

Please pray for those who died recently

Gerard Bradley (Reception & Vigil on Tuesday at 6.00pm with Requiem Mass on Wednesday at 10.00am. Thereafter to East Kilbride Cemetery), Margaret O'Rourke (Reception & Vigil on Wednesday at 6.00pm with Requiem Mass on Thursday at 10.00am. Thereafter to Philipshill Cemetery), Gerry Buntain, Elizabeth Liddiard, Paul MacAlaney, Kathleen Russell.

Pray also for the Months Minds and Anniversaries of

Gerry O'Connor, Francis Muldoon (90th Birthday Remembrance), Cathie McKerracher, Nan & Andrew Curran, Sandra Brown, Margaret Ferns, Catherine McKinney, Catherine & Peter Keegans, Agnes & William Magill, Margaret Hendry, Pat Bonar.

Please pray for the sick

We may well be able to place the names of the sick in our parish bulletin provided it is only for use within the parish community i.e. not placed on the bulletin page on our website. We are going cautiously on this until we have more clarity on this matter. Hopefully we will publish our list of the sick in next week's bulletin.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR OFFERINGS LAST SUNDAY
AND FOR YOUR CONTINUING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR OUR PARISH**

Offertory Collection £1446.94 Votive Candles £217.06 Stall £70.00

In the meantime, Holy Communion will be distributed under one form at 10.00am Mass on Saturdays.

PRAYER AND DEVOTIONS

- ◆ The Mother's Prayer Group meets as usual this week on Tuesday after 10.00am Mass in the Oratory.
- ◆ Prayer for Vocations on Friday in the church at 2.00pm.
- ◆ Legion of Mary meets Monday evenings in the Parish Hall at 8.00pm.
- ◆ Pro Life Prayers on Wednesday in the Oratory. Divine Mercy Chaplet at 6.40pm. Prayers for Life from 7.00pm. Concludes at 8.00pm.
- ◆ Novena in honour of the Miraculous Medal at 9.30am on Saturdays and recitation of the Rosary
- ◆ The next meeting of the Padre Pio Prayer Group will be on Wednesday 21st June at 7.30pm

PARISH HALL

- ⇒ Tearoom today/Sunday after 11.00am Mass
- ⇒ Bingo on Tuesdays at 7.30pm
- ⇒ Tearoom after 10.00am Mass on Wednesday
- ⇒ Mother & Toddler Group on Thursdays
- ⇒ Friendship Club on Thursdays from 1.30pm
- ⇒ Please phone this number for hall Bookings or Enquiries – 07800981354

ST ANDREW'S AND ST BRIDE'S HIGH SCHOOL

Presents "Mary Poppins" on 19th/20th/21st June at 7.30pm in the school.

Tickets (£5.00) available from the school on 01355 574110 or Hilary on 07714981908

SCIAF 6K FAMILY FUN RUN

10.00am on Saturday 9th June at Strathclyde Country Park
Entry Fee £10.00 for adults and £5.00 for children.
www.sciaf.org.uk.6k

DAY FOR LIFE

Second Collection at Sunday Masses today for the Day for Life.

Your contributions assist the Church in promoting our teaching on the dignity and sacredness of human life.

Please take one of the flyers from the table in the porch giving a summary of this year's theme for the Day for Life – "Halting Human Trafficking".

PRIESTHOOD

Priests ordained within the last five years for our diocese have a formation meeting tomorrow/Monday here at Our Lady of Lourdes.

They will have a quiet Holy Hour of Prayer between 4.30pm and 5.30pm in the church, concluding with Evening Prayer at 5.30pm and a simple Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

You are very welcome to join them for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and to pray for them and for all priests.

Recently, we had two seminarians from our diocese at the Scots College in Rome ordained deacons—Mark O'Donnell and Charles Coyle. Deacon Charles will be with us in OLOL on pastoral placement in August of this year.

At the end of June, two more seminarians from our diocese will be ordained deacons at St Mary's College, Oscott, — Kieran Hamilton and Kevin Lawrie.

This will give us four new priests for our diocese in 2019. Good news indeed!

The Solemn Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on Friday is a Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests. Bishop Toal has asked the priests of our diocese to join him for Evening Prayer at Holy Family, Mossend, to pray for priests and he has invited Fr Sean to be the Preacher. A great honour for our young priest.



Our Lady of Lourdes

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SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST/YEAR B

(CORPUS CHRISTI)

3rd JUNE 2018

ST MARGARET'S PILGRIMAGE

DUNFERMLINE

SUNDAY 3rd JUNE

- From 11.00am Visit sites associated with Margaret's life
- 1.45pm Gather at Pittencrieff Park gates for Procession
- 3.00pm Holy Mass at St Margaret's Memorial Church

ANNUAL CEMETERY SERVICE

Philipshill Cemetery
Today/Sunday 3rd June at 3.00pm.

CARFIN LOURDES GROTTO

Diocesan Eucharistic Procession at 3.00pm led by Bishop Toal. All welcome to attend to celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ.

**SUNG EVENING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH
AND BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Today/Sunday at 6.00pm.

All parishioners are encouraged to participate in this evening's liturgy, especially those who have a public role in the liturgy of the Church as Altar Servers (current and new servers), Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Cantors and Musicians, Passkeepers, Leaders and Helpers of the Children's Liturgy.

Refreshments for all in the Parish Hall afterwards.

**DO YOU FEEL CALLED TO SERVE GOD
AS A PERMANENT DEACON?**

Any men who would like to find out more about the Permanent Diaconate are invited to attend an 'Enquiry Night' in Holy Family, Mossend, on Monday 11th June at 7.30pm. Please note that any who come to this Enquiry Night can do so without any fear of commitment. This is an information night only. (The Permanent Diaconate is open to men, married or unmarried, 25 years +)

LOCAL FOODBANK

This weekend is our June collection for the local foodbank. In recent weeks an urgent plea was made, via Twitter, for the following – cereals and tins of hotdogs, potatoes, vegetables and tuna; tins of fruit and puddings; meals in a can e.g. stew, macaroni and cheese. Given your remarkable support throughout our involvement in the foodbank, it would be marvellous if we were able to respond favourably to this request. Thank you for your sustained and sustaining generosity.

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES
PRIMARY SCHOOL
SUMMER FAYRE**

Friday 8th June

6.00pm–7.30pm

Entry (Adults) £1.00. Kids free.

Bouncy Castle, Tombola, Beat the Goalie, Raffles, Toys, Tuck Shop, Hot Food.

All welcome.

If any parishioners would like to donate a raffle prize or baking or Tombola items, these can be handed in to the school office.

WEEK 9 IN ORDINARY TIME

The church is open this week from 8.00am until 8.00pm

Sunday 3rd June Solemnity of The Body and Blood of Christ/Year B

- 9.00am Mass for the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ/Year B
11.00am Mass for the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ/Year B
12.30pm Sacrament of Baptism
6.00pm Sung Evening Prayer of the Church & Benediction

Monday 4th June

- 10.00am Mass for Monday of Week 9 in Ordinary Time
6.30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 7.25pm
7.30pm Mass for Monday of Week 9 in Ordinary Time

Tuesday 5th June St Boniface, Martyr. 673-754.

Born at Crediton in Devonshire and educated in monastery schools in England. He went as a missionary to Germany. He founded monasteries in Bavaria, including Fulda in 735.

- 8.15am Mass for the Memorial of St Boniface
10.00am Mass for the Memorial of St Boniface
6.00pm Reception and Vigil for Gerard Bradley R.I.P.

Wednesday 6th June

- 8.15am Mass for Wednesday of Week 9 in Ordinary Time
10.00am Requiem Mass for Gerard Bradley R.I.P.
6.00pm Reception and Vigil for Margaret O'Rourke R.I.P.

Thursday 7th June

- 8.15am Mass for Thursday of Week 9 in Ordinary Time
10.00am Requiem Mass for Margaret O'Rourke R.I.P.
6.30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Benediction
Confessions from 7.00pm until 7.30pm
Night Prayer at 7.45pm concluding with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday 8th June DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SANTIFICATION OF PRIESTS

- 8.15am Mass for the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
9.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9.55am
9.15am Confessions until 9.45am
10.00am Mass for the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday 9th June St Columba, Abbot.

Born of royal blood in Gartan, County Donegal. In the year 563 he left for Iona where he founded a monastery from which the Faith was preached in the Highlands and Islands of Scotland. He died in 597 and was buried on Iona.

- 8.15am Mass for the Feast of St Columba
9.15am Confessions until 9.45am
9.30am Recitation of the Rosary & Novena in honour of the Miraculous Medal
10.00am Mass for the Feast of St Columba
5.15pm Confessions until 5.45pm
6.00pm Mass for Sunday 10/B in Ordinary Time

Sunday 10th June Ordinary Sunday

- 9.00am Mass for Sunday 10/B in Ordinary Time
11.00am Mass for Sunday 10/B in Ordinary Time

The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ



The Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, also known to an older generation of Catholic as the Feast of Corpus Christi, finds its origin in the Twelfth Century. The feast celebrates the Real Presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist—Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. Up until a few years ago, the feast was celebrated on the Thursday following the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity. Nowadays, we celebrate the feast of Corpus Christi on the Sunday after Trinity Sunday.

Up until the Twelfth Century, the Eucharist was treated with great respect but there was a desire in that century to focus on the real presence and on the need of paying Christ in the Eucharist the tribute of adoration and splendid surroundings. This new devotion to the Blessed Sacrament came into existence particularly in Belgium under the influence of a nun, Juliana of Retinnes (1192 - 1258), of the Augustinian Convent of Mount Cornillon near Liege.

She revealed a series of visions that had been granted to her, the first of them occurring in 1208. She saw a lunar disk surrounded by rays of dazzling white light; on one side of the disk, however, there was a dark spot that spoiled the beauty of the whole. The Lord explained to her that the dark spot meant that the Church still lacked a solemn feast in honour of the Blessed Sacrament.

In 1246 in Liege, a feast of the Blessed Sacrament was introduced and celebrated on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday. James Pantaleon, archdeacon of Liege and a confidant of Juliana, later became Pope Urban IV (1261 - 1264) and extended the feast to the Universal Church. While living as Pope at Orvieto, he was overwhelmed by the news of a Eucharistic Miracle in nearby Bolsena: a priest tormented by doubts about the real presence saw a host change before his eyes into a bit of bloody flesh that left stains on the corporal.

The Procession in honour of the Blessed Sacrament, although not prescribed initially for the feast, very quickly became a popular practice spreading throughout Catholic Europe. According to some sources, Corpus Christi was celebrated in England from 1318 onwards; other sources say between 1320 and 1325.

Here are some reasons put forward for the Church establishing today's feast in the Twelfth Century.

- ◆ A severe penitential discipline meant many Catholics could not readily approach the altar to receive Holy Communion.
- ◆ At this time there was a widespread desire to look upon the Sacred Host. In fact, so intense, that in some places the faithful would go from church to church, arriving just in time for the elevation of the Host at the Consecration of the Mass.
- ◆ For some classes of sinners, the only way they could participate in the eucharistic celebration was to gaze at the Host.
- ◆ The church was also busy defending the faithful against doubts about the reality of Christ's Eucharistic Presence.
- ◆ The Mass was always regarded as a sacrifice, but the aspect of the sacrificial meal receded very much into the background, and attention was focussed on the idea of God's majestic descent to the altar at the Consecration. As a result, celebration of the Mass came to be characterised by profound reverence; increasingly monumental and majestic altars were built; the ritual became ever more solemn.

To celebrate the feast today makes good sense, given the centrality of the Eucharist in the life of the Catholic Church. The Catechism of the Catholic Church describes the Eucharist as the "sum and summary of our faith" and the Second Vatican Council called the Eucharist the "source and summit of our faith." By celebrating the feast at Sunday Mass, perhaps also with a Eucharistic Procession and/or an extended period of Eucharistic Adoration concluding with Benediction, we remind ourselves of and we emphasise our firm belief in the true Presence of Christ in Holy Communion, in the Holy Eucharist, in the Blessed Sacrament. It's a day for a parish, for a diocese, for the universal church, to affirm faith and to celebrate the love of the Lord present in the Eucharist. This love we proclaim, this love we share and live with one another, this love we share with the world around us. In the Eucharist we are in communion with the Lord and with one another. Today we are called to give thanks to God for the gift of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.