

Please pray for those who died recently

Joe O'Hare (Private Requiem Mass on Wednesday 27th May at 10.00am with Committal at South Lanarkshire Crematorium later that same day), Mrs Bruna Gonnella, Dougie Cragg, Edward Blue, Cathy McSorley (formerly Kittoch Court and latterly of Saltcoats), Betty Ruth.

Pray also for the Months Minds and Anniversaries of

Bishop Joseph Devine - 10.00am Mass on Saturday 23rd May will be offered for the repose of the soul of Bishop Devine, Agnes McMahon, Frank McMahon (Snr), Ellen & Frank Edison, Rose Tierney, May McKeown, Frank & Mary McWilliams, Teresa Woodside, Ann Little, Christina Samson.

PARISH OFFERINGS UPDATE

Offertory Collection (includes Easter Offering)	£410.00 (plus Standing Orders £800.00)
SCIAF Wee Boxes Lenten Appeal	£1681.00
Votive Candles	£55.00

Thank you for your contributions for the upkeep of the parish in these difficult times and also thanks to those who have set up to make their contributions by Standing Order. In response to some requests made last week by email and phone call, we provide our bank details for purposes of making your offerings by Standing Order.

Account No 40450205 for Our Lady of Lourdes RC Church East Kilbride
Sort Code No 82-62-24

Several donations have come in for the Local Foodbank in the past week and these will be acknowledged in the bulletin in June, bearing in mind that our next collection for the Foodbank is on the weekend of 6th/7th June.

Several parishioners have requested the lighting of votive candles at the Statue of Our Blessed Lady for the May Devotions at 12 noon each day. To do so, please contact us by email or phone or on the Parish Facebook Page. If you are in the OLOL Group Chat, you will be familiar with these requests by now.

THE WEE BOX FOR SCIAF

Thank you for returning your SCIAF WEE BOXES over the last few weeks. We have forwarded the proceeds totalling £1681.00 to SCIAF. Although down on last year's figure, nevertheless it is still a healthy donation from our parish. Of course we know that a number of parishioners made their donation directly to SCIAF, so the figure from our parish will be more than the above total. We are happy to take your WEE BOX for SCIAF at any time and we will forward all monies for SCIAF as quickly as possible.

You can also contribute directly to SCIAF on 0141 334 8555 or go to sciaf.org.uk/weebox

APPRECIATION AND THANKS FROM OUR LOCAL FOODBANK

Dear Phil,

Thank you so much for your generous donation through Give.net and for all of the continued support from Our Lady of Lourdes, it is very much appreciated especially in these uncertain times. Your kindness and generosity is helping us provide the additional help that is needed within the community at this time.

Your donation is invaluable in helping us to continue and is enabling us to:

Distribute food parcels through our drop ins

Deliver food parcels to those in need who are isolating within our community.

Along with the normal non-perishable food that we usually distribute, we have significantly increased our provision of hygiene, cleaning, and sanitary items. We have also introduced fresh food packs, which include fruit, vegetables, bread, milk and eggs.

Since the beginning of the lockdown we have seen a steady increase in the need for food parcels within the community. We are currently distributing 324 food parcels (double the number we were distributing prior to lockdown), and 140 fresh food packs a week.

Serving our community continues to be a great privilege and we are extremely grateful for the support we have received that has allowed us to significantly scale up to meet the demand that this pandemic has brought.

A heartfelt thank you for your support.

Every Blessing

Karen



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THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER/YEAR A

17th May 2020

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Blessed Sacrament (The Holy Eucharist) is exposed on the altar of our church every day from 6.00pm until 7.00pm. We pray the Regina Coeli at 6.00pm and then pray the Evening Prayer of the Church in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament. This is followed by a time of quiet prayer for about 20 minutes and concludes with the Litany of Supplication for use during the time of this pandemic. We conclude this time of prayer with Benediction at about 6.45pm.

If you can join us from your homes for all or part of this time of prayer this would be really wonderful. Even if you would consider being with us in prayer for the Benediction at 6.45pm - which concludes by 7.00pm. The Service of Benediction is a really beautiful part of Catholic prayer and tradition. And to receive the Blessing of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament at the evening of the day is a powerful enrichment for all of our lives.

Those of you who watched the special Urbi et Orbi given by Pope Francis in St Peter's Basilica in the early days of this pandemic and the Blessing of an empty St Peter's Square will surely testify to the very moving experience we shared with the whole world that evening.

Those of us who have taken part in Benediction over the years, with a large or small crowd, in a church or at a place of Pilgrimage like Lourdes or even at Carfin Lourdes Grotto, know of the special moment of grace when the priest blesses us with Christ present in the Blessed Sacrament. We know from people's experience how their lives were touched at that moment of blessing and how so many experienced the healing and merciful love of Christ at precisely that moment. What a blessing this could be for our families and for our parish community! It would be particularly beneficial and good for our young people to have this experience regularly.

You can google Benediction at Lourdes and also the special Urbi et Orbi Blessing and see for yourselves.

THE MONTH OF MAY and DEVOTIONS TO OUR BLESSED LADY

Please respond to Pope Francis' request to the Catholic world to pray the Rosary during May and in the days of the pandemic. We pray the Rosary in our church at 12 noon each day during May. Do join us for the whole Rosary or even just for one of the decades.

NOTICES FOR THE BULLETIN

Intimations (Months Minds, Anniversaries, Recently Deceased, The Sick and any other notices for the Bulletin) can be handed in to the Parish House, emailed to us at ourladyoflourdes@rcdom.org.uk, or intimated through our Facebook Page. If you wish to join OLOL Group Chat, please email us with your name and mobile phone number and then we will add you to the OLOL Group Chat. Keep up to date with us. If you have any other Prayer Requests, please use these channels of communication to get in touch with us. Or phone our landline number - 01355 224511.

THE SEASON OF EASTER

Sunday 17th May (Readings: Acts of the Apostles 8: 5-8.14-17; Psalm 65; 1 Peter 3: 15-18; John 14: 15-21)

10.00am Morning Prayer of the Church
 11.00am Mass for the Sixth Sunday of Easter
 12noon May Devotions in Honour of Our Blessed Lady
 Regina Coeli, Recitation of the Rosary, Litany of Our Blessed Lady
 5.00pm Mass for the Sixth Sunday of Easter
 6.00pm Regina Coeli followed by a Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament
 6.00pm Evening Prayer of the Church
 6.40pm Litany of Supplication - Pope Francis
 6.50pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
 9.30pm Night Prayer of the Church

Monday 18th May (Readings: Acts of the Apostles 16: 11-15; Psalm 149; John 15: 26-16:4)

9.30am Morning Prayer of the Church
 10.00am Mass for Monday in the Sixth Week of Easter.
 12noon May Devotions in Honour of Our Blessed Lady
 Regina Coeli, Recitation of the Rosary, Litany of Our Blessed Lady
 6.00pm Regina Coeli followed by a Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament until 6.55pm
 6.00pm Evening Prayer of the Church
 6.40pm Litany of Supplication - Pope Francis
 7.00pm Mass for Monday in the Sixth Week of Easter
 9.30pm Night Prayer of the Church

Tuesday 19th May (Readings: Acts of the Apostles 16: 22-34; Psalm 137; John 16: 5-11)

8.15am Mass for Tuesday in the Sixth Week of Easter
 9.30am Morning Prayer of the Church
 10.00am Mass for Tuesday in the Sixth Week of Easter
 12noon May Devotions in Honour of Our Blessed Lady
 Regina Coeli, Recitation of the Rosary, Litany of Our Blessed Lady
 6.00pm Regina Coeli followed by a Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament
 6.00pm Evening Prayer of the Church
 6.40pm Litany of Supplication - Pope Francis
 6.50pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
 9.30pm Night Prayer of the Church

Wednesday 20th May (Readings: Acts of the Apostles 17: 15.22-18:1; Psalm 148; John 16: 12-15)

8.15am Mass for Wednesday in the Sixth Week of Easter
 9.30am Morning Prayer of the Church
 10.00am Mass for Wednesday in the Sixth Week of Easter
 12noon May Devotions in Honour of Our Blessed Lady before the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima
 Regina Coeli, Recitation of the Rosary, Litany of Our Blessed Lady
 6.00pm Regina Coeli followed by a Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament
 6.00pm Evening Prayer of the Church
 6.40pm Litany of Supplication - Pope Francis
 6.50pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
 9.30pm Night Prayer of the Church

THE NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT begins on Friday of this week and concludes on the Saturday before the Solemn Feast of Pentecost. We will pray the Novena at Mass the end of daily Masses. THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET is prayed every day at 3.00pm.

THE SEASON OF EASTER

Thursday 21st May (Readings: Acts of the Apostles 1: 1-11; Psalm 46; Ephesians 1: 17-23; Matthew 28: 16-20)

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

8.15am Mass for the Solemn Feast of the Ascension of the Lord
 9.30am Morning Prayer of the Church
 10.00am Mass for the Solemn Feast of the Ascension of the Lord
 12noon May Devotions in Honour of Our Blessed Lady
 Regina Coeli, Recitation of the Rosary, Litany of Our Blessed Lady
 6.00pm Regina Coeli followed by a Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament
 6.00pm Evening Prayer of the Church
 6.40pm Litany of Supplication - Pope Francis
 6.50pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
 9.30pm Night Prayer of the Church

Friday 22nd May (Readings: Acts of the Apostles 18: 9-18; Psalm 46; John 16: 20-23)

8.15am Mass for Friday in the Sixth Week of Easter
 9.30am Morning Prayer of the Church
 10.00am Mass for Friday in the Sixth Week of Easter
 12noon May Devotions in Honour of Our Blessed Lady
 Regina Coeli, Recitation of the Rosary, Litany of Our Blessed Lady
 6.00pm Regina Coeli followed by a Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament
 6.00pm Evening Prayer of the Church
 6.40pm Litany of Supplication - Pope Francis
 6.50pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
 9.30pm Night Prayer of the Church

Saturday 23rd May (Readings: Acts of the Apostles 18: 23-28; Psalm 46; John 16: 23-28)

8.15am Mass in Honour of Our Blessed Lady
 9.30am Morning Prayer of the Church
 10.00am Mass in Honour of Our Blessed Lady (Anniversary Mass for Bishop Joseph Devine)
 12noon May Devotions in Honour of Our Blessed Lady
 Regina Coeli, Recitation of the Rosary, Litany of Our Blessed Lady
 6.00pm Regina Coeli followed by a Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament
 6.00pm Evening Prayer of the Church
 6.40pm Litany of Supplication - Pope Francis
 6.50pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
 9.30pm Night Prayer of the Church

Sunday 24th May (Readings: Acts of the Apostles 1: 12-14; Psalm 26; 1 Peter 4: 13-16; John 17: 1-11)

10.00am Morning Prayer of the Church
 11.00am Mass for the Seventh Sunday of Easter
 12noon May Devotions in Honour of Our Blessed Lady
 Regina Coeli, Recitation of the Rosary, Litany of Our Blessed Lady
 5.00pm Mass for the Seventh Sunday of Easter
 6.00pm Regina Coeli followed by a Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament
 6.00pm Evening Prayer of the Church
 6.40pm Litany of Supplication - Pope Francis
 6.50pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
 9.30pm Night Prayer of the Church