



HOLY CROSS PARISH

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Year of St Joseph 2021

In line with the Government's announcement to move Scotland into Tier 3. Mass capacity have been relaxed. Churches can now allow a congregation size which is commensurate with the size of the church while still maintaining a 2 metre social distance between individuals, bubbles or family groups. While Holy Cross can safely accommodate 50 individuals, we can safely allow a bigger congregation if there are family groups or bubbles attending.

To give effect to this we are going to cease requiring people to book for the Vigil and Sunday Masses. Until the congregation is in place, we cannot estimate how many people we can safely seat. All Masses, including the Vigil and Sunday Masses, seating will be allocated on a first come basis. However, based on the attendance figures which we have seen between the lockdowns we hope to be able to accommodate everyone who turns up. If safe capacity is reached then we will have to close the Mass to additional attendees. Attendees at Mass are asked to attend as early as possible to allow the congregation to be safely seated. The impact of the change will be monitored for the next two weeks to assess its impact.

Monsignor Hugh Bradley

Confirmation will be celebrated in Holy Cross at 7pm on the evening of Thursday 3 June 2021.

If there are any children of P7 age who are not at Holy Cross or St Bride's School, parents should speak to Mgr Bradley immediately to make arrangements.

First Confession, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. If you have a child who is due to receive one of these Sacraments this year and is not a pupil in Holy Cross or St Bride's schools, please contact Mgr Bradley to make arrangements,

New Gift Aid Envelopes are now available in church. If you require them to be sent, please email us. If you are not yet a Gift Aid Donor Please speak to Mgr Bradley

Many of you know that we in the UK are hosting the **Rosary Stronghold with the Holy Family May 2021** Rosary Mission which culminates in a National Rosary Relay Rally across the Diocese of England, Wales and Scotland on Trinity Sunday, May 30th from 9am to 9pm. Each Diocese has been designated a Rosary Hour for this day. On May 24th we will encourage our Schools to pray the Rosary.

See information at - www.walsingham.org.uk and www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk - Our Launch video with Bishop John Keenan will be released soon.

Rosary Stronghold is united in prayer with the Rosary Mission of the Holy Father

Our Lady's Shrine in Walsingham has been given the great privilege of being the the launch Shrine for praying the Rosary at 6pm (BST) on Saturday May 1st amidst the Holy Father's programme for the evening.

More details will follow on this, as we hope that the faithful of the UK, will join in online with this Rosary via our Walsingham TV livestream.

List of 30 Marian Shrines who have been designated by the Holy Father to lead the Rosary throughout the month of May.

Fifth Sunday of Easter – 2nd May 2021

“Saul went round preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord.” Could you have the zeal of Saul for sharing the power of the Gospel and the love of Christ? Speak to your Vocations Director, contact Priests for Scotland or visit our [website](#) or [Facebook](#) pages ([PFS](#) or [VocationNetworkScotland](#)) for more information.

“As we enter into this month dedicated to our Blessed Mother, we bring to mind all mothers. That, like Mary, they would be able to love and cherish their children from the point of conception. We pray also that these women would find support in their spouses, family and friends as they journey through the joys and trials of parenthood. Lord hear us”

On Saturday, 22 May 2021, at Carfin Grotto, SPUC Scotland will display 14,000 white flower images, one for every child lost to abortion in Scotland in one year, to create a ‘carpet of flowers for the unborn’. Bishop Toal will bless the physical display at 2pm. If you would like to sponsor a virtual flower, please visit www.whiteflower.org.uk or call SPUC Scotland (0141 221 2094) to make a donation.

At the Pontifical Scots’ College this Sunday Archbishop Arthur Roche, Secretary of the Congregation for Divine Worship will celebrate Holy Mass, during which he will ordain four Scottish seminarians Deacons.

Please pray for:

Malcolm Hutchison (Diocese of Dunkeld)

Joshua Moir (Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh)

Kevin Rennie (Diocese of Galloway)

Edward Toner (Archdiocese of Glasgow)

The ordination ceremony can be followed live on the Scots’ College Facebook page or YouTube page:

<https://scotscollege.org/diaconate-ordinations/>

There are copies of a letter from the Catholic Bishops of Scotland regarding the upcoming General Election. Copies in the church and in the Important page on the web site.

The CPO Scottish Parliament Election resource was launched at the weekend and is now live. It can be accessed by using this link: [Scottish Parliament Election 2021 – Catholic Parliamentary Office \(rcpolitics.org\)](http://rcpolitics.org)

Prayer for Spiritual Communion



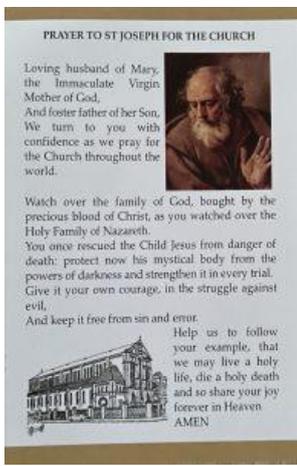
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**My Jesus
I believe you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the
altar.
I love you above all things and I passionately desire to
receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come
spiritually into my soul
so that I may unite myself wholly to you
now and forever. Amen**

Thankyou all for continuing your generosity to Holy Cross over the past Twelve months. Please continue to remember us.

This is a link for donating direct to Holy Cross Parish. [Holy Cross Parish.](#)

In the Prayers Page there is a Memorial Card for Archbishop Targalia R.I.P



With the Apostolic Letter “Patris corde” (“With a Father’s Heart”), Pope Francis recalls the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a “Year of Saint Joseph” from 8 December 2020 to 8 December 2021. To celebrate this a special prayer to St Joseph will be recited after each Mass. You are encouraged to join in with the prayer to St Joseph. Which is said every morning after Mass.

***Please Pray for
THOSE WHO ARE ILL IN THE PARISH.
Also, Family & Friends of those suffering during this time.***

Those who have died recently
Agnes McQuilter, Betty Nugent,
Maureen Baxter, Ruth Devlin.

Anniversaries
Jim Noone, Tilly Noone, Tony Noone, Paul Noone, Corey Stomer,
Henry & Jane Gallagher & Family. Johnny & Jenny Gallagher & Family,

Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of
Magaret McGillion, Nancy McGranaghan
Whose funerals were last week

Sunday and Daily Mass
Readings available at
[https://www.scotscatholic.org/
Mass-Readings.html](https://www.scotscatholic.org/Mass-Readings.html)

Sunday Readings
1st Reading Acts 9:26-31
2nd Reading 1 Jn 3:18-24
Gospel Jn 15:1-8

Feast Day
Monday Feast St Philip and St James

*Let us pray for one another and for our World.
Our Lady Health of the Sick Pray for us.
Mgr Bradley and Fr Johnson*

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