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Newsletter

The Second Sunday of the Year

January 16th 2022

My dear parishioners,

I hope this finds you well. On this second Sunday of the liturgical year a passage from John's gospel is always read; this year, it concerns the much loved story of the wedding feast of Cana, this wonderful moment when Jesus, in response to Mary's request, comes to the aid of the young couple by turning water into wine, which saves them huge embarrassment. At a deeper level it is a sign demonstrating the power of Jesus' word to transform the human condition. We are to notice that he, the Word made flesh, does not actually do anything; his word is sufficient for it has real power. His mother Mary has implicit trust in the Word: she tells the servants: "do whatever he tells you." The invitation is clear: we too are to do whatever he tells us.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins on Tuesday 18th January; the Christian churches in Scotland have made a wonderful journey together over recent decades. Today we are indeed sincere friends and in this special week of prayer we pray that this friendship will deepen and grow.

St. Aloysius College in Glasgow is now accepting applications for admission in 2022 and will be holding the Primary 4 – S2 entrance assessment on Saturday 22nd January 2022 for pupils intending to join next August. Register at www.staloysius.org or contact the rector directly: MDBartlett@staloysius.org

I offer here the schedule for the liturgy:

Saturday, January 15th Mass at St. Paul's at 4pm Mass at St. Mary's at 5.30pm

Sunday, January 16th Mass at St. Paul's at 9.15am Mass at St. Mary's at 10.30am

Monday, January 17th Mass at St. Mary's at 10am Tuesday, January 18th Mass at St. Paul's at 10am Wednesday, January 19th Mass at St. Mary's at 10am Thursday, January 20th Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

Saturday, January 22nd Mass at St. Paul's at 4pm Mass at St. Mary's at 5.30pm

Sunday, January 23rd
Mass at St. Paul's at 9.15am

Mass at St. Mary's at 10.30am

Monday, January 24th (Requiem for Mrs Alice Kelly at 10am)

Please remember in your prayers:

All who are ill and have asked us to pray for them:

Recently Deceased: Alice Kelly, Martin Hannoway, James McGuire, James Clark, Betty Law, Mary McCrossan, Anne Conroy, Katie Jones Campbell, Alison Foley, Mary Malone, Rose Logan, Peter Connelly, George Love

Special Remembrance, Gerard O'Hanlon, Joseph O'Neil, Ann Hunter, Margaret Ann Duthie, Frank Kelly, Michael and Elizabeth McSorley, Mary Daly, John Harkins, John and Elizabeth and James Fulton, Kevin Bryant, Joe and Ella Paterson, Catherine Devanney, Lynne Decanney, Daniel Devanney, and all our deceased relatives and friends and the benefactors of St. Mary's and St. Paul's, *requiescant in pace*.