

**Club 200:** This week's £60 winner is Anne Donald. Please collect your cheque from Fr Rafal on his return. The current loan stands at £289,449.34.

**Collection:** 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. There is a basket for the Sunday collection at the entrance to the church. Thank you for any support and generosity during the pandemic. During the period between 17 and 31 May the collections/donations handed to church and Chapel House amounted £1,470.92 of which £1,238.70 was gift aided; between 31 May and 13 June – £951.11, of which £727.81 was gift aided; between 13 and 27 June – £938.51, of which £644.50 was gift aided; between 27 June and 12 July – £1,452.61, of which £930.00 was gift aided Thank you.

Sunday 25 July marks the Day of Prayer of Grandparents and the Elderly.

Below is a link to Pope Francis' Message for the First World Day for Grandparents and Elderly, to which Bishop Toal has added his own words.

<http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/nonni/documents/20210531-messaggio-nonni-anziani.html>

I offer all grandparents and great-grandparents good wishes and supportive prayers as we mark today the First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. It is so appropriate that we are keeping this day close to the Feast of Sts Joachim and Anne, the parents of Mary and grandparents of Jesus, as it helps us all to appreciate and value the succeeding generations in our families and the bonds of love and affection which unite us. Let us give thanks for the great example and wisdom we receive from the older generations and continue to appreciate all that the elderly offer within families and in the community, not least in the Church, where you play such a vital role. Your lives of faith and dedication to the Lord hopefully will encourage the younger members of our families to follow in your footsteps. Thank you also for the support of your prayers for the family of the Church, and the wider family of all humanity, as we reach out to God in our present difficulties. May the Lord, his Blessed Mother, and his beloved grandparents, Joachim and Anne, be with you always and watch over and bring comfort to you and your families. **Joseph Toal**

**Month's Mind:** Thomas Lochrin, Norah and Austin Toner, Antonio DiVito.

**Anniversary:** Mary and Hugh McCorry, Paul Joseph McCabe, Mary McKay, Alessandro Faccenda.

**Birthday Remembrance:** Patty McCorry, Lorenzo DiVito.

**Recently Dead:** Margaret Tully (Galloway); Kathleen Quail, John Campbell (Govanhill), Gino DiMascio.

*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 July 2021***  
***17<sup>th</sup> Sunday of 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:** Monday 26 July: *St Joachim and St Anne*; Thursday 29 July: *SS Martha, Mary & Lazarus*; Saturday 31 July: *St Ignatius of Loyola*.

**Mass Bookings** will be available for booking on Eventbrite from Wednesday 28 July at 12.00 noon. If anyone has any questions or queries, then please call 07999 551680.

**Track and Trace:** All Parishioners attending Mass should email their names, addresses and telephone numbers to the bulletin email address: [bulletin@sbek.org](mailto:bulletin@sbek.org). This is a requirement of the Scottish Government as laid out in the Guidelines.

As we went into Level 0 from on Monday 19 July, the following rules are in place:

- Social distancing has been reduced to 1 metre, therefore the number of Mass attendees will increase. The revised number will be announced in due course. ***Please note that Masses must still be booked in the same manner as before.***
- The increase in attendees will put more pressure on the stewards. Please make their job easier by following their seating instructions.
- To reduce congestion at the front door, ***we ask that Parishioners 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 in time for Mass starting.
- Face masks must still be worn, unless medically exempt.
- Public singing is allowed, but face masks must be worn.
- Sanitisation is still of the upmost importance, therefore please continue to use the sanitiser when entering and leaving the Church.
- The distribution of Holy Communion is as follows: Stewards will usher the parishioners sitting in the pews in the Side Chapel first. Ushers will then approach the central aisle and commence with the right hand pews facing the Altar, and then continue with the parishioners on the left hand side of the Altar. ***For the avoidance of doubt, parishioners will approach the Altar using the central aisle, and return to their seats by the side aisles.*** After receiving Holy Communion parishioners are to make their way back to their seats.

With the return of Fr Rafal, Holy Mass will be said every morning at 10.00 am.

**All Bulletin Notices** should be sent to [bulletin@sbek.org](mailto:bulletin@sbek.org)

**Website Update:** We are considering upgrading our website and would welcome input from anyone in the Parish who has any suitable skills or experience. If you are one of these people, then ***please contact Fr Rafal or Deacon Michael.***

**Evelyn Lochrin and all the family** wish to thank everyone for their expressions of love, support, prayers and Masses on the loss of Tom. Holy Mass will be offered for the intentions of all.

**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.

**Liturgical Guidelines Update for the Wearing of Face Masks:** At Baptisms, only the parents of the child are exempt from wearing a face mask, and only the bride and groom at weddings are exempt from wearing a face mask. All altar servers must wear a face mask.

Anyone wishing to contact Fr Rafal should call the Chapel House on (01355) 220005. If there is no reply please call 07999 551680, where a message will be taken and immediately passed on.

#### **Prayer to 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.*

**Ecumenical Call to Pray** for the 72<sup>nd</sup> 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 25 July 2021. <https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2021/articles/sunday-prayers-continue-across-the-church-of-scotland>