

***** Bishop Patrick

PROSTRATION BY BISHOP PATRICK, FR DOMINIC AND FR GERRY

HYMN: Be still and know I am with you No. 163

LITANY OF HOPE AND TRUST

Response: *****

CANDLE OF ATONEMENT

The Candle of Atonement is now lit from the Paschal Candle.

Everyone is invited to come forward and light their own candle from the Candle of Atonement.

PRESENTATION OF LOUDFENCE RIBBONS TO BISHOP PATRICK BY ANTONIA SOBOCKI

Antonia will speak about the work of LOUDfence

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray as Jesus taught us: *Our Father...*

CLOSING PRAYER

Father of hope and consolation, be the guardian of all who suffer abuse,
send healing for their wounds.

Restore the faith of the people of your church who feel betrayed and ashamed.

Deepen our respect for the dignity of every human life.

Heal the brokenness of all victims and survivors,

and renew the spirit of all who seek your healing.

We ask this through Christ our Lord

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: Be not afraid No. 757

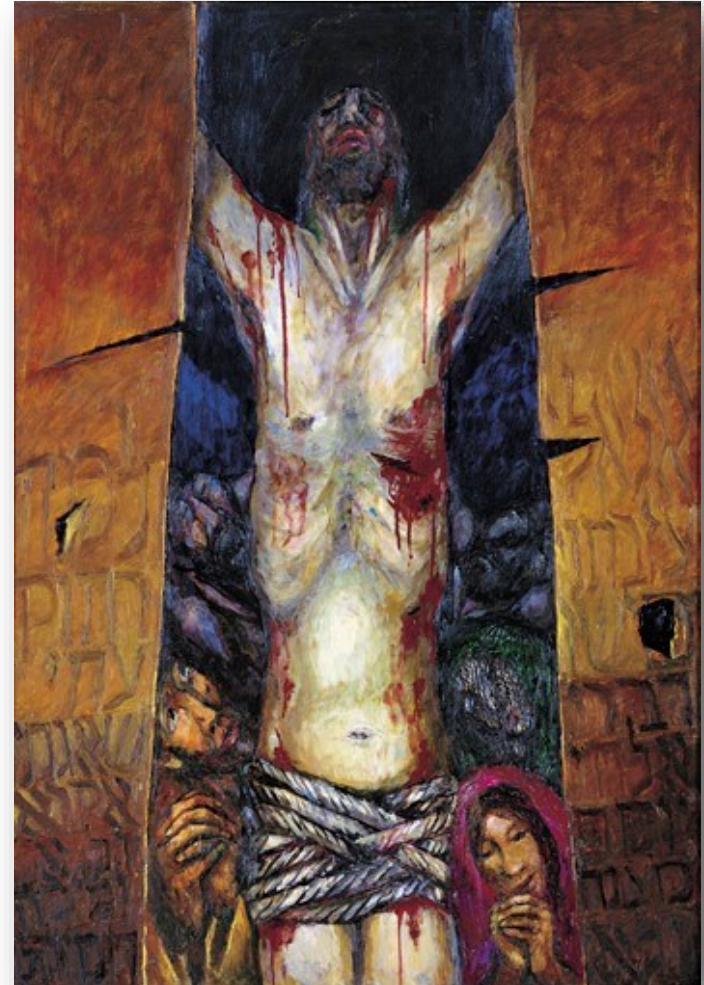
Our thanks to Bishop Patrick, Antonia Sobocki and Fr Dominic Allain for being with us this evening. Thank you to everyone who came and prayed with us during the day.

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Prayer Service for the Victims and Survivors of Abuse



'Holocaust' - Sieger Köder

St Anne's , Buxton ~ 23rd April 2024

~WELCOME~

OPENING HYMN: Hymn: Amazing Grace No. 131

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION: Fr Gerry

OPENING PRAYER

God of endless love, you sent your Son Jesus who showed us
how to welcome little children because the Kingdom of God belongs to them.
We are sorry for what some of us did to your children;
abused and treated them cruelly, especially when they were in need.
We have left them with lifelong hurt; this was not your plan for them.
Show us the way to openness, humility and repentance,
so that we can be enfolded in your mercy,
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

VICTIM RECORDED TESTIMONY (Listening with Love - CBCEW)

‘What about us?’ – P!NK - the voice of hurt and angry victims and survivors

ACT OF REPENTANCE

Response: Hear our prayer.

For the little ones of our community who have been abused: sexually, emotionally or
physically... Lord, in your mercy. **(R)**
For the courage to accept with integrity and honesty what has happened in our
community... Lord, in your mercy. **(R)**
For a spirit of compassion that puts an end to acts of abuse to our little ones...
Lord, in your mercy. **(R)**
For the gifts of wisdom and compassion in those who minister to the hurting ones...
Lord, in your mercy. **(R)**
For a renewal of the love that protects the most vulnerable people in our care...
Lord, in your mercy. **(R)**

God of strength on whom we lean,
help us to create an atmosphere which allows us to speak the reality we dare not face,
to establish a safe place for those who, in their pain, reach out to us,
and a community not afraid of the past,
nor of walking into the future with hope,
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

LISTENING TO THE WORD

1ST READING: 1 Cor 12: 12-27

PSALM: I will never forget you my people (Choir)

GOSPEL: Mark 10: 13-16

HOMILY: Fr Dominic Allain (Grief to Grace)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray for the children, young people, and vulnerable adults whose lives have been
scarred and broken because of the sexual abuse by clergy. We especially remember the
young people of Buxton who suffered so badly due to Fr Cullen's actions.

Lord in your mercy..... **(R) Hear our prayer**

Let us pray for the families of those who have been abused as they seek to bring comfort
and healing to those innocent ones. Give them patience, openness, and perseverance so
that they can sow the seeds of new beginnings.

Lord in your mercy..... **(R) Hear our prayer**

Let us pray for the parishioners of St Anne's who feel so betrayed by and ashamed because
of the abuse carried out here in our parish. May they feel strengthened tonight by each
other and the honesty and repentance of Bishop Patrick.

Lord in your mercy..... **(R) Hear our prayer**

Let us pray for god's blessing on all professionals who are working with victims and
survivors and their families. May counsellors, doctors, spiritual directors, police, and
solicitors share with them the healing touch of Christ.

Lord in your mercy..... **(R) Hear our prayer**

Let us pray for all who minister in our parishes and in our schools. For clergy, for teachers
and all school staff, and for parish volunteers, that we might all share the welcome and
friendship of the church community.

Lord in your mercy..... **(R) Hear our prayer**

Let us pray for the people of Buxton who felt scandalised by the abuse here in Buxton. May
they recognise the efforts of the parish community to better protect children and
vulnerable adults. May the people of St Anne's and all the Buxton churches be a light of
hope in our town.

Lord in your mercy..... **(R) Hear our prayer**

Let us join our prayers with those of our Blessed Mother as we say together

Hail Mary, full of grace....