



HOLY CROSS PARISH

25 February Second Sunday of Lent (B)2018

The
Season
of
Lent



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There will be a Second Collection for Sick and Retired Priests

Thank you to the Social Committee who prepared the meeting room, tea and cake for the Parishioners to say goodbye and express their thanks to Fr Prasad last Sunday. He had been presented with a cheque from the Parish. He was thanked by Mgr Bradley for his service to the Parish and Archdiocese over the last 2 years and particularly as Hospital Chaplain for the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital. Fr Prasad expressed his thanks and will remember everyone in his prayers now he is back in Italy. Pictures on web site.

'Could you not watch one Half Hour With Me?'

The Season of Lent provides us with time to reflect on our life; our faith and our relationship with God and others. We continue with our talks at 1pm in the Meeting Room where you can choose to spend 30 minutes in prayer/reflection to help us prepare to celebrate the greatest mystery of our Christian Faith; **'the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus'** (a cuppa will be provided after the 11.30am Mass)



2nd Sunday Lent 25 February – Sr Françoise
3rd Sunday Lent – 4 March – Sr Pius;
4th and 5th Sunday 11/18 March – Moira Macaulay
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
After the 9.30am Mass on Mondays and Wednesdays

Friday is the First Friday of the month. Mass will be at 9.00pm in the Convent.

Please pray for Naailah Docherty & Linda McNulty who are preparing to enter full Communion with the Church at Easter.

Rite of the Christian Initiation of Children

Parents of children who are Primary 3 and 4 and **do not** attend either Holy Cross or St. Bride's primary school and are preparing for either the Sacrament of Reconciliation which is on Saturday 10 March after 9.30am Mass or First Holy Communion, which is on the 13 May, at the 11.30am Mass are asked to make themselves known to Mgr. Hugh.

40 Days for Life: What are you doing for Lent?

Will you watch and pray one hour with us each week this Lent to pray for a culture of life in Scotland? 40 Days for Life is a growing grassroots prolife lay movement which seeks to replace the culture of death with a culture of life. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the implementation of abortion in the UK. During this time the UK has aborted more than 8.7m babies, more than half a million of these babies have been Scottish children (Source: ISD Online) In his encyclical Evangelium Vitae (Gospel of Life) St. Pope John Paul II wrote 'To defend and promote life, to show reverence and love for it, is a task which God entrusts to every man' EV para 42 'What is urgently called for is a general mobilisation of consciences and a united ethical effort to activate a great campaign in support of life. All together, we must build a new culture of life: EV para 95. To join the 40 Days for Life prayer vigil email Ogilvie2018@outlook.com. 40 Days for Life stands in prayerful solidarity with all of the women, men and children whose lives have been damaged/taken by abortion.

Sacrament of Reconciliation The Circle Club in preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation meets on Saturday 3 March at 10.30am – 12md in the Meeting Room. Please remember the children in prayer

We have SCIAF 'the wee box appeal' boxes for you to take away if you haven't already done so.



The UK Government will double every pound donated by the Government Aid Match Scheme Thankyou

You can help in many different ways either by giving up a favourite treat, like coffee or chocolate, for the 40 days of Lent and putting the money saved in your WEE BOX or by holding a fundraising event.

Lentfest is a community festival run by AGAP (the Archdiocese of Glasgow Arts Project) since 2007 to encourage reflection on faith ideas through the creative and performing arts during a season of renewal and reparation. To find out what is on during Lentfest and to book tickets, please visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/archdiocese-of-glasgow-arts-project-12669649046>

Please see leaflets on tables at back of the church.

Pioneer Total Abstinence, Association of the Sacred Heart: Annual Lenten Retreat at St Patrick's Church, Coatbridge on Tuesday, 27 February 2018 at 7.00pm. All welcome. Why not think about taking the Short Term Pledge for Lent? For further information contact your local Pioneer Centre or the National Secretary, Susan McBride, 4 Myrtle Drive, Shieldmuir, Wishaw, ML2 7TZ. Tel: 01698 375950. Prayer leaflets are available at the back of the church. Poster in porch.

The Beginning Experience are holding a residential weekend for those who find themselves suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or widowhood. The Weekend will take place from 23—25 March 2018 at St Marys' Kinnoull' Perth. For details contact Ros on 0131669 or email rsm2524@yahoo.co.uk. Completed Applications must be returned by Friday 9 March. See Poster in porch.

Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of
Julia O'Donnell

Whose funeral takes place at 9.30am Mass
Monday 26 February

We offer condolences to the family of
Ann Craig
who died recently.



Next Sunday's Readings
Third Sunday of Lent(B) 2018

First Reading: Exodus: 20:1-17
Second Reading: Corinthians: 1:22-25
Gospel: John: 2:13-25

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS
THOSE WHO ARE ILL

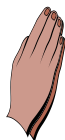
Mgr Peter Smith; Fr Neil; Thomas Tausney; John Holgate; James Doherty; Martin Doherty; Adam Bond; Christine Bradley; Lisa Sinclair; Ann McGinnes; Rose Boyle; Susan Cameron; Patrick Gallagher; Charles Gallagher; Cara McBride; Ian Hastings; Christina Lynch; Mary McKeag; Neil Campbell; Steven McLeod; Craig Robertson; James Thomson; Kim Taylor

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY

Jerry Crilley; Marie Thomson; Dan Sweeney.

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH IS ABOUT THIS TIME

Mary Barrett; Jim McCort; Bridget, Frank & Michael McFadden.



COLLECTIONS:

£ Offertory £685.22
Gift Aid £183.00
Sick & Retired Priests £567.29
Many Thanks

Sunday Masses: Sat Vigil 6.00pm; 9.30am; 11.30am.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: 11.30am Mass.
For children 4-11 yrs of age.

Weekday Masses:

Monday—Saturday: 9.30am.

Holyday of Obligation: Vigil 6.00pm; 9.30am; 6.00pm

Exposition: Monday; - Thursday after 9.30am Mass –11.00am.

Confessions:

Saturday 10am-10.30am and after Vigil Mass.

Also on request.



Baptisms, Marriages, Sick Calls
Please contact Parish house to arrange.

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