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Newsletter

Twenty-Second Sunday of the Year

September 1st 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

This Sunday is World Day of Prayer for Creation: "The notion of the Common Good also extends to future generations. The global economic crises have made painfully obvious the detrimental effects of disregarding our common destiny, which cannot exclude those who come after us. We can no longer speak of sustainable development apart from intergenerational solidarity." Pope Francis, *Laudato Si*.

The Scottish Catholic Education Service's Annual Parents' Gathering will take place on Saturday 21st September 2019 at St. Francis Xavier's Primary School, Merchiston Avenue, Falkirk, 9.30am – 3pm. The theme of this year's gathering is, "*Caretakers of God's Creation: Laudato Si in School and at Home*" and the keynote speaker is Dr. Lorna Gold, a mother, academic, climate campaigner and author of the book, "*Climate Generation: Awaking to our Children's Future.*" Families are welcome at the gathering and there will be special workshops and activities for children on the day. Lunch will be provided; for more information and booking, 0141 556 4727.

The Venerable Margaret Sinclair, 2019 Annual Pilgrimage to pray for her Beatification, next Sunday, September 8th in St. Patrick's, Cowgate, Edinburgh EH1 1NA. *You would be made very welcome for this special day of prayer in the Archdiocese of St. Andrew's and Edinburgh.*

Programme for the Day: Opening 2pm, Presentation on Margaret Sinclair 3pm, Holy Mass 4.30pm, close 5.30pm; more information, margaretsinclair.scot

Credo, St. Mary's and St. Paul's Faith Sharing Group meets this Tuesday, September 3rd, in the parish meeting room at 1 o'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!

Next Sunday is the beginning of Vocations Awareness Week for the Church in Scotland and our annual collection for the Ecclesiastical Students' Fund will be taken at our second collection.

The Diocese of Motherwell has three seminarians preparing for the priesthood:

Christopher Frummage, working for the summer in Sacred Heart and St. Gerard's, Bellshill, Colum Martin who is at St. Columbkille's, Rutherglen, and Christopher Morris who is beginning a six-month pastoral placement at St. Leonard's, East Kilbride. Ronan McQuade and Kieran Birt, both from St. Joseph's Parish in Blantyre, have completed their preparatory formation at the Royal Scots College, Salamanca and will begin now their formal studies for the priesthood at the Scots College, Rome. Bishop Toal has ordained David Harper to the Permanent Diaconate on August 22nd and will ordain Alan Brown on September 14th. Stuart Dick and Kevin Kirby, both from St. Vincent's East Kilbride, will begin their formation for the Permanent Diaconate in September. Please remember these men in your prayers as they prepare to serve the church in ministry.

The Beginning Experience is holding a special weekend for those women and men who find themselves suffering bereavement through separation, divorce, or death. The loss of a loved one is one of life's most traumatic experiences. It can result in unbearable feelings of grief and loneliness. The Beginning Experience Scotland Team would like to help by offering "*a weekend away for a lifetime of change.*" This weekend will take place from 4th-6th October. For details, contact Catherine on 0131 665 3383. Completed applications must be returned by 21st September.

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.

Octave Glo and Sing, A Concert of Musical Delights, Glo Auditorium, Motherwell, Wednesday 11th – Saturday 14th September 2019, 7.30pm, tickets from Julie Thomson on 07901878706, proceeds to Glasgow City Mission.

Registration for Caritas 2019/2020 is now open and the necessary form is available through Holy Cross High School; to read how the Caritas has enriched the lives of some of our young people in High School please go to the SCES website.

Enrolment for the Pope Francis Faith Award will take place soon at St. Mary's Primary School and at St. Paul's Primary School.

Please pray for those who have died recently: Mary Harvey, (Requiem at St. Mary's on Wednesday at 10am) Stefaniya Johnston, Maureen Moir, Elizabeth Welsh, Terry Barrett (Wishaw), Donald McLean, Bill Russell James Weir (Larkhall), Jim Daly, Margaret Mirner, Joseph Kelly (Canada), Alexander Callander, Sister Margaret Forde, Madge Finnegan. William Boyd, Agnes Woodside

Special Remembrance: Jaime Donnelly, Eilidh McHugh, John, James and Elizabeth Fulton, John and Mary McCaig, Jim and Mary Neary, Tommy Daly, and all our deceased relatives and friends and benefactors of St. Mary's and St. Paul's.

