



SAINT BRIDE'S PARISH, EAST KILBRIDE

Bulletin for the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity -
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JESUS, MEEK AND HUMBLE OF HEART...

For centuries in the Church, June has been a time of devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Remarkably, from an anatomical point of view, the human heart beats on average over 2.6 billion times in the course of a person's life - it is arguably one of the most important organs in the human body. In the Bible, the heart is a powerful metaphor: the prophet Ezekiel, for instance, records God's promise to change Israel's heart of stone into a heart of flesh, while John's Gospel gives the heart its most profound Scriptural expression: Jesus' heart is the source of living water; it is a place of rest for the Beloved Disciple; it is the source of the Church's sacraments flowing from his body on the cross, and of doubting Thomas' faith.



Devotion to the Sacred Heart began to flourish in the Middle Ages through a renewed interest in Jesus' humanity and his Passion. Its golden age, though, was the 17th century, when Saint Francis de Sales, Saint John Eudes and Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque offered a tender spirituality that helped to renew the Church. From 1673 to 1675 at the Visitation convent of Paray-le-Monial, France, Saint Margaret Mary received a series of four revelations from Christ about his Heart.

During these revelations Christ explained to her the way in which he wanted people to honour his Heart: he asked for it to be revered through the symbol of a heart of flesh; he asked for acts of reparation for the offences committed against his Heart; for frequent Holy Communion, especially on the first Friday of each month, and that people should keep a Holy Hour in memory of the time he spent in the garden of Gethsemane

after the Last Supper. In the revelations St. Margaret Mary received, Jesus made twelve promises for those who honour his Heart:

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
2. I will establish peace in their families.
3. I will console them in all their troubles.
4. They shall find in my Heart an assured refuge during life and especially at the hour of their death.
5. I will pour abundant blessings on all their undertakings.
6. Sinners shall find in my Heart the source of an infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Tepid souls shall become fervent.
8. Fervent souls shall speedily rise to great perfection.
9. I will bless the homes where an image of my Heart shall be exposed and honoured.
10. I will give to priests the power of touching the most hardened hearts.

11. Those who propagate this devotion shall have their names written in my Heart, never to be effaced.
 12. The all-powerful love of my Heart will grant to all those who shall receive Communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months the grace of final repentance; they shall not die under my displeasure, nor without receiving their Sacraments; my heart shall be their assured refuge at that last hour.
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TODAY IS SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity: the day when we honour the Father, Son and Holy Spirit - three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendour, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in everlasting glory. Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.

NEXT SUNDAY - RETIRING COLLECTION

Next Sunday, there will be a retiring collection for the Day for Life - to help with the very important work the Church does to promote the dignity and sanctity of human life. This is one of the very important collections in the year. Please be generous, as you always are.

CALENDAR

On **Thursday** we celebrate the memorial of **Saint Romuald** (+1027) was born in Ravenna, Italy. He founded the Camaldolese monks - the Italian branch of the Benedictine Order, which combines hermitical life and communal life. He died in 1027, after a life of prayer and rigorous penance. **Saturday** is the memorial of **Saint Aloysius Gonzaga** (+1591). He joined the Jesuit Order at a young age. He died at the age of twenty-three during a major outbreak of the Plague in Rome, as he nursed the sick and dying. Next **Sunday** is the **Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ** (Corpus Christi).

ORDINATIONS FOR MOTHERWELL DIOCESE THIS SUMMER

Deacon Christopher Furmage will be ordained to the Priesthood in Saint Augustine's Parish, Coatbridge, on the 3rd July, Feast of Saint Thomas the Apostle, at 6.30pm. All are welcome to attend.

Deacon Christopher Igwe, at present in Saint Anthony's, Rutherglen, will be ordained to the Priesthood in September in Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral, Motherwell.

Deacon Kieran Burt, ordained a transitory Deacon in Rome in May, will spend his Diaconate year in the Diocese in the Parishes of St Barbara's, Muirhead and St Joseph's, Stepps.

DIOCESAN CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION - SUNDAY 22ND JUNE

All are invited to join the Diocesan Corpus Christi Procession, which will begin at Saint Teresa's, Newarthill at 3pm, and arrive at Carfin Grotto. A special invitation is extended to the children who have received their First Communion in recent weeks to take part.

FROM FATHER McGACHEY...

I have been looking after Saint Teresa's Parish, Newhartill, to let Father Kieran Hamilton have a short break, since Wednesday last week, and will be there until this Wednesday. I will be in Saint Bride's for the Novena to Our Lady Untier of Knots on Monday night and will back at Mass here on Thursday. Next Sunday I go on holiday after the 9.30am Mass until the 1st July. My mother has to undergo surgery on 3rd July, so I will be in Muirhead to assist her in her recovery until the 13th July. I return that day to Saint Bride's to let Father Martin travel on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes until the 21st July. After Father Martin's return, I will be away until the 31st July.

FABRIC, FINANCE AND GENERAL MATTERS

The potholes in the carpark behind the Hall were filled-in and resurfaced last week. We received donations from several parishioners to help with the cost of this work. Sincere thanks for this - it is much appreciated and a great help! We really need a complete resurfacing of the carpark - I have asked for an estimate for this work. Again, we have been hit by a big electricity bill for March and April of approximately £1,600.

On a cheerier note, it was very gratifying on Monday night, at the Confirmations, to hear Bishop Toal's the Lay Master of Ceremonies, Andrew Mackie, complementing our very efficient and professional senior Altar Servers. Well done them!

Next weekend's Bulletin will be the last one until Father McGachey returns at the end of July.

200 CLUB

This week's winner is Norman Sawers. Please collect your cheque from the Sacristy.

FOOD BANK UPDATE

As the Foodbank has moved to the Community Hall in Greenhills, for this month (June) we have been asked to collect cash and food vouchers. The next collection will take place on 28th and 29th June.

STALL

Available at the stall are selection of statues, including the Sleeping Saint Joseph and Our Lady, Untier of Knots. Also on sale are pictures of the Angelus, Our Lady Untier of Knots, and many more. We also have fridge Magnets, bookmarks, key rings, large and small candles, holy water fonts, and gifts. Please come along and have a look.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL WALKING GROUP

Trip to Liverpool 29th- 31st August. £245 sharing or £320 single room. The cost covers coach travel and half board. You do not need to be a walker, just come along for a social break. Places still available. Stay at Adelphi Hotel Liverpool city centre. For more details contact Kathy McCann 07928 051723.

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PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

SICK - Monica McShane, Mary Easton, Mary Connor (Canada), Margaret Rose McMahon, Richard O'Donnell, Owen O'Donnell, Jean Lafferty, Frank Kirk, Mary O'Brien, Margaret Murphy, Brian Ewing, Alan MacDonald, Jan Milligan, Catherine McLean, Nessie McFadyen, Noreen Lockhart, Margaret Hannigan, Steven Russell, Patricia Carey, Anne McDowell, Paul McCartney, Kevin McCann, Gayle Cochrean, Merisa Todd, James McLean, Elizabeth Kyle, Thomas Quinn, Chris McElroy, Danny McCash, Theresa Tierney, Gary James.

RECENTLY DEAD - Clare McCourt, Mary McGrath, Anne Connolly, Alan Barbour, Evelyn Knight, Grave McGarva, Paula Stewart, James Winship, Norma McTavish.

ANNIVERSARIES, MONTHS MINDS AND BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES - Patricia Lorimer, Bernard Phimister, John Maule, Rose McCallion, James Stewart, Aidan Martin, Ronaldo Dominguez del Fuego, Paloma Mesa Moreno, Jonathan McMorris, Francis Collins, Emma McNicoll, Elio and Alberto Faccenda.

FUNERALS

Denis McGeown - Vigil and reception Tuesday 17th June, 6pm. Requiem Mass, Wednesday 18th June, 10am.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Sunday 8th June - £2,955. This and Standing Orders in favour of a one-off donation to the Parish or favour of the Parish. Offerings can details of which are as follows: St 12-97 or by scanning the you to a secure web page. If you your offering - the parish will the basis of the donation you give.



included the Basket Collection the Parish. You may wish to make take out a Standing Order in be made by Bank Transfer, the Brides Parish 10246966 and 80-adjacent QR code. It will take pay Income Tax, you can Giftaid receive a further 25 percent on