

Club 200: This week's £60 winner is John Thompson. Please contact Fr Rafal to collect your cheque.

Ecumenical Call to Pray For the 61st consecutive week, 15 Christian Churches and Organisations invite you to join in in the Weekly Ecumenical Call to Prayer at 7.00 pm on Sunday 2 May 2021.

Collections During the lockdown: 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 April the collections/donations handed to church and Chapel House amounted £1,633.61 of which £1,019.00 was gift aided. Thank you.

Scripture & Spirituality Conference, 10 to 11 July 2021: This year's conference focuses on St. John of the Cross and his life changing teachings of how love can transform each and every one of us. For further information please go to www.carmelite.uk.net/ssc or email Ruth Preston at ruth.preston@carmelit.org.uk or phone 07849 596 572. Further details can also be found on the Parish Facebook and Twitter pages.

The Readers' Rota for 10.00 am Mass Monday to Friday for period 26 April to 14 May is displayed on the noticeboards at the back of the Church, in the Sacristy, and on the website.

The Scottish Government has now published its draft guidance on COVID Physical Distance Based Capacity (PDBC). This follows the decision to remove the cap on numbers attending our Churches from 26 April.

Anniversaries: Bridget Caullay, Antonio DiVito, Leo Mancini.

Recently Dead: Thomas Connolly, Betty Nugent, John Connolly.

Months Mind: Lorenzo DiVito.

Funeral arrangements for RIP John Connor:

Requiem Mass on Thursday 6th May at 10am followed by service in South Lanarkshire Crematorium

*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 2 May 2021
Fifth Sunday of Easter



Masses

Monday to Saturday 10.00 am

Saturday 6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 9.30 am, 11.30 am and 6.00 pm.

Holy Hour:

Thursday evening 7.00 to 8.00 pm

Confessions - On request

Feast Day: Monday 3 May: *St Philip and St James.*

Booking Masses: Every Wednesday from 11.00 am Parishioners with internet access can book Sunday Masses directly through Eventbrite. This can be done by either going onto the Parish website or the Parish Facebook page. Parishioners are advised that the number of attendees at each Mass will remain at 50. Should anyone need any help booking, then please do not hesitate to telephone 07999 551680. Children 4 years of age and under should not be counted when making Mass bookings.

We will have a **Coffee Morning** in our hall this Monday and Friday after 10.00 am Mass. All are welcome to attend. The rules are:

1. You must go directly to a table and not queue for food or drink.
2. All attendees must wear masks when entering, exiting, at the toilet and walking around the hall.

Congregating Outside Church after Masses: This is a reminder that anyone wishing to congregate outside the Church after Mass should do so further away from the doors to allow Parishioners to leave the Church. Please be sure to observe the social distancing rules.

Notices for the Bulletin should be sent to bulletin@sbek.org.

Gift Aid: A reminder that envelopes for the tax year 2021-2022 can be collected from the church. New members of the gift aid system are welcome. You only have to be a tax payer.

Food Parcels: If you know any Parishioners or families within our Parish or East Kilbride community who is in need and would benefit from food donations, or if you want to volunteer distributing the parcels, please let Fr Rafal know.

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.

This Thursday we have a requiem Mass at 10am in our Church. As all the seats are booked for the family, our parishioners will not be able to attend the morning Mass. Please accept our apologies and thank you for your understanding.

This Saturday at 10.00 am and 12.00 noon P4 students from St Kenneth's will receive the First Holy Communion. In view of this, there will be no 10.00 am Mass for Parishioners. Once again, please accept our apologies.

ISC Geneva invites you to join them by zoom in their Pentecost Retreat every Sunday at 2.00 pm for the next three weeks. The theme this year is to explore the mountains and valleys of the Holy Land and so encounter Jesus in a deeper and meaningful way. This program is offered by [Tantur Ecumenical Institute](#) in Jerusalem and the [Ignatian Spirituality Community](#) in Geneva. To get the zoom details, complete this [registration form](#) or call 07999 551680. Parishioners who took part in the Lenten Retreat gave exceptionally good feedback.

Right to Life UK: Earlier this year, the Northern Ireland Assembly voted on the Severe Foetal Impairment Abortion (Amendment) Bill and it passed Second Stage by 48 votes to 12. The Severe Foetal Impairment Abortion (Amendment) Bill will remove the current grounds in the Northern Ireland abortion regulations that were imposed on Northern Ireland that allow abortion for 'severe foetal impairment'. Under these grounds in the regulations, babies with disabilities including Down's syndrome, cleft lip and club foot can currently be singled out for abortion in Northern Ireland because of their disability and can be aborted right up to birth. The Northern Ireland Health Committee is now undertaking a consultation on the Bill and is seeking submissions from the public. Right to Life UK has set up an easy-to-use tool on their website that makes it simple to complete your submission. This tool can be accessed [here](#).

Year of St Joseph: At the end of the morning Mass on Mondays we will be saying the following prayer to St Joseph during the whole year of St Joseph.

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*

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.