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Church Services

Sunday Mass at St. Mary's: Saturday Vigil, 5.30pm

10am, 11.30am

Sunday Mass at St. Paul's: Saturday Vigil, 4.pm

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

Thursday is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holy day of obligation:

The Assumption of Our Lady into Heaven honours the blessedness that was her destiny, the glorification of her immaculate soul and body that completely conformed her to the risen Christ. This is a celebration that offers to the Church and to all humanity an exemplar and a consoling message, teaching us the fulfilment of our highest hopes. Their own future glorification is happily in store for those whom Christ has made his brothers and sisters by taking on their flesh and blood.

Services at St. Mary's:

Vigil Mass on Wednesday at 7pm

Masses on Thursday at 10am and 1pm (St. Mary's Primary School will be with us at 1pm) Please note that there will be no Mass at 12.30pm.

Services at St. Paul's

Vigil Mass on Wednesday at 6pm

Mass on Thursday at 10am (St. Paul's Primary School will be with us at 10am)

Our schools re-open on Thursday and so we wish every grace and blessing on all at St. Mary's and St. Paul's Primary Schools and all at Holy Cross High School.

May they have a very fruitful and happy school year.

After his resurrection from the dead, Jesus commanded his disciples, "Go, therefore, make disciples of all nations, baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you." (Matthew 28:19-20).

Those words were taken to heart by the men and women of the early church, and the teaching and initiation of converts into the Christian community, culminating in the Easter celebration of baptism, confirmation and eucharist, came to be one of the glories of the church.

In our age the church invites those men and women who feel drawn to membership of the church to participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, which takes place from early October until after the celebration of Easter. The course involves one evening in the week and offers instruction on the four areas of catechesis, The Creed, the Sacraments, the Commandments and the Life of Prayer.

Do you know of anyone who has expressed interest in becoming a member of the Catholic Church? Please speak with Fr. O'Brien to discuss this matter further.

Credo, St. Mary's and St. Paul's Faith Sharing Group resumes this Tuesday, August 13th, in the parish meeting room at 10'clock. The group meets to reflect and share on some aspect of the Catholic Faith and then enjoy some tea and cake together.

New members are always welcome, just come along!

St. Mary's and St. Paul's Walking Group meets on Tuesday mornings at 11am and walks for around one hour, starting from the Museum and returning there to have some tea and coffee. The walking group proves to be popular and new members are always welcome. *Just come along if you feel like it.*

Diocese of Motherwell, Mission and Evangelization Team offer a weekend of Scripture Reflection led by Fr. Nicholas King SJ on Saturday/Sunday 21st-22nd September at the Conforti Xavarian Centre in Coatbridge. All are welcome but pre-registration is necessary; please email missions@rcdom.org.uk; more details on poster in side porch.

Carfin Grotto:

Annual Grandparents' Pilgrimage Mass at 3pm on Sunday 19th August; celebrant Bishop Toal; followed by Rosary Procession and Benediction.

Visit of the relics of St. Therese of Lisieux to Carfin Grotto, 30th August – 1st September; a programme of events has been arranged at the Grotto and a Schedule can be uplifted at the back of the church. *You will be made very welcome should you choose to attend any of the events*.

Please pray for those who have died recently: Alexander Callander (Reception at St. Mary's on Friday at 6pm and Requiem on Saturday at 9am), Sister Margaret Forde (Daughter of Charity), Madge Finnegan. Chrissie McCafferty. Peter O'Donnell, Patrick McPartlin (Blantyre), Kathleen Boyle, Betty Leonard, Kevin Doran, Iolanda McGarrity, Brandan Rice, Sadie Quinn, Catriona McGuire, Nora McCarron, Hugh O'Donnell

Special Remembrance: Bertie and Maureen Dawson, Martin and John Seagrave, Betty and John Higgins, Annie and Ann Doherty, Grant Norris, Ida McKeown, Angelina Di Marco, Tommy Maxwell and all our deceased relatives and friends and benefactors of St. Mary's and St. Paul's.