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Newsletter

Thirty-Third Sunday of the Year

November 13th 2022

My dear parishioners,

This weekend we welcome Fr. Bonaventure and Fr. Gaffney, from the Spiritan Community in Carfin, who will celebrate the Liturgy with you and for you. I am spending some quiet days at St. Mary's Monastery, Kinnoull, Perth, and will remember you and your families in my prayers; as I have said to you before, a parish priest is never less alone than when alone, for such quiet moments offer an opportunity to pray for those entrusted to his pastoral care.

I mentioned last week that two volunteers from Mary's Meals will visit us on the weekend of November 19/20 to give an update on the work of the charity. It will be good to hear what progress they are making in their pledge to serve daily meals to some of the poorest children in the world. As a parish community we have made a commitment to be in solidarity with those who are most challenged in our world, and this is an opportunity to honour that promise by giving a little gift in the second collection. In these financially challenging times please give to Mary's Meals what you usually donate to the parish.

This Sunday is Remembrance Sunday and so we pray for all who have lost their lives through warfare, and we pray for the gift of peace in our troubled world. Our special Mass for all who died in 2022 will take place at St. Mary's on Tuesday 29th November at 6.30pm and afterwards we will come together in the hall for some light refreshments. Please put this date in your diary!
Father O'Brien

I offer here the times of the liturgy in the days ahead:

Saturday November 12th

Vigil at St. Paul's at 4pm

Vigil at St. Mary's at 5.30pm

Sunday November 13th

Mass at St. Paul's at 9.15am

Mass at St. Mary's at 10.30am

Monday November 14th: Mass at St. Mary's at 10am
Please note there will be no Novena or Confessions in the evening

Tuesday: November 15th *Requiem for Mary Owens in St. Joseph's Blantyre at 10am*
Please note there will be no Mass at St. Paul's at 10am

Wednesday November 16th: Requiem at St. Mary's for Jim Bryson at 10am
Reception of Jim's body on Tuesday at 5.15pm

Thursday November 17th: Requiem at St. Mary's for Kathleen Zambonini at 10am
Reception of Kathleen's body on Wednesday at 6.15pm

Friday November 18th: *Requiem Mass for Archbishop Mario Conti will take place in Glasgow Cathedral at 12 noon.*

Christmas Cards and Gifts will be on display this weekend, 12/13 November, in the parish meeting room.

Parish Coffee Morning after the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 20th November:
the parish stall and Traidcraft are holding a joint coffee morning; Christmas cards, Nativity Sets, Advent Calendars etc will be on sale; Traidcraft will have a small selection of Fairtrade foods and crafts; please come around to the hall and enjoy meeting together over some light refreshments.

CREDO, the parish prayer group will gather in the meeting room this Tuesday, November 15th at 1pm and afterwards enjoy some tea together around 2.30pm.
New members are always welcome.

Please remember in your prayers:

Recently Deceased: Patrick Healey, Jim Bryson, Kathleen Zambonini, Mary Owens, Thomas Burke, John Scott, Maurice Glass, Philip Reavey, Jacqueline McVey, Eileen McKee, Lacey Brown (USA), Oonagh Haron (Omagh), Richard Ronnie, Father William O'Sullivan (retired priest of the Diocese)

Special Remembrance: Les Lovelock, Frank Lyons, Frank Cullen, Nellie McCulloch, George Terrett, John Malone, Esther McManus, Tommy Daly, Thomas Rooney, Betty Hutcheson, Isobel McGuigan, Pat McFadden, Maureen and Brian Buttigieg, John McGhie, Blane McGrath, Sadie Burns, John Boylan, Bertie and Maureen Dawson, and all our deceased relatives and friends and the benefactors of St. Mary's and St. Paul's, *requiescant in pace.*