

Club 200: This week's £60 winner is **Rolando Fusi**. Please collect your cheque from Fr Rafal. The current loan stands at £249,452.82.

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 are baskets for the Sunday collection near the exit door. During the period between 3 and 17 April all the collections and donations amounted £1,848.03, of which £545.40 was gift aided. The special collection for Holy Places on Good Friday raised £517.10. Thank you.

SSVP: Donations can be made to St Bride's SSVP by bank transfer. Details: Bank: Clydesdale Bank; Account Name: SSVP MW 05015; Account Number: 20538417; Sort Code: 82 62 24.

Baptismal Congratulations to Patrick & Denise Foley whose son Lucian James will be baptised in our church this Sunday at 1pm.

Poland 2020: During our next meeting on Sunday 24 April at 2pm in the Parish Hall we will make appropriate decisions as to whether we want to cancel or rearrange our trip to Poland.

Get Walking Lanarkshire. East Kilbride Walks. Free and friendly walks every week, just an hour. Thursdays 10.30am, Calderglen Country Park, outside the Zoo entrance G75 0QZ. Sundays 11am (2nd and 4th Sunday of the month) James Hamilton Heritage park, outside the boat yard, G74 5LB. More info: 07903358424/www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/getwalking

Please pray for our sick and housebound and for those who care for them:
The Diocesan Office has advised parishes that with the introduction of new Data Protection laws on 25 May 2018 it is no longer permissible to publish the names of the sick on the online version of parish bulletins. It is still permissible to do so on the print version.

Birthday Remembrance: Gerard O'Neill (24 April), Patricia Burns (25 April).

Anniversaries: Gerry McCorry, Cassie McGee, Elizabeth McNeill, Frances McNeill, Josh Hall, Denis Maguire, Tom Coll Snr, Patricia McCaffery, Kathleen & Ronald Gilmurray, Helen & Peter Orsie, Neil McTaggart, Denis Maguire, John Connor.

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

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24 April 2022

Divine Mercy Sunday Second 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.

Thursday

Stations of the Cross at 7.00 pm
followed by the Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament at 7.30pm

Feast Days: Monday 25 April: *St Mark*; Friday 29 April: *St Catherine of Sienna*.

The Ecumenical Call to Prayer can be seen on our Parish Facebook and Twitter pages.

Ukraine Appeal: Our third lorry of humanitarian aid for Ukrainian war refugees was loaded on Holy Wednesday night. Thank you to our team of about 15 people which did the job very well. The third lorry was unloaded in Caritas Siedlce on Easter Thursday 21 April. A big 'thank you' goes to Jim McLusky of Enviro-Clean who covered the cost of sending the third lorry.

We continue accepting donations of goods for the Ukrainian war refugees. These can be brought to St Bride's Pastoral Centre/Hall each Friday between 11.00 am and 5.00 pm. We kindly ask you not to bring any more clothes. Donations of food, toiletries, medical supplies, blankets, sleeping bags, and items for women and children are very welcome. If you wish to help with sorting and packing the donations, please contact us on 07932 039810.

Fr Rafal thanks you all for any contribution towards this appeal. As of 9 April 2.5 million Ukrainian war refugees crossed the Polish border. At the moment 135K Ukrainian children who fled to Poland signed up for education in primary schools in Poland; some 60K signed for the secondary level education in Poland and around half a million of children staying in Poland continue their Ukrainian education via online platforms. Please remember the people of Ukraine in your prayers, so that we can see the end of this war, please God.

200 Club: Renewals for those who are in the 200 Club are due now. Those paying their subscriptions each 6 months by cash or cheque, the £30 subscription fell due at the end of March. Apologies for the late notification. Subscription can be placed in an envelope and posted through the Chapel House door or in the Sacristy. Please mark your name on the envelope. If paying in cash, please do not send the cash through the post.

Parish Synodal Meetings: Thank you to the parishioners who have attended the Parish Synodal Meetings. Your responses and feedback have been enlightening, and collated into summary form, and are now on the Synodal Board in the side Chapel for everyone to read. The reflections are forwarded to the co-ordinator, Fr Magill, to be added to the diocese Feedback, which will eventually go to Pope Francis in Rome in 2023. The four week responses are also available for the Parish on the Synodal Notice Board, and a suggestion would be to take a photo shot of the sheets on your camera phone, so you can read them at home at your leisure. Thanks also to Annemarie and Danny for their support in preparing the Parish Hall for our meetings to take place.

The **Thursday Coffee Morning** will resume this Thursday 28 April.

St Andrew's and St Bride's Quiz Night: St Andrew's and St Bride's will be hosting a quiz night on Friday 13th May at 7.30pm in St Bride's Church Hall. This is to raise funds for the sports clubs within the school. Teams of up to 6 people - £5 per head (Payable on the night). There will also be a raffle on the night. To enter a team, please contact Mr Nelson on 01355 574110 or gw07nelsonbrian@glow.sch.uk

Assisting Ukrainian Refugees: Last week several groups within East Kilbride came together and formed a united group to assist anyone fleeing from the Ukraine. Their intentions are to bring groups over by bus to East Kilbride. They are looking to create a database of anyone who would like to offer space within their home. At present, it is only an interest that they are expressing. If you feel that you could help, then please email your name, address, rooms available, number of people you would be able to accommodate, eg adult/child, 1adult/2 children, and your contact telephone number to sharealike.info@gmail.com. A contact number will be available soon.

Glasgow Kiltwalk: On 24 April Margaret Mary Cowan and her sisters Clare and Frances are walking for Kilbryde Hospice. As ever, they are looking for sponsorship and every £ raised will be topped up by 50% by The Hunter Foundation. Anyone wishing to sponsor Margaret Mary and her sisters can do so by going to www.justgiving.com/glasgowkiltwalk2022-MMC

This Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be said at 3pm followed by Holy Mass. The Holy Image will be venerated.

This year the Ignatian Online Lent Retreat celebrates the 500 years since the conversion of St Ignatius Loyola, and is based on his life. Participants can join an online group for a weekly meeting with others to share the fruits of their prayer. The link to the website is given here <https://iscglasgow.co.uk/lent22.html>

Fr Rafal extends his thanks to our organist Carol, and the ladies of the choir, who sang during the Holy Triduum, and also to our organist Tom and his choir, who sing on Sundays. Thank you to our florists Dorothy and Helen, for the beautiful flowers, and also to the Childrens' Liturgy Team who organised the Passion for children on Good Friday. Thank you also to all who helped prepare the Holy Week and Easter celebrations. God bless!

Pope Francis' 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.