Sunday 17th February 2019

24th Sunday of the Year



Church of Our Lady and St George

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Fr Joe is generally available after Mass and at other times by Arrangement

Mass Times: Saturday Vigil 6:00pm, Sunday: 9:30, 11:00am. Monday - Saturday 9:30am

Confession/Reconciliation: Most mornings before Mass from 9:10 until 9.25am and Saturday evenings from 5:30 until 6:00pm

How to join the Catholic Church: Adults who would like to join our Church community are most welcome to make this known
(After the initial enquiry preparations begin and the time it takes depends on Individual circumstances)

Sacrament of the Sick
for those seriously ill or who are going into hospital contact Fr Joe on: 882 4868

Marriage
by appointment with Parish Priest (6 mths notice req'd)

Baptism
by appointment with Parish Priest (forms in porch)

Funerals
please contact the Parish Priest In the event of a bereavement

Dates for your diary

Ash Wednesday 6th March

Easter Sunday 21st April

First Reconciliation: 14th March.

First Communion: 11th May.

First Communion Gaelic Children: 19th May;

Confirmations 16th May

For Sunday 17rd February

The second collection this week is for Assisted Parishes.

Sick Lists: Louisa Christie

The Saturday Vigil Mass now begins at 6 pm. (Confessions after Mass, if time runs out before Mass.)

Church Opening During the Day. During the week, Monday to Friday the church will be open until 3 pm. Access through the side door facing the hall.

First Reconciliation. Enrolment is to take place at 11 am Mass this Sunday 17th February.

First Communion for non-denominational schools: meeting in the small hall after 11 am Mass.

Trip to Iona ~ Saturday 8th June 2019 We have several places on hold for this trip to Iona to mark Fr Patrick Hennessy's Golden Jubilee.

Fr Joe writes. Talk about a hard border brings back childhood memories of our annual summer trip to Ireland. At the border the Lough Swilly bus would come to a halt and silence would descend among the passengers as we held our breath. The customs officer would come on board, scrutinise the passengers and sometimes order a search of someone's luggage. The bus driver would have to clamber onto the roof of the bus where the baggage was transported and haul down the cases until the correct one was found. There was never any big deal as far as I remember, but we all felt intimidated by the experience.

We first felt intimidated, getting off the boat at 6 am in Derry and being confronted with the RUC, guns in their holsters. The police in Glasgow seemed to us like angels in comparison even though they used to chase us for playing football in the streets.

The hard border though was a godsend for those would be smugglers, but the only thing I remember my mother smuggling was a few packets of tea. We never got caught! The mood lifted as soon as the customs' officer got off the bus and waved us on. People started talking again and laughing. We were in the land of the free. We would look out for men on Raleigh bicycles wearing caps to see if it was John McGeady our uncle, even though we were far from home.

We hope there will not be a hard border and hope too that Pope Francis is getting on well with his negotiations to ensure a frictionless border into the real Promised Land and the Land of the Free.

Finances. Thanks to all who contributed to the parish upkeep in our first collection which came to £1012 (including Gift Aid contributions). The second collection for the renovation work came to £603, and the brown envelopes for the renovation came to £93. Standing orders have to be added.

Please pray for:

Those who are sick at home or in hospital:

Ham McBrearty, Sammy Cox, D Fitzsimmons, Pat & Desi Dickson, Mary Gaffney, Margaret Rose Morrison, Margaret Leckie, Margaret Hooper, Helen Tierney, Frank Devlin, Anna Bell, Angela Wilson, Jack Foley, Jane Wright, Eddie Gethins Snr, John Reilly, Moira MacDonald, Margaret Miller, John O'Malley, Eliz Clark, Alice O'Hara, Robert Carroll, Robert Ferrier

For those whose have died recently:

Lily Hughes, Eamon Clinton (Donegal), Jason Holland, Bethany Simpson

For those whose Anniversaries occur around now:

Matthew Mitchell (41 years), Sadie MacDonald, Annie Donnelly (22 years), Jimmy McEavaney, James Gormlie, Hughie Barr (18 years), Margaret Armour (11 years)

400 CLUB WINNERS

1st—No. 132
Linda Gray (£50)

2nd—No. 349
McFadden (£25)

3rd No. 229
Brian Hastie (£15)

SOUTHSIDE FOODBANK

Please put any donations of food or hygiene at the back of the church in St Anthony's alcove

THANK YOU

Fete, Saturday June 1st 2019

The first meeting will take place on

Wed 27th February at 7pm

in the hall to start the preparations for this year's FETE.

Anyone who would like to be involved is most welcome to come along. We are hoping to see our regulars as well as some new members.

The Spiritans: The Spiritans (Holy Ghost Fathers) in St Columba of Iona Parish would like to invite you to celebrate with us the Feast of Our co-founder Venerable Francis Mary Paul Libermann CSSp and Blessed Daniel Brottier CSSp on Saturday the 23rd of February 2019 at St Columba's Church, 74 Hopehill Road, G20 7HH. The programme begins with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 3:30pm, followed by Rosary, Prayers and Talk, Benediction and the Vigil Mass of Sunday at 4.30pm. There will be the veneration of relics of Blessed Daniel Brottier after Mass.

Lent 2019 (Ash Wednesday 6th March)

Booklets with Mass readings and reflections, "My Day by Day", are available in the stall at only £1 a copy.

Lenten Retreat. Based on Jesuit Ignatian Spirituality. Rev Lyn Peeden will lead the meetings in the small conference hall on Thursdays at 7 pm starting on 28th February.

Stations of the Cross will take place each Monday to Friday of Lent at 6.30 pm starting on Thursday 7th March

Parish Celebration of Reconciliation will take place on Tuesday 9th April at 7 pm.

SCIAF materials, including small boxes, will be available next week.

GIFT AID

We are approaching the end of the tax year and again we are looking for NEW Gift Aiders. To be a Gift Aider you must be a Tax Payer. Gift Aid Declaration forms can be obtained from the link corridor or from the Parish Secretary. The signed GAD should then be returned to the Parish Office. You can pay by monthly Standing Order or by cash with a weekly set of envelopes. The Parish reclaims 25% of your collection from HMRC (tax man). Can you help?

St Aloysius' Garnethill: RCSM Scottish Voices, part of the worldwide Royal School of Church Music, is an adult choir which draws together some of the most accomplished and experienced church musicians across Scotland to sing services six times a year in a variety of cathedrals, abbeys and churches around Scotland. A sung vigil Mass will take place at St Aloysius' Church, 25 Rose Street, Garnethill, Glasgow G3 6RE, on Saturday 23rd February at 5.45pm.