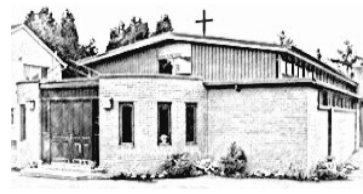




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**Newsletter**

**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**August 14th 2022**

***My dear parishioners,***

I hope this finds you and your families well and happy in the sunshine of August! This weekend we celebrate the beautiful Solemnity of the Assumption, a moment of wonderful grace for Mary, the Mother of the Lord, and a moment of great hope for us who are still on our pilgrim way to God's kingdom.

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

**Saturday August 13th**

Vigil at St. Paul's at 4pm

Vigil at St. Mary's at 5.30pm

**Sunday August 14th**

Mass at St. Paul's at 9.15am

Mass at St. Mary's at 10.30am

Monday August 15<sup>th</sup>, Requiem Mass for Gilberte Grant at St. Mary's at **11am**

*Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour at 7pm*

*Confessions from 6.15—6.45pm*

Tuesday August 16th, Mass at St. Paul's at 10am

Wednesday August 17th Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

Thursday August 18<sup>th</sup> Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

**Saturday August 20th**

Vigil at St. Paul's at 4pm

Vigil at St. Mary's at 5.30pm

**Sunday August 21st**

Mass at St. Paul's at 9.15am

Mass at St. Mary's at 10.30am

Monday August 22nd, Mass at St. Mary's at 10.am

*Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 7pm*

*Confessions from 6.15-6.45*

Tuesday August 23rd, Mass at St. Paul's at 10am

Wednesday August 24<sup>th</sup> Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

Thursday August 25<sup>th</sup> Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

*Congratulations to Father Gaffney who was ordained to the priesthood on the Solemnity of the Assumption 59 years ago!*

**Our three good schools**, Holy Cross High, St. Mary's Primary and St. Paul's Primary re-open their doors this week to staff and pupils to begin the new academic year 2022-2023; we wish them a happy and fruitful first term.

**Children's Liturgy at St. Mary's:** with the schools returning after the summer break it would be good to resume the children's liturgy at our 10.30am Mass on Sunday morning. We are hoping that some new volunteers to help will come forward; with enough people on the rota the task is made easier. Please speak with Fr. O'Brien or email Rona on [rhonnet@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:rhonnet@hotmail.co.uk)

**CREDO**, the parish prayer group will gather in the meeting room this Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 1pm and afterwards enjoy some tea together around 2.30pm. *New members are always welcome.*

**The Beginning Experience** is holding a weekend for those who find themselves suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or widowhood; the weekend will take place from 30<sup>th</sup> September-2<sup>nd</sup> October 2022 at the Conforti Centre, Coatbridge; for details contact: Catherine on 0131 665 3383 or email [beginningexperiencescotland@hotmail.com](mailto:beginningexperiencescotland@hotmail.com). Completed applications must be returned by 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022. *People from the parish who have taken part in this retreat have spoken highly of it and would recommend it to others.*

**Motherwell Diocese Marriage and Family Life Agency** has organized a Diocesan Family Day at Carfin Grotto on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2022. Please consult the Diocesan website, [www.rcdom.org.uk](http://www.rcdom.org.uk) for the schedule of events.

**We offer our condolences and prayers** to the Abbot and community at Nunraw Abbey, Haddington who have lost three members of their community in just over a week; the three monks who have died, Fr. Thomas, Fr. Raymond and Brother Philip were all very elderly and had been in the community for many decades. There are just a few monks now remaining at Nunraw, so let us remember them in our prayers.

**Please remember in your prayers:**

**Recently Deceased:** Gilberte Grant, James Higgins, John McCranor, James Gaffney, Teresa Matu Savage, Frank McLaughlin, Anne Grant, Brian Campbell, Pat Lyden, Anne Johnstone, Sean Gallagher

**Special Remembrance:** Kevin Bryant, Joe and Ella Paterson, Anna McAdam, May Kinnie, Angelina Di Marco, Ida Maxwell , Tommy Maxwell and all our deceased relatives and friends and the benefactors of St. Mary's and St. Paul's, *requiescant in pace.*