

Fr Rafal is saying Mass in our Church every morning at 8.00am. The Holy Hour takes place at 7.00pm on *Thursdays*; *The Rosary is being said at 7.40pm on Thursdays*. These are streamed live on our Parish Facebook page. Parishioners wishing to take part should go onto the website, [www.sbek.org](http://www.sbek.org) and click on the Facebook tab.

**Collections:** During the time that our Church is to remain closed, weekly offerings cheques can be posted to the Church or cheques and Gift Aid envelopes can be posted 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 4 and 24 May 2020 the collections/donations (cash, gift aid envelopes, cheques) amounted £1,834.00, of which £1,131.00 was gift-aided.

Any Parishioners who may be in need of help during this difficult time are asked to contact Fr Rafal who will be happy to provide the help where possible. Any Parishioners who may be able to help others should contact Fr Rafal.

**My Day by Day:** A few parishioners contacted Frances Caullay (mob. 07946165134) enquiring about My Day by Day prayer book. Frances contacted Arch Publishing. The order will be sent to her home address. She contacted those parishioners whose phone numbers she has and sent an order. If anybody wishes to place an order, contact Frances asap, please. People will be able to pick up the books at the church giving a specific date and time. Thank you Frances!

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

**Anniversaries:** William Campbell, James John Maguire (30 May), John McGregor.

This Wednesday (3 June) we will have the **4<sup>th</sup> anniversary** of **Canon Ryan**.

**Funeral arrangements:**

**R.I.P. Bridget Snakenburg** - service in South Lanarkshire Crematorium on Monday 1 June (hopefully will be streamed live at 3pm; Requiem Mass will be celebrated at later date)

*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 31 May 2020***

***Pentecost Sunday - Year A***



***Holy Mass is being streamed live every morning at 8.00am  
Holy Hour and Rosary are being streamed live on Thursday at  
7.00 to 8.00pm***

**Feast Days:** Monday 1 June: *The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church*; Wednesday 3 June: *St Charles Lwanga and Companions*; Friday 5 June: *St Boniface*. This Sunday, 31 May, is the Bishops of Scotland's Day for Life.

The Church is taking some action at the national level to prepare for a staged reopening of our Churches. These include materials for cleaning and disinfecting our church; masking tape will be useful to mark out areas of our church for physical distancing; hand sanitisers at the entrance and a face covering for people. We will have to observe the physical distancing of 2m. Our general rule of thumb is that this typically results in about 20 to 30 percent of the total capacity of our Church. There will be some changes when entering and leaving our church. We will be using a separate entrance (only the door near the stall) and exit (only the door near the sacristy); that does not apply to wheelchair persons. We will think about the numbers who attend typical Adoration and Masses, and estimate how many people will be able to come at any one time. We will be cleaning and disinfecting high-touch surfaces in common areas after each use. There is good evidence based advice on how to sew homemade face coverings at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html> and there may be volunteers willing to sew these.

#### **Lectio Divina for Teachers**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GoHQmk9x7UM>

Pope Francis asks us to pray the **Holy Rosary daily in response to COVID-19**. The letter and prayers are available at: Vatican News [vaticannews.va](https://www.vaticannews.va) provides the full text of Pope Francis' Letter on the Month of May, addressed to all the faithful throughout the world. ... Read and download/print at: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-04/letter-on-the-month-of-may-full-text.html>

#### **Ecumenical Call to Prayer - Sunday 31st May**

For the tenth week running, 14 Churches and Christian organisations across Scotland are calling on Christians to pray at the same time in response to the COVID-19 outbreak. Normally we would do so at 7.00pm but, at that time tomorrow, Bishop Toal will be leading the Rosary in the UK National Rosary Rally on Pentecost Sunday. This will be live-streamed by the Bishop. Therefore you may wish to take part in the Ecumenical Call to prayer, details of which are in the appended and included in the link below, at another time on Sunday. <https://churchofscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2020/scottish-churches-issue-joint-call-for-sunday-prayer>

#### **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.

#### **Day for Life**

Pope Francis has sent his blessing to Churches in the UK and Ireland for the Day for Life and invites everyone to uphold the dignity of every human life. In Scotland we normally keep the Day for Life each year on 31st May, the Feast of the Visitation. But, as that date this year is the Feast of Pentecost, we will miss the Feast of the Visitation. Normally we take up a Collection at this time for the Apostolate of Life but I am afraid we will miss that this year too. However, this is a opportune time for us to commend the work of Pro-Life Groups - the Innocents in our own Diocese, and also the Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child. Pope Francis also mentions that it is the 25th Anniversary of "Evangelium Vitae", St John Paul II's Encyclical on the Gospel of Life. <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-05/pope-francis-bishops-message-uk-ireland-day-for-life-2020.html>

#### **The Joyful Mysteries**

The following links lead to a resource, featuring videos from staff/pupils/clergy/parishioners etc, prepared by the Diocesan RE Team on the Joyful Mysteries.

The Annunciation <https://youtu.be/HZRZVaFwTVk>

The Visitation <https://youtu.be/iHmkuRILMsM>

The Nativity [https://youtu.be/lu\\_1zGV\\_yGw](https://youtu.be/lu_1zGV_yGw)

The Presentation <https://youtu.be/KXquhioXDJU>

The Finding in the Temple [https://youtu.be/e6KsEn\\_zn4](https://youtu.be/e6KsEn_zn4)

**Pentecost Sunday Children's Liturgy** <https://youtu.be/Xd3T1BU9eIM>

#### **Bishop's Message for Confirmandi**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-sP\\_BwrZjcM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-sP_BwrZjcM)

Some time ago a ring was found in our Church. Please let Fr Rafal know if you lost it.