

**St Clare's Church in St John Bosco Parish, Easterhouse:** It is with regret that the Bishop has taken the decision to close St Clare's Church with immediate effect. This decision was taken due to the high cost of necessary repairs and the low attendance at the Church. It is hoped that Parishioners from St Clare's will now participate in St Benedict's Church.

**Free Food Donations:** If you know any parishioners or families within our parish or East Kilbride community who would benefit from free food donations, please let Fr Rafal know asap.

**November Lists:** This year please prepare your own November list and bring it to the Church. The purple basket is displayed as you leave the church next to SSVP box. For the month of November, we will offer Mass every day for all the deceased, and especially for the deceased mentioned in the November lists. If you have difficulty preparing your own November List, please do contact Fr Rafal.

**Collections During the Pandemic:** Collections baskets are placed at the entrance to the Church. Offerings, cheques, gift aid envelopes can be posted to the Church or through the door of the Chapel House. Alternatively, offerings can be made by bank transfer, the details of which are as follows: St Brides, Sort Code: 82-62-24, Account Number: 40500017. Thank you for any support and generosity during this difficult time. During the period between 5 and 19 October the collections/donations amounted £1,499.55 of which £960.00 was gift aided. Thank you.

**Anniversaries:** Alberto and Elio Faccenda, Marjory Blyth.

**Birthday Remembrance:** Luisa Faccenda.

**Recently Dead:** Elizabeth Smith, Hugh McGarvey, Angela McGroarty, Tom Coll.

Funeral arrangements for:

**RIP Sharon Collins:**

- Vigil reception on Thursday 29 October at 6pm followed by the Rosary (the parish hall will be open for additional 20 people).
- Requiem Mass on Friday 30 October at 11am (the hall will be open for additional 20 people) followed by burial in Philipshill Cemetery.

Both the Vigil and the Mass will be streamed online.

*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*



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**Sunday 25 October 2020**

**30<sup>th</sup> Sunday - Year A**



Matthew 22:34-40  
The Greatest Commandment

34 Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. 35 One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: 36 "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?"

37 Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. 38 This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself. 40 All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments

### **Masses**

Monday - Saturday 10am

Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 9.30am, 11.30am and 6.00pm

### **Holy Hour**

Thursday evenings 7pm to 8pm

**Confessions**

On request

**Feast Day:** Wednesday 28 October, *St Simon and St Jude*.

**Club 200:** This week's £60 winner is **Sadie Burns**. Please contact Fr Rafal for details on how to collect your cheque.

**My Day by Day Diary:** Anyone wishing to place an order for the 2021 Day by Day diary should contact Frances on 07946 165134. The approximate cost of the diary is £4.75/£5.00.

**John Henry Newman on the Sense of God in the Conscience:** This e-book may be downloaded **free of charge** to a computer, tablet, or phone. It offers an account of the thought of **Saint John Henry Newman** on a topic central to his life, namely the Conscience as involving a sense of God. There is also available with it an accompanying free e-book, which is an appendix containing several of Newman's early manuscript sermons. These e-books may be passed on to friends or acquaintances. **John Henry Newman on the Sense of God in the Conscience** may be accessed at [www.catholic-thoughts.info/johnhenrynewman](http://www.catholic-thoughts.info/johnhenrynewman)

On Tuesday 27 October **Justice and Peace Scotland** will be hosting an evening hearing from inspirational people serving on the frontline of the UK's hostile border environment. Our speakers include Clare Moseley, Founder, Care4Calais, Br Johannes Maertens, Founder, Maria Skobtsova Catholic Worker House, and Alex Holmes from Calais Catholic Worker. To join this online event please register at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/conversation-on-migration-tickets-122206736639>

**Rosary Whirlwind British Isles, October 2020:** Please see the poster at the back of the Church for details of Rosary Whirlwind British Isles for Faith, Life and Peace, with an invitation for all to join in a daily online Rosary at 8.00 pm. Bishop Toal will say the Rosary in his Oratory between 7.00 pm and 8.00 pm on 31 October.

**Traidcraft Goods for Sale:** Anyone wishing to purchase Traidcraft goods should do so either through their shop, [traidcraftshop.co.uk](http://traidcraftshop.co.uk), or through Pip herself. To get your catalogue please phone Traidcraft on 0191 491 0855 or Pip on 01355 222430.

**Mass Booking System:** Parishioners who **do not** have internet access and wish to book a Mass should call or text **07999 551680 Monday to Friday**. **Parishioners please note that block bookings cannot be taken.**

**The Parish Financial Report for 2019** is now available on our Parish website and Parish twitter.

**Call to Prayer** For the 32<sup>nd</sup> consecutive week, 14 Christian Churches and Organisations invite you to join in the Weekly Ecumenical Call to Prayer at 7.00 pm on Sunday 25 October. The prayer can be accessed by using the link below. <https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2020/Scottish-Christians-issue-weekly-call-to-prayer>

### **Liturgical Guidelines for Holy Masses in St Bride's East Kilbride:**

These guidelines may be reviewed at any time:

- Singing of Mass parts and hymns are not allowed.
- Organ music will be played by our organist only as a background.
- We will have one reader at lectern at each Mass.
- The sermon will be brief.
- In place of the words "Body of Christ" for each communicant, before the Celebrant receives Holy Communion, the Celebrant will say the words *May the Body and Blood of Christ keep us all safe to eternal life*, to which the congregation responds *Amen*.
- Holy Communion will be received in the hand.
- The Communicant should extend his/her hands to receive the host and then step two paces to the side to place the host on the tongue.
- Holy Communion is distributed after the final blessing. Parishioners will be directed to leave the Church immediately after receiving Holy Communion.
- Mass leaflets and printed copies of the bulletin are not available during the pandemic.
- Only our cantor can sing at mass (behind the screen).

### **Act of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament,  
I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul.  
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
As though You have already come,  
I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

**SSVP:** During the pandemic you may wish to make any donations to St Bride's SSVP via bank transfer. Details: Bank: Clydesdale Bank, E.K. Town Centre; Account Name: SSVP MW 05015; Account Number: 20538417; Sort Code: 82 62 24.

**P5** pupils will receive the **First Holy Communion** on four Saturdays in November at a special Mass at 11am (or 1.00 pm). We had to divide them into 5 groups to comply with the restriction of maximum 50 people in the church.