protestant Bible. The final chapters meditate on the Exodus, contrasting the woes visited on the Egyptians at the first Passover with the gifts given by God to the Israelites. **The Psalm** celebrates God's faithfulness, power and wisdom, justifying our confidence in him. The 2<sup>nd</sup> readings in August from **Hebrews** describe faith, which gives assurance to our hopes. Abraham is the prime example of a man of faith: he obeyed God's command to go to a new land; he believed God's promise that he and Sarah would have a child in their old age; and he passed the supreme test of faith when God asked him to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. God's last minute reprieve for Isaac is seen as a return from the dead. In **Luke's Gospel**, following the parable we heard last week about the rich man building a bigger barn, Jesus assures us that we will be given all the resources we need to meet the Lord's demands. He then urges us to have faith and to be prepared.

**PSALM RESPONSE:** Happy are the people the Lord has chosen as his own.



### TODAY'S HYMN MUSIC

**Entry** - "Mary Most Holy..." - n. 364

**Offertory** - "Father I place into your hands..." - n. 134

**Amen** - n. 726

**Communion** - "Amazing Grace..." - n. 32

**Thanksgiving** - Silence for Reflection

**Final** - "O Lord my God..." - n. 419

**Food items are also appreciated and can be left in the basket at the Chapel door on Sunday mornings.** When sending any donation, please send an email to penhafranca.newsletter@gmail.com with the date, and name on the transfer so that Fr. Bernardino is able to confirm with you as soon as the transfer is received. Thank you.

