Sunday 6th March 2022
First Sunday of Lent

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert

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Sunday Masses
Vigil: 6 pm; Sunday 9.30 and 11 am.
Weekday Masses: 9.30 am

The Church welcomes and wishes all nations to gather to give thanks to God in celebrating the Eucharist as the Lord commanded us, but for those not able to be present physically Sunday Mass and weekday Masses are live streamed.

Go to the website for the link :
www.olsg.org.uk

The novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help:
Mondays at 7 pm.

Friday afternoon rosary: 1.30 pm

The church is open for private prayer 1.30 to 2.30 pm, and 6pm to 7 pm Monday to Friday, with individual Confessions being available Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday around 6.15 pm. Silence in the church is observed since loud talking disturbs those who have come along for private prayer.

Rite of Election We have one person who has been baptised in another Christian church being presented in St Andrew's Cathedral this Sunday afternoon as a candidate for full reception into the Catholic Church at Easter time. She has been coming to our Vigil Masses over the years prior to lockdown and is now ready to be received into the Church.

Lent

Stations of the Cross are to be held each Monday to Friday at 6.40 pm.

There is to be a retiring collection each of the Sundays of Lent for the Sick and Retired Priests Fund but on the 4th Sunday it is for SCIAF.

May they rest in peace We are asked to pray for those who have died recently: Elizabeth McGoldrick (Funeral Mass Tuesday 15th March at 9.30 am), Elizabeth Jordan, Gerry McAuley, John Neville (Deanfield Nursing Home); for those whose anniversaries occur about now: Mary Moore, Bill Spencer, John Crawford, Martha Armour, Martha Gillan, Therese O'Neill.

Pray for those who are ill: for the sick at home, in hospital, in nursing homes. Prayers are requested for: Sister Kay, Robert Carroll, Margaret Dillon, Michael Dillon, John Keown, Marjorie Mulrooney, Lesley-Anne Boyd, Mary Blair, G.Saville, Ann McDonald, Betty Paul. *(Permission from the person who is ill is required before insertion in the bulletin. Add the name to the list in the link corridor each week.*

Archbishop William Nolan. The new Archbishop was installed at a most joyful celebration last Saturday 26th February and we are pleased that we had two representatives from the parish present. We also have an insert in the Flourish for this month. Prayer cards to mark the installation have been sent to us and if you find favour with the stewards they will give you a card as you leave the church this weekend.

Flourish. This month's issue is now available for free and features the installation and **SCIAF's emergency appeal to help war victims in Ukraine**. SCIAF is part of Caritas International, and Caritas Ukraine, Caritas Poland, Caritas Moldova, and Caritas Romania are all involved in helping. Details of how to assist are given in the newspaper.

Brecbannoch Pilgrimage:
The inaugural Brecbannoch Pilgrimage will take place 11-13 June 2022. The Brecbannoch is a 50-mile pilgrimage undertaken on foot from Oban to Iona, with the special purpose of praying for the renewal of the faith in Scotland. Along the way, we will carry the relics of St Columba, St Andrew and St Margaret, invoking their protection over the Church in these isles. Sign up before places run out at: www.brecbannoch.org/sign-up

A MESSAGE FROM THE FOODBANK

We never fail to be amazed and humbled by the generosity shown by our donors, many of whom have their own financial concerns.

Please keep caring.

Keep helping when you can.

Keep hoping. Keep working for a better tomorrow.

Thank you

40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil: Queen Elizabeth University Hospital Hardgate Road Glasgow.Can you give one hour per week to come and pray for an end to abortion? If so email Ogilvie1615@outlook.com

Free Govan Health Walk, Every Thursday, 11.30am - Meet in Elder Park by the Isabella Elder Statue

Enrolment for Primary 3 This Sunday at the end of Mass we invite the parents and children of Primary 3 to come forward and express their commitment in the words of the baptismal promises. This will prepare some for baptism and the others for First Reconciliation on Tuesday 22nd March at 7 pm. We should keep them all in our prayers.

Lenten Synodal Meetings Come along to 5 weekly meetings beginning Friday 11th March at 7- 8 pm in the Hall. We will reflect on the Sunday Gospel, listen to one another in small groups.

'DIY' at-home abortion Baroness Sugg has tabled an amendment to the Health and Care Bill that would make 'DIY' at-home abortion permanent. Right To Life UK has launched an easy-to-use tool on its website that makes it easy to send an email to a randomly-assigned Peer asking them to oppose the amendment. Please visit www.righttolife.org.uk/DIYabortionthreat to contact your MP now.

Lentfest Online. Leaflets are available with info on events begining this week. Links to these and other free virtual events at www.agap.org.uk/lentfest

Liam McArthur MSP is planning on bringing a bill to legalise assisted suicide in Scotland later this year. MSPs need to hear from you why assisted suicide is dangerous and should never be legalised in Scotland. To help you contact your MSPs, SPUC has created an easy to use web tool. Please go to www.spuc.org.uk/assistedsuicidescotland

90th Birthday Greetings to Kathleen O'Neill one of our long standing and most faithful parishioners who came to the parish (Ranfurly Rd) at the end of the war all those years ago. She was surrounded by flowers, cards, best wishes and, of course, prayers as she marked the occasion.

Finances Thanks to all who contribute to the parish upkeep. £1200 was taken up last Sunday (26/27th February) at the Masses. Standing orders and other bank donations are also most gratefully received. Gift Aid envelopes for the parish renovation 31.

Thank to those who take up the collection these days, men and women and people of different nationalities to reflect the universality (catholicity) of the Church.

Pope Francis has asked that all baptised Catholics worldwide would be involved *and participate in helping the Church to be a place where people feel at home,* listen to the Holy Spirit in prayerful adoration, and experience closeness, healing of wounds, broken hearts and grow in Faith.
The Archdiocese of Glasgow wants to listen to lay people. What is our experience of Church? How do we think the Church could be a place where all are welcomed, valued and involved?
Cardinal Grech, who has oversight of the synodal process, explains what the purpose of the movement taking place In the Church in this month's issue of Flourish.
The Archdiocesan Youth: 5-night pilgrimage to Rome departing on Friday, 24th June. For those aged 18 – 30. Places are limited.
Check website: www.rcagyouth.co.uk or email youth@rcag.org.uk.