



# SAINT BRIDE'S PARISH, EAST KILBRIDE

Bulletin for the Sixth Sunday of Easter -  
5<sup>th</sup> May 2024

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## A NEW *LECTIONARY* FOR SCOTLAND

Over the past few months, I have been working along with a group of other priests in Scotland, at correcting the proofs for the new *Lectionary* which will be used in our parishes from the 1<sup>st</sup> December this year. The *Lectionary* is name of the book which contains the Scripture readings which the reader proclaims at Mass.



The new *Lectionary* is being introduced as part of a wider revision of Liturgical translations in the UK: the *Roman Missal* with its new texts and responses was introduced in 2011, and *The Rite of Confirmation* and *The Rite of Marriage* have also been revised and introduced.

The changes to the *Lectionary* have made use of up-to-date Biblical scholarship; the translations are more faithful to the original Biblical languages; and the dignity and accessibility of language, needed for a worthy proclamation of the Word of God, has been paramount, so that the texts will be more easily proclaimed.

After consultation with several English-speaking Conferences of Bishops, our Bishops, in conjunction with the Bishops of England and Wales, chose the *Catholic Edition* of the *English Standard Version* (ESV) of the Bible produced by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of India. In India, with this text, they have produced a new *Lectionary* which has been approved by the Holy See.

The Psalms play an important part of the *Lectionary*. Up until now we have been using the so-called *Grail* translation. This has been revised by the United States Conference of Bishops, reflecting developments in the understanding of the texts, while maintaining the poetry and rhythm of the Psalms themselves. This revision was finalised in 2021 and published by under the title of *Abbey Psalms and Canticles*. This revised translation will be incorporated into the new *Lectionary*.

Another significant change to the *Lectionary* will be its layout: the readings will be laid out in so-called 'sense lines', phrase by phrase, sentence by sentence - this is to help the reader make more sense of the text. As a result, the layout will require more space, and this means more pages. So, while the current *Lectionary*, has three volumes; the new *Lectionary* will have four volumes: Volume One: Sundays and Feasts of Our Lord. Volume Two: Advent, Christmas, Ordinary Time (weeks 1-9), Lent, Easter, and Proper of Saints (December - May), Volume Three: Ordinary Time (Weeks 10-34), Proper of Saints (June - November). Volume Four: Ritual Masses, Votive Masses and Masses for the Dead.

Another important change is that the *Lectionary* will have an up-to-date Proper of Saints - since 1981, many Saints days have been added to the Universal Calendar of the Church, as well as feasts that belong to the National Calendars of each country.

The new *Lectionary* will be published by The Catholic Truth Society (CTS) in London, and will be used in England and Wales too. The projected cost for the four volumes is approximately £700. CTS and other publishers will be producing people's Missals in due course including Sunday and Daily Missals. **Father McGachey**

## MAY DEVOTIONS IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY

On the Mondays of May this year at Saint Bride's (6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> May) at 7pm, there will be traditional May Devotions: a prayerful recitation of the Rosary, the Litany of Loreto with its beautiful titles of Our Lady, Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, and the traditional hymns in honour of Our Lady. Please make a special effort to attend and honour Mary, the Mother of God.



On Monday mornings during May, there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9.15am to 10am. The Rosary will not be recited.

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## THIS THURSDAY IS ASCENSION THURSDAY HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION

This Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> of May, is the Fortieth day after Easter, the Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord into heaven. **This is a Holyday of Obligation in Scotland** - a day when we are expected to celebrate the Feast by attending Holy Mass.

Masses will be celebrated at the following times: Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm, Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> at 10am and at 2pm in Saint Kenneth's Primary School.

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## THIS WEEK AT SAINT BRIDE'S

THE CHURCH IS OPEN DAILY, EXCEPT FRIDAYS - from 9am to 6pm

HOLY MASS - Sundays: Vigil 4.30pm, 9.30am with Children's Liturgy and 11.30am

CONFESSIONS - Saturday after 10am Mass; 4pm-4.20pm and after the Vigil Mass

MONDAY-FRIDAY - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9.15am

TUESDAY-SATURDAY - The Holy Rosary with the Litany of Loreto 9.35am

WEDNESDAY - The Litany of Saint Joseph at the conclusion of the Rosary

MONDAY-SATURDAY - Holy Mass 10am

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL - Tuesdays after Mass

PRO-LIFE ROSARY - Wednesdays after 10am Mass.

When there is Requiem Mass, there will be no Exposition or Rosary

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## FIRST COMMUNIONS AT SAINT BRIDE'S

On Saturdays 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of May the First Communions for the children of Saint Kenneth's Primary School will take place at 10am Mass. The school will need access to the Church immediately after 10am Mass this coming week on Wednesday morning - we will not be able to host the Prolife Prayers on Wednesday or Saturday this week or next week. Apologies. If there are any pass keepers who would be prepared to offer their services on the one or both Saturdays, please let me know.

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## 200 CLUB

This week's winner is Susan Timmons. Please collect your cheque from the Sacristy.

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## PARISH FABRIC AND GARDEN

The window frames on piazza side of the Chapel house and sacristy will be repaired and painted early in June when the weather is hopefully more settled. The window frames of the Chapel House on Whitemoss Avenue are in a very poor state of repair at present and will be repaired and painted at the same time.

Thank you to the two parishioners who have agreed to take on the grass cutting responsibilities around the Church and Hall. To help them with this, we have bought a new petrol lawnmower. Additionally, to brighten the two entrances, we hope to position some ornamental pots with topiary shrubs. The garden area around the back door of the Chapel House is in need of attention: some bushes need to be pruned and others removed altogether to tidy the area. A new bench for Sister Sheila's Garden will have to be bought since the old one fell to pieces a couple of months ago. Hopefully, all this will be done in the next few weeks.

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## CALENDAR

**Friday** is the feast of **Saint Damien of Molokai** (+1889). He was a missionary of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary who is revered by Hawaiians for having dedicated his life in service of the lepers of the island of Molokai. **Friday** is the memorial of **Saint John of Avila**. Known as the Apostle of Andalusia (Spain) and the spiritual advisor of Saint Teresa of Avila and Saint John of the Cross amongst others. After studying law at the University of Salamanca, he was ordained to the Priesthood and drew great crowds not only because of his fiery sermons but also because of his compassion and care. His writings have become classics of the Spanish language.

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## TENTH ANNIVERSARY MEMORIAL MASS

A Memorial Mass is being held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 10am to commemorate the tenth anniversary of Antonio (Tony) Di Vito who passed away on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2014.

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## ST BRIDE'S THIRD WORLD GROUP

The Studio 32 Concert was a great success and enjoyed by all. Many thanks to those who made very generous donations, which more than doubled the concert takings. £2,000 is being sent to Mary's Meals.

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## FOOD BANK UPDATE

We had a terrific response to the food bank appeal again this month. This time round we collected approximately 1,200 items, £780 in cash, and £495 worth of food vouchers. The next collection will be the weekend of 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> May. Thank you all from the Food Bank team, and also from those who benefit.

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## RETIRING COLLECTION - NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday is Papal World Communications Sunday. There will be a retiring collection.

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**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 McMahon, 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, Catherine McLean.

**RECENTLY DEAD** - Catherine Weir, Catherine Kelly, Mary Friar, Arthur McHugh (Sutton Colfield), Patrick Duffy, Robert Downie, James (Jimmy) Henry, Vincenzo Furini, Theresa Wilson.

**ANNIVERSARIES, MONTH'S MINDS AND BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES** - Andrew O'Neil, Maisie Love, Tony Marzella, Antonio and Lorenzo di Vito, Margaret Galloway, Helen Orsie, Betty Cunningham, Helen McGuckien, Neil McTaggart, Bridget Caullay, Andrew O'Hare.

**FUNERALS**

Mary Friar - Reception Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 6pm. Requiem Mass on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 10am.

Catherine Kelly - Requiem Mass Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 10am.

Catherine Weir - Reception Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May 6pm. Requiem Mass Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 10am.

**WEEKLY OFFERINGS - SINCERE THANKS**

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April - £2705. 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.

**CATHOLIC TEACHER APPROVAL**

Those wishing to teach in the Catholic sector are reminded that it is first necessary to obtain approval from your Parish Priest to show that you accept and live Catholic Faith. For those living in Saint Bride's, this means from Father McGachey. This applies to those about to enrol in the teacher training Course, those about to start as probationary teachers and all those applying for teaching posts (promoted or otherwise) within the Catholic Sector. If you have any questions, please speak to Father McGachey.