

**Club 200:** This week's £60 winner is Arthur Fagans. Please collect your cheque from Fr Rafal. The current loan stands at £284,449.34.

**Laser Projectors:** We have finally installed two laser projectors and screens which will be used during Mass and services for hymns, readings, mass responses, etc. In this way we will not need to be using the hymn books or mass leaflets, which are touched/used by many people. We need to think now, if we need two more additional projectors on the other side of the church. We will think about it more seriously next year. We will also be displaying the order of service for funeral Masses or special occasion Masses. Families who wish to have the Order of Service displayed on the screen should send Fr Rafal an electronic version of the Order of Service. A laser projector has also been installed in our Parish Hall, and we think it would be especially useful for the Children's Liturgy. The projectors are connected to the internet and the sound systems in both buildings. These projectors will last easily for 10 up to 20 years without any special need of maintenance.

**Recently Dead:** James McNulty, Joan Patrick.

**Anniversary:** Mary and Edward O'Brien, James Tollan.

**Funeral arrangements for RIP Gerard Docherty:**  
*Requiem Mass at 10am on Wednesday 25 August and thereafter to Philipshill Cemetery*

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



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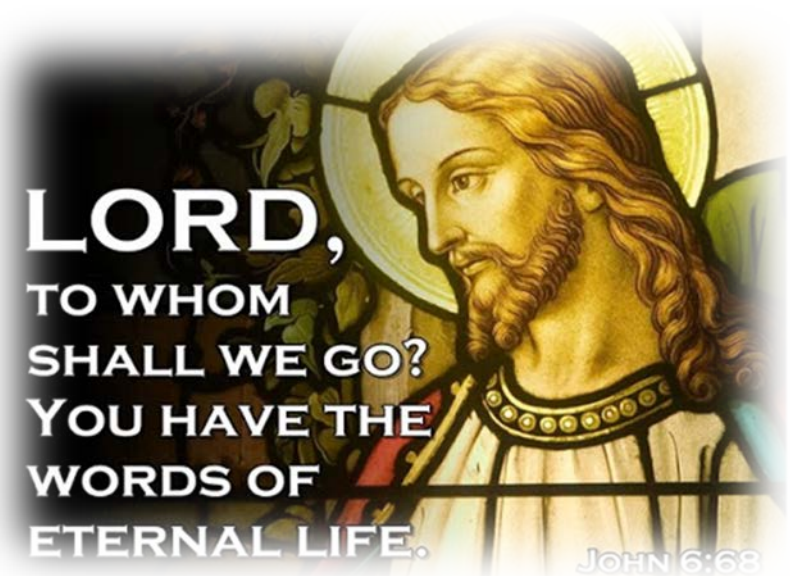
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**Sunday 22 August 2021**

**21<sup>st</sup> Sunday – Year B**



### **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 Days:** Tuesday 24 August: *St Bartholomew*; Friday 27 August: *St Monica*; Saturday 28 August: *St Augustine*.

**Diocesan Vocations Mass:** The annual Diocesan Vocations Mass will take place in the Cathedral on Thursday 26 August at 7.00 pm.

**Collection:** Offerings can be made by bank transfer, the details of which are as follows: St Brides, Sort Code: 82-62-24, Account Number: 40500017. There is a basket for the Sunday collection near the confessionals. Thank you for any support and generosity during the pandemic. During the period between 12-26 July cash donations amounted £1,240.08, of which £814.00 was gift aided; between 27 July and 8 August - £1,129.83, of which £812.35 was gift aided. Thank you.

**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.

**Sister Sheila's Garden and Bench:** Work is now finished in Sister Sheila's Garden, and Sister Sheila's Bench is now back in place in good time for her 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary on 8 September. Thank you to all who volunteered to help.

**St Kenneth's Primary:** Mass at the beginning of the new school year will be celebrated this Friday 27 August at 2pm.

**National Pilgrimage to The Shrine of Our Lady Of Lourdes at Carfin in Honour of St Joseph:** Bishop Toal extends an invitation to Dioceses, Parishes, Catholic Societies and Organisations, indeed to all the Faithful, to come to the National Pilgrimage at the Shrine to Our Lady of Lourdes at Carfin on Sunday 5 September. The Pilgrimage this year will be in honour of St Joseph, in this year dedicated to his honour. The main celebrant and homilist will be Rt Rev Brian McGee, Bishop of Argyll and the Isles.

**Parish Greek Family Afternoon:** On Sunday 19 September at 12.30pm we are holding a family afternoon in the Parish Centre. Many Greek/Mediterranean dishes will be prepared by our chefs Helens. You can choose whatever you wish from the varied menu. All families welcome along with children and friends, and we especially invite our parish volunteers. Admission is free. To book your seat(s) please call: 07448495491, email [stbridessocial@gmail.com](mailto:stbridessocial@gmail.com), or speak to our volunteers during Thursday Coffee Morning in the hall. For track and trace purposes we need your name, address, telephone number and number of people attending.

**How the Pandemic Affected Us:** With restrictions easing, as part of our Family Afternoon we thought that Parishioners may wish to share their thoughts on how the pandemic affected them, their experiences, and how it may have changed their way of thinking. This would be done in the form of a slide show, and presented during our Parish Afternoon. Anyone wishing to take part should email their comments, experiences and photographs (if any) to [bulletin@sbek.org](mailto:bulletin@sbek.org) by Sunday 12 September. Anyone without the internet who wishes to take part should hand their comments to Fr Rafal, or alternatively call **07999 551680** where we will be happy to help. Parishioners who may wish to share their photographs on the Parish FB page should speak to Fr Rafal or email [bulletin@sbek.org](mailto:bulletin@sbek.org).

Please be aware that certain COVID regulations are still in place. These are as follows:

**Track and Trace** will continue.

**Social Distancing:** The left hand pews facing the Altar are being reserved for Parishioners who wish to maintain social distancing.

Parishioners will continue to be shown to their seats.

Parishioners should arrive at the Church at least 15 minutes before the beginning of Mass. This will allow the stewards to book Parishioners in and show them to their seats before Mass starts.

**Face masks** must still be worn, unless medically exempt, although children under the age of 12 no longer require to wear face masks. Public singing is allowed, but face masks must be worn.

**As sanitisation is still of the utmost importance**, please continue to use the hand sanitisers when entering and leaving the Church.

Our church capacity is expanded to 200 people. If there are over 200 people at Mass we will have to apply the 'first come first served' rule.

**Bulletins** are now being printed and put at the back of the Church. We ask Parishioners who take the printed copy of the Bulletin to take it with them when leaving the Church.

**Thursday Coffee Morning:** Last Thursday, 19 August 2021, we restarted our coffee morning. These will take place every Thursday in the hall after 10am Mass. Please, feel free to join us. Admission is free. There is plenty of friendship, tea, coffee, biscuits, chocolate and more... Many thanks to our volunteers.

**Hall Keeping:** As COVID restrictions have now eased, we are now able to fully open our Parish Hall. In view of this, we will now require more volunteers to help with hall keeping duties. If you can help, please speak to Fr Rafal or our hall keeper, Daniel Martin.