



Please pray for those who died recently – Mary Kelly (Receiving on Tuesday at 6.00pm; Requiem Mass on Wednesday 7th February at 10.00am), James McAuslin (Ballerup Terrace) (Receiving on Thursday at 9.45am; Requiem Mass on Thursday 8th February at 10.00am), Emma Harkinson (Belmont Avenue) (Receiving on Thursday at 6.00pm; Requiem Mass on Friday 9th February at 10.00am), Laraine Fox, James Michie, Carol Stewart (Larkhall), Edward Douglas Macdonald, Bob Sinclair, Fr Andy O’Sullivan CSSP (Holy Ghost Fathers, Carfin), John Bryan

Pray also for the Months Minds and Anniversaries of – Charlie Bradley, Tony Conroy, Pat & Mary Boyce, Molly Gibson, Jim Hanlon, Patrick & Hannah O’Hare, Jimmy McCourt, John Knotts, John Shannon, Willie Mulgrew, William & Elizabeth Kirk, William & Margaret McCollum, Eddie Sherry.



Please pray for the sick – Jackie Fleming, Eileen Robertson, Mary McGuire, Carole Gaffney (Australia), Samuel Ruddy (age 20), Marianne Doherty, Kerr Gildie, Charlotte Jordan, Eileen Mullan, Dick Cohen, John Watson, Ann Gough, Catherine Watson, Susan Gough, Roseanne Dupree, Tony Slaven, Lena Connochie, May McCormack, Marie Docherty, Leslie Docherty, Linda Hogg, Joseph Berry, Anne Adams, Gerry Kelly, Nancy McLellan, Terry McLellan, Paul Gallagher, Mary Johnstone, William Ellis, Elizabeth Hunter, Gian Adjuda, Betty McKenna, Sister Margaret Conroy FMM (Thatcham, Berkshire), Mary McManus, Margaret (Rita) McKay, Margaret Steele, William Oliver, Stephen Hart, Canon Michael Walsh (retired Parish Priest of St Aloysius’, Chapelhall), Mary Higgins (Wishaw), Robert Dunlop (Northfield, East Kilbride), Maria Christie, Maureen Cockburn (Montreal Park), Robert McPhail, Barbara Veitch, David Scott (St Leonard’s Parish, age 41), James Farmer (age 2), Patricia Gardyne Elizabeth Rogers (London)

**PARISH INCOME LAST WEEKEND**

Offertory Collection £1470.20  
 Second Collection £779.29  
 (Education)  
 Votives £183.51  
 Stall £70.00

Thank you for all offerings to the parish.

**PARENTS OF ALTAR SERVERS**

There is a list in the sacristy for the servers to fill out so we have a contact telephone number for each of them. It is useful for us to have a contact number if we have to get in contact with them or yourselves. Could you please ensure that they have filled out the form before they leave Mass this weekend . Many thanks for encouraging your child to serve at the altar.

**CONTEMPLATIVE THEOLOGY  
 REFLECTING ON OUR FAITH IN PRAYER**

During Lent, you are invited to experience "Contemplative Theology", our response to Pope Francis' call to "do theology on our knees." Contemplative Theology is simply reflecting on our faith in a prayer-filled environment, bearing fruit in action. We will meet in the Xavier Centre, Carfin on Thursdays 22nd February, 1st, 8th & 15th March from 7.30-9pm. Please see the flyer on the notice board for more details.

**NEWS FROM SCIAF**

SCIAF wishes to announce the screening of the compelling film "*The Claim - Blessed Oscar Romero, His People and Pope Francis*", on Tuesday 20th February in St Bride’s Hall, 21 Greenlees Road, Cambuslang, G72 8JB. Tea & coffee will be available in the Hall from 7.00pm and the film will start promptly at 7.30pm. Please contact Teresa on tmcgoldrick@sciaf.ork.uk or 0141 354 5555 to confirm your place. SCIAF look forward to welcoming you. Open to all. Free Entry.

**LET THE CHILDREN LIVE LADIES AFTERNOON TEA**

On 21st April there will be a ladies afternoon tea in the Alona Hotel, Strathclyde Park from 1.30-6.00pm. This is being organised by Irene Melrose of the Rocks Project Uganda and the tickets will cost £25. The Rocks Project Uganda supports and offers the opportunities of a better life. All money raised will be split between the Rocks Project Uganda and Let the Children Live. For more details please contact George McAleenan at georgemcaleenan@gmail.com

**WHITE MASS**

For Healthcare Professionals & the work of Healthcare in Scotland. 12 noon on Sunday 11th February in St Andrew’s Metropolitan Cathedral Clyde Street, Glasgow. To book spaces and for info email: scottishcma@gmail.com



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**4th February 2018  
 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time/Year B**

**THIS WEEK IN OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH**

**Sunday 4th February**

9.00am Mass for the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time/Year B  
 11.00am Mass for the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time/Year B

**Monday 5th February**

10.00am Mass for the Memorial of St Agatha  
 7.30pm Mass for the Memorial of St Agatha

**Tuesday 6th February**

8.15am Mass for the Memorial of St Paul Miki & Companions  
 10.00am Mass for the Memorial of St Paul Miki & Companions  
 6.00pm Reception of Mary Dorothy Kelly to the church

**Wednesday 7th February**

8.15am Mass for Wednesday in the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time  
 10.00am Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of Mary Dorothy Kelly

**Thursday 8th February**

8.15am Mass for Thursday in the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time  
 9.45am Reception of James McAuslin to the church  
 10.00am Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of James McAuslin  
 6.00pm Reception of Emma Harkinson to the church

**Friday 9th February**

8.15am Mass for Friday in the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time  
 9.15am Confessions until 9.45am  
 10.00am Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of Emma Harkinson

**Saturday 10th February**

9.15am Confessions until 9.45am  
 10.00am Mass for the Memorial of St Scholastica  
 10.30am Confessions until 10.45am  
 1.00pm Wedding Service of James Fergusson and Stacey McLean  
 5.15pm Confessions until 5.45pm  
 6.00pm Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Our Lady of Lourdes

**Sunday 11th February**

9.00am Mass for the Solemnity of Our Lady of Lourdes  
 11.00am Mass for the Solemnity of Our Lady of Lourdes

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION  
 ENROLMENT CEREMONY**

Welcome to the pupils, teachers and parents preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion to our 11.00am Mass this weekend. Please pray for all those involved in the preparation for this Sacrament.

**ASH WEDNESDAY - 14TH FEBRUARY**

Masses for Ash Wednesday are:  
 7.00am Mass with distribution of ashes  
 10.00am Mass with distribution of ashes  
 7.30pm Mass with distribution of ashes

**READINGS FOR TODAY/SUNDAY  
 4th February 2018**

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time/B**  
 Job 7:1-4, 6-7; Psalm 146: 1-6  
**R/. PRAISE THE LORD WHO HEALS  
 THE BROKEN HEARTED.**  
 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23;  
 Mark 1:29-39.

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY  
 11th February 2018**

**Solemnity of Our Lady of Lourdes**  
 Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46  
 Psalm 31: 1-2,5,11  
**R/. YOU ARE MY REFUGE, O LORD, YOU  
 FILL ME WITH THE JOY OF SALVATION.**  
 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1; Mark 1:40-45

**NEXT WEEKEND**

The Parish Lenten Programme will be available in the Parish Bulletin and as a flyer for more general distribution to your family, friends and neighbours. The SCIAF materials for Lent will also be available. Please pick up both from the back of the church next weekend.



## ST PATRICK'S NIGHT with "SILVER STRAND CEILI BAND"

A fantastic night of Irish music with a variety of singing, dancing and Ceili.

Friday 16th March in the Hall

7.00pm until 11.00pm

Light supper of pies, cakes and tea

Irish Bingo, Raffles etc

BYOB and a glass or two!

Tickets cost £10.00

and are available from Ennis and the Stall in the church

It would be appreciated if you would pay for your tickets in advance of the event

### CATHOLIC EDUCATION SUNDAY

Today we pray for all those who teach, learn and work in our Catholic Schools. This is a very important and significant year for Catholic Education throughout Scotland as we celebrate the centenary of the establishment of Catholic Schools in our country. A number of events are taking place throughout Scotland to mark the centenary.

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

The Hairmyres Team are asked to attend a meeting in the Oratory on Thursday 8th February at 7.30pm

### THE PARISH HALL

**Sundays** Tea Bar open today after 11.00am Mass  
Indoor Bowling 2.00 - 4.00pm (Main Hall).  
All welcome. Contact 01355 267009.

**Tuesdays** Bingo – At 7.30pm in the Hall

**Wednesdays** Tea Bar after 10.00am Mass

**Thursdays** Mother and Toddler Group, 10.30am until 12 noon

**Thursdays** Friendship Club, 1.30pm - 3.30pm

### PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The next Preparation Meeting takes place on Wednesday 28th February at 7.00pm in the Oratory, for parents and godparents as they look forward to the baptism of their child. If you are having your child baptised in the very near future we ask you to attend.

### LOCAL FOODBANK

The next collection for our local foodbank is this weekend.

Thank you for your ongoing and generous support for the most needy in our community.

### PARISH FEAST DAY & 60TH ANNIVERSARY

This year we celebrate the 60th anniversary of the founding of our parish community and next week we will celebrate our Parish Feast Day, the Solemnity of Our Lady of Lourdes. After the 11.00am Mass everyone is welcome for some light refreshments and snacks in the Parish Hall to mark the occasion.

On the Sunday evening there will also be:

**A MARIAN TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION** in the church beginning at 6.00pm. We will recite the Rosary and conclude the procession with Adoration and Benediction.

We encourage all parishioners to join us for this special event especially in this year when we celebrate the 60th anniversary of the founding of our parish, and the 160th anniversary of the apparitions of Our Blessed Lady to St Bernadette at Lourdes.

### LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

This year is the 70th anniversary of the founding of the Diocese under the patronage of Our Lady. The Diocese is organising a pilgrimage from **20th-27th July**.

For those who would like to travel as a parish group with the Diocesan Pilgrimage please meet in the Oratory on Tuesday 13th February at 6.30pm. It would be wonderful to have as many people as possible join us on this pilgrimage as we celebrate these special anniversaries.

### PARISH 60TH ANNIVERSARY

We will commemorate this milestone on Easter Sunday. More details to follow.

### MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP

On Tuesdays in the Oratory after 10.00am Mass

### PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

No Vocations Prayers this Friday.

### ROSARY

Recited after 10 o'clock Mass from Monday to Saturday with Novena in Honour of the Miraculous Medal on Saturdays

Our Lady of Lourdes Church will be open for private prayer this week at the following times:

**Sunday**  
8.00am until 4.00pm

**Monday**  
9.00am until after Evening Mass

**Tuesday to Friday**  
8.00am until 4.00pm

**Saturday**  
9.00am until after the Vigil Mass

### PARISH LENTEN TALKS

*Walking With Jesus on the Way of the Cross*  
7.30pm

**Tuesdays 20th February    27th February    13th March    20th March**

In a series of four reflections, Fr Andrew Robinson will take us on a step by step guide through the last days of Jesus as recorded in St Mark's Gospel. We will start by joining our Lord in Bethany where he is lavishly anointed; then we will accompany him to the Upper Room for the Last Supper; we will witness his agony in the Garden of Gethsemane; listen in at his trial before Pontius Pilate; follow him to the Cross on Calvary; and, finally, we will witness his burial in Joseph of Arimathea's new tomb. Fr Andrew will introduce us to many new aspects of this familiar account and, together, we will plumb its hidden depths. Then, when we hear the Gospel proclaimed at Mass on Palm Sunday, we will really appreciate its richness and be moved and inspired by its power.

Fr Andrew Robinson is a priest of the Archdiocese of Liverpool. He lives and works at St Mary's College, Oscott, a seminary in Birmingham where he helps to train the next generation of priests. As a former parish priest, Fr Andrew really enjoys exploring the scriptures with parishioners and making connections between the texts and our daily lives.

### PARISH MEN'S GROUP

We are hoping to establish a Men's Group in our parish in the near future.

The aim of the group would be to bring men of all ages together to share interests and hobbies such as football, golf, snooker, walking, jogging, the gym and other pastimes.

There would be a spiritual dimension to the group too with monthly or bimonthly talks or spiritual input.

Whether you are young, old, or somewhere in between, please give some consideration to joining with other men from the parish to share common interests and to come together to develop your spiritual life together.

### MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

**Saint Agatha** was born around 231 in either Catania or Palermo, Sicily to a rich and noble family. From her very early years, the notably beautiful Agatha dedicated her life to God. She became a consecrated virgin, that did not stop men from desiring her and making unwanted advances toward her. One of the men who desired Agatha was Quintianus whose persistent proposals were consistently refused. So, knowing that Agatha was a Christian during the persecution of Decius, Quintianus had her brought before the judge. He was the Judge. He expected her to give in to his demands when she was faced with torture and possible death, but she simply reaffirmed her belief in God by praying: "Jesus Christ, Lord of all, you see my heart, you know my desires. Possess all that I am. I am your sheep: make me worthy to overcome the devil." With tears falling from her eyes, she prayed for courage. He had her stretched on a rack to be torn with iron hooks, burned with torches, and whipped. Noticing Agatha was enduring all the torture with a sense of cheer, he commanded she be subjected to a worse form of torture Agatha is believed to have died around the year 251. St. Agatha is the patron saint of Sicily, bellfounders, breast cancer patients, Palermo, rape victims, and wet nurses. She is also considered to be a powerful intercessor when people suffer from fires. St Agatha, pray for us.

**Saint Paul Miki and companions** Paul was the son of a Japanese military leader. He was born at Tounucumada, Japan, was educated at the Jesuit college of Anziquiama, joined the Jesuits in 1580, and became known for his eloquent preaching. He was crucified on February 5 with twenty-five other Catholics during the persecution of Christians under the Taiko, Toyotomi Hideyoshi, ruler of Japan in the name of the emperor. Among the Japanese laymen who suffered the same fate were: **Francis**, a carpenter who was arrested while watching the executions and then crucified; **Gabriel**, the nineteen year old son of the Franciscans porter; **Leo Kinuya**, a twenty-eight year old carpenter from Miyako; **Diego Kisai** (or Kizayemon), temporal coadjutor of the Jesuits; **Joachim Sakakibara**, cook for the Franciscans at Osaka; **Peter Sukejiro**, sent by a Jesuit priest to help the prisoners, who was then arrested; **Cosmas Takeya** from Owari, who had preached in Osaka; and **Ventura** from Miyako, who had been baptised by the Jesuits, gave up his Catholicism on the death of his father, became a bonze, and was brought back to the Church by the Franciscans. They were all canonized as the Martyrs of Japan in 1862. Saint Paul Miki and companions, pray for us.

**Saint Scholastica** St. Scholastica was the sister of St. Benedict. After her brother went to Monte Cassino, where he established his famous monastery, she took up her residence at Plombariola, where she founded and governed a monastery of nuns, close to St. Benedict. She visited her brother once a year. On one evening they sat down to take their reflection. St. Scholastica begged her brother to remain until the next day. She turned to prayer and a furious thunderstorm burst so that neither St Benedict nor any of his companions could return home. They spent the night in spiritual conferences. The next morning they parted to meet no more on earth. Three days later St Scholastica died, and her brother saw her soul in a vision as it ascended into heaven. He sent his brothers to bring her body to his monastery and laid it in the tomb he had prepared for himself. She died about the year 543, and St Benedict followed her soon after. St Scholastica, pray for us.