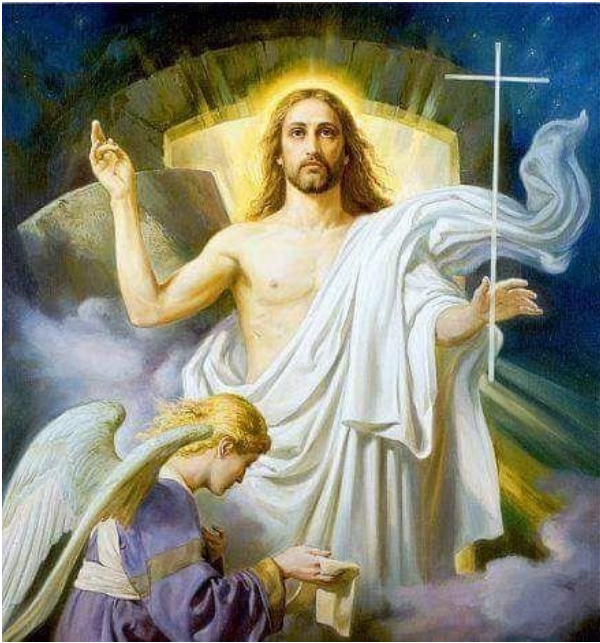




SAINT BRIDE'S PARISH, EAST KILBRIDE

Bulletin for Easter Sunday

31st March 2024



A MESSAGE OF THANKS FROM FATHER MCGACHEY

My sincere thanks to all those who made the Season of Lent so special by their attendance and prayerful participation in our seasonal liturgies, particularly the groups of people who regularly attended the weekday Holy Masses: the 7am Mass was very well-attended, as was the daily 10am Mass. Moreover, I want to pay tribute to the many hundreds who attend Holy Mass here faithfully each Sunday - last weekend, on Palm Sunday, we distributed seven hundred palms, and we still ran out! I offer my sincere appreciation thank for your

generous contributions to the spiritual and material welfare of our parish.

My thanks go also at this time to all who have helped to prepare for Holy Week and Easter with their time, energy and commitment: the church cleaners, our four regular organists, our two cantors, our choir, those who look after the altar linens and sacred vestments, the pass keepers, those who prepare our weekly worship leaflets and bulletin, readers and extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist, altar servers, flower arrangers, the Children's Liturgy group, and the many others who work in the background to ensure the smooth running of the Parish Hall.

A special thanks to those who have helped in sacristy this past week for all their hard work - their resourcefulness and patience, as well as the time they have given of so generously, is to their eternal credit!

I wish each and every one of our parishioners and visitors a happy and blessed Easter.

Father McGachey, Parish Priest

Christ is Risen: the world below lies desolate.

Christ is Risen: the spirits of evil are fallen.

Christ is Risen: the angels of God are rejoicing.

Christ is Risen: the tombs of the dead are empty.

Christ is Risen indeed from the dead, the first of the sleepers.

Glory and power are his forever and ever.

Lord Jesus Christ, by your radiant and magnificent resurrection, you broke the bonds of death and rose from the grave as a conqueror. You reconciled heaven and earth. Our life had no hope of eternal happiness before you redeemed us. Your resurrection has washed away our sins, restored our innocence, and brought us joy. How inestimable is the tenderness of your love! **Saint Hippolytus of Rome (+ c.254AD)**



BISHOP TOAL'S EASTER MESSAGE

I wish everyone a very Happy Easter and pray for the blessing of the Risen Lord upon us all and our world. We pray especially that the peace offered by Christ as he appeared to his disciples at Easter may reign everywhere, especially among the peoples of his own land. May new hope spring up, even among the debris of war and the awful reality of human suffering and death.

The Wellspring Project, which I recently initiated in our Diocese, seeks to encourage a new vision and a desire for growth and participation in the life and mission of the Church here in Motherwell. The Scriptures frequently use the image of water and the new growth it brings. The Easter Liturgies highlight water also, and invite us to renew our baptismal promises, revived in the new life in the Spirit poured out upon us in the Sacraments. The Wellspring Project invites our parishes to respond with fervour to our baptismal calling, and to continue to celebrate our faith and to form communities of faith, hope, and love in the great mission entrusted to us by the Lord Jesus. The joy and enthusiasm of Easter does offer an opportunity to welcome and promote participation in our Parish and Diocesan Life. Easter is the time for new beginnings and fresh hope, trusting in the Lord's abiding presence and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

This Easter I ask for your support, and especially your prayers, for the Wellspring Project, as we all strive to serve the Lord with thanksgiving in our hearts and fresh vigour in our actions.

With renewed Easter greetings,

Yours in Christ,

+ Joseph Toal

SOME SCHEDULE CHANGES THIS WEEK

Like many of the Church workers mentioned in the above vote of thanks, I am feeling tired after a busy Lent and Holy Week, so there will be no Mass here on Easter Monday, as I would like to spend some time with my family. On Tuesday and Wednesday, we have Requiem Masses for John Ingalls and Madge Reilly. Therefore, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will resume on Thursday at 9.15am, and the Rosary at 9.35am. Friday and Saturday at the same time. Holy Mass at 10am Tuesday to Saturday. The weekend schedule as usual: Holy Masses at 4.30pm (Vigil), 9.30am and 11.30am.

WE CONTINUE OUR NOVENA TO OUR LADY UNTIER OF KNOTS ON TUESDAY EVENING

with Rosary, Novena Prayers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 7pm in the Parish Church. If you could not manage last week, there are copies of the sixth week's prayers below the notice board at the back of the church. "In this unfailing novena Our Lady comes to untie the knots of our life." *Pope Francis*



GIFT AID

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We are almost at the end of the Financial Year, and those of you who use collection envelopes have just about finished your booklets. New envelopes will be delivered to your homes over the next week if they have not already been delivered.

Thank you to the ten parishioners who have completed Giftaid Forms and returned them. If you require envelopes, which some of you do - please speak to me. They are waiting for you in the sacristy. If you have taken away a form - please return it as soon as possible.

Giftaid costs you absolutely nothing - the only qualification is that you pay Income Tax.

This is a very important source of income for the parish, since for every pound you contribute to the collection, we can claim 25p from the Government. Money for nothing!

It is not too late to sign-up: forms are available on the large table beyond Saint Anthony's statue today, if you would like to sign-up. Thank you for your support.

FOOD BANK UPDATE

The donations to the food bank last week were overwhelming, with *Loaves and Fishes* having to send two vans rather than the customary one. The 1,250 items included: food, nappies, toiletries, £870 in cash, £590 in food vouchers, and last but not least, 302 Easter eggs. What a wonderful response from our Parishioners. The food bank team wishes everyone a very Happy Easter.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There will be no Children's Liturgy over the Easter school break. Children's Liturgy will return on Sunday 21st April.

REPAIRS TO THE CHURCH ROOF

I am promised that these will take place this week! There are three small leaks in the Chapel House roof after the recent storms - hopefully these will be repaired very soon too!

SCIAF LENTEN ALMS BOXES

Please return these as soon as possible.

NEXT SUNDAY IS DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY AT SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL, GREENHILLS

At 3pm, the Divine Mercy devotion and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, during which there will be an opportunity for Confession. At 4pm, Holy Mass. Refreshments in the Hall afterwards. All welcome.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Sunday 24th March - £2,805. This included the Basket Collection and Standing Orders in favour of the Parish. You may wish to make a one-off donation to the Parish or take out a Standing Order in favour of the Parish. Offerings can be made by Bank Transfer, the details of which are as follows: St Brides Parish 10246966 and 80-12-97. Sincere thanks for your generosity to our Parish.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

SICK - Clare (Storach) Keane, Drew and Monica McShane, Catherine Morris, Amanda Sherwood, Mary Easton, Pat McElroy, Jean O'Neil, Mary Connor (Canada), Margaret Rose McMahan, Richard O'Donnell, Owen O'Donnell, Jean Lafferty, Frank Kirk, Mary O'Brien, Margaret Murphy, Father Pierre Potie (France), Father Bill Tollan, Brian Ewing, Alan MacDonald, Jan Milligan.

RECENTLY DEAD - John Ingalls, Madge Reilly, Lilly Halleron, Betty Cunningham, Joe Mains, Karen Crooks, Alan MacDonald, Maurice Henston, Dorothy McDermott, Helen Foley, David (Sonny) McBride, Eileen Foley.

ANNIVERSARIES, MONTH'S MINDS, EASTER AND BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES - Anne Caird, Joan Hughes, Catherine Hughes, Ellen Moran, Frank Moran, Clive Dowie, Daphne Dowie, Robin Lyon, Harvie Family, Stephen Holloway, McCourt Family, Joseph Blake, RenaBlake, Gina Ridge, Cathie Blake, David Blake, Catherine Blake, Bridget McGrath, Frances McGrath, Terry Cassidy, Annemarie Logan, Frankie Logan, Margo McLuskie, James Logan, Maxine Brown, Anna Murphy, Rose McCabe, Pauline Cuthill, Peter and Edith Hilland, James Boyle, Rosemary Boyle, Eddie and Jo Boyle, John and Margaret McGowan, Ellie Maracic, Charles McGlynn, Peter Berry, Frances McGlynn, Sarah McGlynn, Alexandra McGovern, Patricia Berry, Patrick Hanratty, Morrison Hanratty, Georgina Berry, Lilian Callan, Mary Baker, John Boyle, James Boyle, Theresa Boyle, George Baker, Blanche Baker, Stan Morris, Len Baker, Jean Baker, Alice Dowling, Margaret Tollan, James Tollan, Doreen Warren, Alexander Warren, Sheila Torrance, Dorothy Henvey, Anthony Henvey, Joseph Henvey, Sazanne Sutherland, Patricia Malley, James and Annie Kennedy, John McFadden, Ralph, May and Noel Kurdell, Edward Henry, Elizabeth Henry, Tommy Cartwright, Bessie Ferguson, Joseph Ferguson, Rose Ferguson, Peter Feeley, Alice Marie and Charlie Mitchell, Hugh and Josephine Coll, John and Annie Wright, The Biggins Family, The Colvin Family, Loretta Boyd, Jeanette Boyd, Jeanette Pieper, Anne O'Sullivan, Gordon Cameron, James McVittie, Helen and Robert Hendry, John Kelly, Barbara Kelly, Josephine Kelly, Gerald Kelly, Catherine Hughes, Willie and Frances Maxwell, John, Ellen and Gerard Thompson, Jack and Chrissie McLaughlin, Desmond Dickson, Rolando Fusi, James McGee, Catherine and Michael McGee, James and Rose Dickson, Stella and Charlie Kelly, Eleanor Stirling, Martin Stirling, James and Kathleen Dunn, George and Margaret Paterson, Paul Dyet, John Crews, Catherine Crews, Catherine Slaven, Helen McCann, Father Kevin Rodgers, Purdie Family, John Love, Maisie Love, Tom Martin, Margaret Martin, Damian Martin, James McCabe, Mary Agnes McCabe, Paul McCabe, Mary McCabe, Kathleen McCabe, Patricia McGinlay, Robert McGinlay, Robert McGinlay jnr., Tony Rooney, Jack and Babs Kelly, Gerry Kelly, John and Margaret McAuley, Hugh and Teresa Doherty, Shuggy Docherty, Andrew Strain, Charlie and Nellie Strain, Con and Mary Campbell, John Campbell, Bernie and Cecilia Kelly, Pat McGinley, Strain, Campbell, Boyle Families, Owenie McFadden sen., Owenie McFadden jnr., Elizabeth Spicer, Helen and Peter Orsie, Frank Armstrong, Jim and Sandra Boyd, Billy and Archie McCrindle, Mr and Mrs Dowds, Pat and Phyllis McClusky, George Phimister, Queenie Phimister, Emily Mehigan, Cornelius Mehigan, Andrew O'Neil, Mary and Con Sweeney, Agnes and Andrew O'Neil, Maureen Hynes, Margaret and Nana Lindsay, George McLellan, Francis, Gabriel, Elizabeth and Patricia McNeill, Father Mychal Judge OFM, Margaret Veronica Evans, William Connell, May Connell, James Corr, Lorimer Family, McDermott Family, Donnachie Family, Brown Family, Elizabeth Stewart, Alan Paterson, Gerry Kennedy, Margaret Anne Kennedy, Hugh and Teresa McGeoch, Ian and Malcolm McGeoch, Ann, Bill and George Miller, Docherty Family, O'Kane Family, Gemma Maxwell, Anne McShane, Sister Sheila, Angie and Charlie Tonner, Myra Patterson, Margaret Kirk, Anne Lindley, Alex and Gordon Connelly, Lynn Tonner, Margie Jamieson, Willie Crawford, Dan Smith, Willie Crawford, Bobby Tate, Ann Spicer, Barry Spicer, Michael Spicer, Mario Tamburrini, Richard Tamburrini, Robert Tamburrini, Gail McFadyen, John Mitchell, Duncan Mitchell, Alan Hendy, Paul Dunnachie, Bridget and John Caullay, James Caullay, Peter Caullay, Annie Flannagan, James McGee, Michael McGee, Sarah McGee, Michael Sweeney, Frances Sweeney, Maureen Coyle, John O'Sullivan, Tim O'Sullivan, Betty O'Sullivan, Tim O'Sullivan, Catherine O'Sullivan, Pat Duffy, Norma Gray, Sister Genivieve, Bob Barbour, Betty Barbour, Catherine Carolyn, Harry Quinn, Mary Quinn, John Kirkwood, Mary Kirkwood, Michael Barbour and John McConnachie, Roderick MacSween, Maureen Cuning, Betty MacNeil.

FUNERALS

John Ingalls - Reception and Requiem Mass, Tuesday 2nd April, 10am.

Madge Reilly - Reception Tuesday 2nd April 6pm. Requiem Mass 3rd April, 10am.

Lilly Halleron - Reception Sunday 7th April 6pm, Requiem Mass Monday 8th April 10am.

Betty Cunningham - Details to be confirmed.