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*'Christ is
risen
alleluia!'*

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Fr Joe writes on the Easter Proclamation.

Grounded by the coronavirus our Easter proclamation is hidden from view, like a daffodil in clear space in the middle of a dark forest.

I am reminded of St Patrick defiantly lighting the Easter fire in a land of pagan rule, and in the years that followed the light of Christ shone brightly in that land.

The goodness of so many in response to the virus is already a light shining in the darkness.

The Easter proclamation lifts up our hearts and gives us hope that life will improve again, but more especially that death itself will be conquered and new life with Christ will be finally established.

And I am hoping it will not be too long before I am able to get a haircut before a pony tail becomes a necessity!

Here is a reflection sent on by one of our parishioners. It is written by a retired teacher and chaplain from Wisconsin.

*And the people stayed home,
And read books, and listened, and rested and
exercised,
And made art, and played games and learned new
ways of being,
And were still
And listened more deeply.
Some meditated, some prayed, some danced,
some met their shadows,
And the people began to think differently,
And the people healed.
And in the absence of people living in ignorant,
dangerous mindless and heartless ways,

The earth began to heal.*

Prayers Requested. We are asked to keep in mind all who are ill at this time, and family, relatives and friends unable to be present with them as a result of the coronavirus.

We remember all who have died, especially those who have died recently, including Isa Peden, Duncan O'Rourke, Patsy Pollock, Tracey Clark, and those whose anniversaries occur including, Thomas Maitland, Marie O'Neill (25 years)

The late Isa Peden (nee Fay)

Isa arrived in Penilee from Govan with her family, her parents and sisters Mary and Flora and brother James just after the war. After her schooling she worked with her sister, aunts and cousins in the Mill in Paisley. A family break to the Isle of Man lead to her meeting her future husband Bill Peden. They married here in 1956.in the old church. William was born in 1957 and Fay in 1961.

A brave decision was made in 1962 which saw them follow Isa's sister Flora to America, but six years later with the death of her eldest sister Mary she wanted to be closer to her mother and father and returned to Penilee.

Bill and Isa both worked locally and enjoyed weekends with friends, and dances in the church hall. After Bill passed away in 1995, Isa continued to keep in touch with his brother Tommy and spent the rest of her life looking after and helping out with the 5 grandchildren. Julie, Kerry, Jennifer, Steven, Derek, and then with her great grandchildren right into her 80s. Just before she passed away she told the family that they meant everything to her. On Tuesday 14th April a private Mass will be said for Isa, the cremation takes place at Craigton, and she will be laid to rest alongside her husband Bill. May they rest in peace

Finances Thanks to all who contribute to the parish upkeep, whether it is by putting it through the letter box of the presbytery while taking the permitted exercise, or by standing order. Others not able to leave home are setting aside their contributions until an opportune time presents itself. It is understood that many are not able to keep up contributions as in the past, and we hope that the situation improves in the not too distant future.

A plenary indulgence is granted For Sufferers Unable to receive the Sacrament of the Sick or Viaticum on the point of death.

*The Church prays for those who find themselves unable to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and of the Viaticum, entrusting each and every one to divine Mercy by virtue of the communion of saints and granting the faithful a **Plenary Indulgence** on the point of death, provided that they are duly disposed and have recited a few prayers during their lifetime (in this case the Church makes up for the three usual conditions required). For the attainment of this indulgence the use of the crucifix or the cross is recommended (cf. Enchiridion indulgentiarum, no.12).*

Dear Parish Family

You can now access a pre-recorded video on the parish web site of the Stations of the Cross, led by Fr Boyle for your use at any time. We also hope to provide information and excerpts from the Easter Vigil. This is not likely to be available until Sunday evening at the earliest.

SOUTHSIDE FOODBANK

If you can, please put an item in the Foodbank collection area when you shop in the supermarket. Any item of food or hygiene is gratefully received. Thank you

RCAG Youth

An Audience with...

We have just launched another online initiative, a Zoom series, called 'An Audience with...' This is a small group (up to 15 participants) session in which the guest speakers, who differ each time, share with the group about their journey of faith and their vocation or work. Afterwards, the 'audience' have the opportunity to ask questions. We are very excited for these events and the diverse guests that we have confirmed.

Next week we will have

'An Audience with Sr Mary Gianna, a Religious Sister' on Tuesday, 14th April @ 1200 and then 'An Audience with Dr Suzanne Bunniss, a Catholic Creative' on Thursday, 16th April @ 1500. Like all Zoom group sessions, these are open to those aged 16-35 and your young parishioners can register by dropping us a message via Instagram, Facebook Messenger or email.

Morning Prayer LIVE!

This takes place each weekday morning at 0845 for fifteen minutes and includes a Morning Offering, the reading of the Gospel of the day, a question to ponder and a decade of the Rosary. This is available for anyone to access on our Facebook page.

Lectio Divina ONLINE!

This will take place next Wednesday, 15th April @ 1500. All young parishioners aged 16-35 can get involved in this Zoom group. To register, simply contact us via Instagram, Facebook Messenger or email.

Where to find us?

We can be found by searching 'RCAG Youth' on Instagram, Facebook and on YouTube by following this link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwxLftBw5l5W-Khbxzs18CQ>

New Pilgrim Path

Website of the Week

Easter this year will be like no other, as half the planet continues to self-isolate.

"Spiritual Comfort for Troubled Times"

is a resource of inspirational videos and music provided by Emmaus Productions in order to offer some spiritual support at Eastertide during Covid19

Access this, and other rich online resources for this troubled time.

www.newpilgrimpath.ie

