

**Club 200:** This week's £60 winner is **Dorothy Clifford**. Please collect your cheque from Fr Rafal. The current loan stands at £252,452.82.

**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 6 March and 26 March all the collections and donations amounted £2,146.92, of which £679.00 was gift aided. The special SCIAF collection for Ukraine on 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent raised £3,755.55. Thank you.

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

**Baptismal Congratulations to:**

1. Allison Laurie and John Devine whose daughter Ciara will be baptised in our church this Sunday at 12.30pm.
2. Lisa McGlave & John McStay whose daughter Rhiannon Andrea Mary will be baptised in our church this Sunday at 2pm.

**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.

**Anniversaries:** Jim McGee, John Reilly, Dess McCann, Robert & Jessie Morrison, James McCaffery, Mary McCaffery, Moira McNish (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary), Jim Graham (LOLO), John McFadden.

**Funeral Arrangements:**

- **RIP Mary (May) McCann:** Vigil followed by Rosary on Tuesday 5 April at 6.00 pm; Requiem Mass at 10.00 am on Wednesday 6 April, followed by service in South Lanarkshire Crematorium.
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- **RIP Patricia White** – The body reception on Sunday 17 April at 7.15pm; Holy Mass on Monday 18 April at 10.30am 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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**3 April 2022**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent - Year C**



**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

**Stations of the Cross:** Every Thursday at 7.00pm. At 7.30pm we will have the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

During Lent we have **morning Masses at 7am** on Tuesday, and Thursday.

There will be a **Eucharistic Service** this Tuesday at 10.00am in our church.

**East Kilbride Lenten Penitential Service** in St Bride's Church on Saturday 9 April:

10:30 am-11.15 am – Fr Rafal Sobieszuk and Fr Dominic Quinn

11.15 am – 12.00 noon – Fr Frank Dougan

12.00 noon – 12.45 pm – Fr Roman Enyinnia

12.45 pm-1.30 pm – Fr Rafal Sobieszuk

There will be **Lenten Penitential Service** led by Fr Rafal in our church on Holy Wednesday at 7.00pm.

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

**Lenten Talks:** This Friday 8 April we meet in our Parish Centre at 12pm for the last time this lent. All welcome.

**Day by Day Books** are now available at the back of the Church – cost £1.00.

**Ukraine Appeal:** We are happy to say that our second lorry left on Thursday 24 March and safely reached its destination in Caritas Siedlce on Tuesday 29 March. Pictures can be seen on the Parish Facebook and Twitter. Big 'thank you' goes to Colin Lawson from Aberdeen for providing us his lorry and driver Chris free of charge. We plan to continue the appeal as the war conflict does not seem to end soon. We plan to send our third lorry after Easter. We will resume accepting donations after Easter. 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. All updates are posted on our parish social medias. As of Wednesday 23 March there were 2.25 million Ukrainian war refugees in Poland, of which nearly two thousand were taken straight to hospitals. Of this two thousand, just over 1.000 were children. Part of our second lorry shipment was delivered by Caritas Siedlce to Lutsk on Wednesday 30 March. Those donated gifts were delivered to a hospital and to Kharkiv in Eastern Ukraine. Caritas Siedlce supports both Ukrainian war refugees who came to Poland, and people who stayed in Ukraine. Please remember the people of Ukraine in your prayers, especially those being starved to death in Marioupol, those being deported to Russia, and those who pass away.

**COVID Update Procedures:** With COVID number on the rise, and in accordance with the requests of a large number of Parishioners, please see below:

- We will continue sanitising pews and kneelers at the Vigil and Sunday Masses. This will help to alleviate Parishioners' concerns.

- The Sign of Peace: Shaking hands will be purely voluntary and a personal decision to be made by each Parishioner.
- The wearing of face masks will continue.
- We will continue with a 1 metre distancing policy.

**Gift Aid Envelopes** for 2022 - 23 are now available. If you use an envelope for your weekly gift-aided collection, please pick it up from the Sacristy. Any taxpayer who isn't already registered with St Bride's Gift Aid is invited to fill in a simple form which will allow the parish to claim an extra 25% on their donations, at no cost to the donor.

**Lenten Sciaf Boxes** can be collected from the back of the Church.

**St Bride's Ladies Phoenix Club** will hold their meeting this Monday, 4 April. The guest speaker will be Collette Stevenson, who will be taking questions after her talk. Tea/coffee - £2. All welcome.

**Children's Liturgy** - The final week of First Communion sacramental preparation took place on Sunday 27 March. Thanks to all the children who have attended. The next event from the Children's Liturgy group will be the Children's Passion which takes place in the Parish Hall on Good Friday at 3.00 pm, the same time as the church service. This is suitable for all Primary School age children. We will need 13 children to enact the Passion, chosen on the day. We have costumes to wear, so turn up a little early for a part. There will then be Veneration of the Cross and Communion and we will then look after the children in the Hall until the church service is complete. More details next week.

**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>

**Parish Synodal Meetings:** Thank you to the parishioners who have attended the Parish Synodal Meetings over the first two weeks. Their reflections 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 invite is open for anyone who would like to join us for our last meeting in the Parish Hall: Sunday 2.00 pm to 4.00 on 3 April. The reflections are forwarded to the co-ordinator, Fr Magill, to be added to the diocese Feedback, which via the Bishops' conference goes to Pope Francis in Rome.

**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 (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month) James Hamilton Heritage park, outside the boat yard, G74 5LB. More info: 07903358424/[www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/getwalking](http://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/getwalking)

**The Holy Week Service** card is available at the back of the church.