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Newsletter

Solemnity of Most Holy Trinity

May 30th 2021

My dear parishioners at St. Mary's and St. Paul's,

I hope this finds you well and enjoying Springtime, even if we are missing the usual sunshine of May. The following paragraph is a reflection from Pope Benedict:

“Today we contemplate the Most Holy Trinity as Jesus introduced us to it. He revealed to us that God is love, ‘not in the oneness of a single Person, but in the Trinity of one substance’ (Preface of Mass). He is the Creator and merciful Father, he is the only begotten Son, eternal Wisdom incarnate, who died and rose for us; he is the Holy Spirit who moves all things, cosmos and history, toward their final, full recapitulation. Three Persons who are one God because the Father is love, the Son is love, the Spirit is love. God is wholly and only love, the purest, infinite and eternal love. He does not live in splendid solitude but rather is an inexhaustible source of life that is ceaselessly given and communicated. To a certain extent we can perceive this by observing both the macro-universe: our earth, the planets, the stars, the galaxies; and the micro-universe: cells, atoms, elementary particles. The ‘name’ of the Blessed Trinity is, in a certain sense, imprinted upon all things because all that exists, down to the last particle, is in relation; in this way we catch a glimpse of God as relationship and ultimately, Creator Love.”

Pope Benedict

I offer here the schedule for the days ahead:

Saturday 29th May: Vigil Mass at St. Paul's at 4pm and at St. Mary's at 5.30pm

Sunday 30th May: Mass at St. Paul's at 9.15am and at St. Mary's at 10.30am

Monday 31st May: Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

Tuesday 1st June: **Requiem for Mrs. Margaret Cushley**

Wednesday 2nd June: Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

Thursday 3rd June: Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

Saturday 5th June: Vigil Mass at St. Paul's at 4pm and at St. Mary's at 5.30pm

Sunday 6th June: Mass at St. Paul's at 9.15am and at St. Mary's at 10.30am

Monday 7th June: Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

Tuesday 8th June: Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

Wednesday 9th June: Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

The Diocese of Motherwell has recommended that we have a booking system (**Eventbrite**) for places at the liturgy; this is for safety reasons and also to ensure that people are not disappointed if they arrive at church and discover they cannot gain access. For each service the parish must retain the details of all those attending so that contact tracing can be carried out if necessary.

Please consult the parish website, stmarysandstpaulshamilton.org to book a place through Eventbrite or phone the church house.

Sacramental Celebrations at St. Mary's and St. Paul's: please note the following dates for sacramental celebrations with pupils from St. Mary's Primary School:

St. Mary's Confirmations:

Monday 7th June at 6pm

Tuesday 8th June at 6pm

Wednesday, 9th June at 6pm

Monday 14th June at 6pm

Tuesday 15th June at 6pm

Wednesday 16th June at 6pm

A message to those young people who should have celebrated Confirmation last year: please know that we have not forgotten you! The hope is to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with you in the new school term and to make this a priority.

An Appeal from the SVDP: the Society of St. Vincent de Paul seeks to support those who are facing real challenges in daily life; the Society carries out these good works on behalf of the church and they do so quietly and discreetly. Of course they need our charitable help to do so. Would you consider placing a donation in one of the SVDP boxes at the back of the church over the next few weeks? A little donation from many goes a long way. *Thank you.*

Please remember in your prayers:

All who are sick in the parish and all who have asked us to pray for them.

Recently Deceased: Margaret Cushley, Kathleen Lethama, Ricardo Rodriguez, Patricia Rooney, Gigino D'Aponto, David McFederation, Thomas Falsey,

Special Remembrance: Mark Hughes, John Kane, Willie McCain, James Fulton, John Baker, Alice and Michael Sweeney, Margaret Boyd, Robert Daley, Tommy Maxwell, Tommy Daly, and all our deceased relatives and friends and the benefactors of St. Mary's and St. Paul's, *requiescant in pace.*