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Newsletter

Second Sunday of Lent

March 17th 2019

Church Services

Sunday Mass at St. Mary's:

Saturday Vigil, 5.30pm
10am, 11.30am

Sunday Mass at St. Paul's:

Saturday Vigil, 4pm
10.30am

Weekday Mass:

St. Mary's, Monday and Wednesday at 10am
St. Paul's, Tuesday and Friday at 10am

Rosary prayed each weekday after the Morning Mass.

Confession:

St. Mary's, Monday Morning after Mass and Saturday at 5 pm
St. Paul's, Tuesday Morning after Mass and on Saturday after Mass.

Monday 7pm: Novena at St. Mary's in honour of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's in the side chapel Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from after Mass until 2pm, and at St. Paul's on a Tuesday from after Mass until 2pm

This is a sacred space for those who would like to pray in silence before the Blessed Sacrament

A Message from St. Mary's and St. Paul's Traidcraft Group: a big thank you for all your support over the last 26 years; on our final coffee morning we sold over £1,000 worth of goods and the donation we received for coffee and tea amounted to £300 and we have donated this to the SCIAF Lenten appeal. The food and toiletries left over were donated to the Hamilton District Food Bank. St. Mary's Primary School also sold £270 worth of goods at their Fairtrade Fortnight tuck shop.

The success of the Traidcraft Coffee Mornings is thanks to the parishioners of St. Mary's and St. Paul's and your incredible support over many years; sincere thanks also to the parish for the use of the hall during this time.

We hope you will continue to buy Fairtrade goods as Fairtrade recognises the importance of equality, challenges the injustices that exist in conventional trade and makes a small but importance difference to other peoples' lives. *Thank you and may God bless you for your concern and support.*

St. Mary and St. Paul's Parish wish to thank the Traidcraft Group for so many lovely Sunday mornings of brewing tea and coffee and serving toast, biscuits and cakes; special thanks to Carol Clarke, Margaret McGowan, Margaret Tansey, Catherine Grant, Mary Cox, Julie Thomson, Aileen Lavery, Carolyn Donnelly, Peter Lavery; and we remember Dr. Brian Tansey who died recently and who was so supportive of the Traidcraft coffee mornings; and we thank the pupils from Holy Cross who have taken part in the Caritas Award for their help.

Please join us for the St. Patrick's Night, Dinner and Social Evening, on Friday 29th March in the Church Hall at 7pm, tickets cost £16; you will be most welcome for this enjoyable evening.

A very happy St. Patrick's Day to all our parishioners from Ireland!

Services this week:

St. Mary's Church:

Monday, Stations at 9.30am, Mass at 10am, Novena at 7pm; confessions at 6.20 – 6.50pm

Wednesday, Eucharistic service for St. Mary's Primary at 8.25am, Stations at 9.30am, Mass at 10am

St. Paul's Church

Please note that due to the Requiem at St. Mary's there will be no Mass at St. Paul's this Tuesday

Friday, Requiem Mass for Thomas McCrory at 10am;

The Diocesan Mission and Evangelisation Team has arranged three Lenten Encounters

during the coming weeks: A Lenten Day of Reflection (Conforti Centre, Coatbridge, 17th April 11am -3.30pm); a Lenten Saturday Day of Prayer (Conforti Centre, Coatbridge, 13th April, 11am – 3.30pm); four sessions of Contemplative Theology, Thursdays 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th March 7.15- 9pm, the Xavier Centre, Carfin; *all are very welcome to attend and please see the posters in the side porch for more details.*

The Beginning Experience is a ministry for those suffering from the loss of a loved one through separation, divorce or death. Could this help you? Or someone you know?

A weekend away for a lifetime of change; please contact Catherine Wallace on 0131 665 3383, email beginningexperiencescotland@hotmail.com; upcoming weekends, 22nd – 24th March, Kinnoull, Perth; 4th – 6th October, Conforti, Coatbridge.

Are you interested in Drama? The People's Passion – Be Part of It! Drama Kirk needs people for crowd scenes and to lead participation from the pews. People to help behind the scenes are also needed. There will be two rehearsals for those interested, Tuesday 12th March at 7pm in Hamilton Old Parish Church and Tuesday 19th March at 7pm in Dalziel St. Andrew's; further details at dramakirk@gmail.com

Credo, St. Mary's and St. Paul's Faith Sharing Group meets on Tuesday 19th March at 1 o'clock on the parish meeting room; new members are always welcome; the meeting lasts until 2.30pm and is followed by some tea, cakes and conversation!

St. Mary's and St. Paul's Walking Group meets on a Tuesday morning at 11 am at the Museum at the bottom of Muir Street and then walks for 1 hour in the park and returns to the Museum café for some tea and coffee and conversation. *You will be made very welcome if you wish to come along.*

Justice and Peace Scotland, "Striving for Social Justice, 1079 – 2019"; to celebrate our 40th anniversary we invite you to join us at Carfin Grotto on Monday 1st April at 1pm; Bishop Nolan will celebrate Mass followed by a tree planting ceremony. *All welcome.*

Please pray for those who have died recently: William Tulips (**Requiem at St. Mary's on Tuesday at 10am**), Thomas McCrory (**Requiem at St. Paul's on Friday at 10am**), Moira Cadman (**Requiem at St. Mary's on Saturday at 10am**), Francis Docherty, Bridie Ackroyd, Kay Clancy, Thomas

Brennan, John McGuire, Jean Devine, Thomas McGuinness, Linda Watters, Mary Duff, William Bonar, James Dempsey, Jean Montague, Joe Fitzpatrick, Jan Hay, Brian Whelan, Anne Wright

Special Remembrance: Baby Jaime Donnelly, Anna Donnelly, Betty Brannigan Ward, Robert Bogan, Robert Daley, Elizabeth Gallacher, John McFall, Alice and Edward McAviney, Rob and Helen Anderson, Angie Di Marco, Mary and David Donnelly, Gerry Hart, Marie Lewis, Thomas Brennan, Anna McAdam, Tom and Bridie Murphy, Bella and Owen Currie and all our deceased relatives and friends and the benefactors of St. Mary's and St. Paul's.