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Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life

Sunday 23rd January 2022 - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

May they rest in peace . We are asked to pray for those who have died recently: Harry Sweeney (funeral Thursday 27th at 9.30 am), Len Parsons (Funeral Mass Tuesday 1st February at 9.30 am), Teresa Gallagher, John Atkinson:

Those whose anniversaries occur about now: Sheila McGoldrick, Kathlen Dougan, Mary McDaid, Babs Holloran, Eileen MacDonald, Dan Campbell, Mary Duffy (Snr) John Flaherty, James Woods, Vincent Kaney (5th), Jessie Queen, Jo Maule

Pray for those who are ill: for the sick at home, in hospital, in nursing homes. Prayers are requested for: Robert Carroll, Margaret Dillon, Michael Dillon, John Keown, Marjorie Mulrooney, Lesley-Anne Boyd, Mary Blair.

(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.

Confirmations. Keep in your prayers the young people who are coming forward for Confirmation this Thursday January 27th.

Finances Thanks to all who contribute to the parish upkeep. £1411 was taken up last Sunday (15/16h January) at the Masses, Standing orders and other bank donations are also most gratefully received. General parish donations came to £200 and Gift Aid envelopes for the parish renovation £44.
Thanks 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.
Next weekend we have a retiring collection for the Assisted Parishes.

St Vincent de Paul Society. *If you know of anyone who could do with a bit of assistance you drop a note into the box on exiting the church giving contact details if you have permission of the recipients, or telephone: 07947 194252*

This Sunday is Sunday of the Word God

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.

Synodal Church: The Preparatory report for the Synod is to be found at **www.synod.va**
Our next meeting is scheduled for 3rd Feb.

Baptism unites us with the victory of Jesus Christ over the power of death and joins us to the community of those who believe in Him sharing the Eucharist on the Lord's Day as he commanded us to do.

Baptism in our Catholic Church brings us to the work of proclaiming the Gospel and the love of Christ. We are to be salt of the earth, light of the world. Catholic marriages are to be solemnised with God's blessing. Receiving the Eucharist nourishes our lives with the love of God which is eternal life.

Fr Joe writes. Sometimes I wonder why the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends with the celebration of the feast of the Conversion of St Paul. Everyone, or nearly everyone, wants others to be converted to their way of thinking, but maybe we all need to think that we also need to be converted to other people's way of thinking or at least to understand their way of thinking. Many of the objections to the teaching of the Catholic Church put forward by the reformers of the 16th century have been accepted by the Church since then. One example is the importance that we attach to the scriptures, to the Word of God. It is appropriate then that this Sunday is designated Sunday of the Word of God.

These past two years with the pandemic we have missed out on our usual expressions of unity with the local churches. In previous years we had a visitor from another church for Unity Week, and one of our members would visit another church to do a reading from scripture. We have also missed out on the Good Friday Walk of Witness. Gerry Fergusson tells me that the G52 Churches Together is the oldest ecumenical group in the UK. He and his wife Rae (Church of Scotland) were founder members. Gerry looks back with fondness at those initial meetings, the involvement of Cardinal Winning, the Church of Scotland Moderator for Glasgow, our own parish priest Fr Bradley. He takes pride in the good relations that have existed between churches in our locality. Still we must continue to pray for Christian Unity as the Lord wishes it to be , and to proclaim His love to the world.

CHILDRENS LITURGY

will restart on Sunday 30th January at 11am Mass for all primary school children

JOB VACANCY. Pauline Books & Media, GLASGOW are recruiting: Closing Date 31st January 2022.• Sales Assistant• approx 24-30 hours • over 4/5 days including Saturday.• to request an application form email: marketing@pauline-uk.org

Reading the Bible with Fr Mike Schmitz. Search for "Ascension Press Bible in a Year".

Website of the Week: Mental Health Exercises In the northern hemisphere, this time of year can be dark in every sense. The Jesuits in Britain have devised seven mental health audio exercises designed to encourage, in God's presence, prayerful awareness of any feelings of unease or distress. These exercises lasting no more than eight minutes address addiction, aging, anxiety, depression, grief, insomnia and loneliness. Visit: **www.newpilgrimpath.ie**.

All 18-30 year olds are invited to an evening of discovery, fellowship and faith. Join RCAG Youth on Thursday, 3rd February, 1800 - 2030, in St. Peter's Church Hall, Partick for "The Originals" event. Pizza included. Followed by pub (optional). For more information, check out our website: www.rcagyouth.co.uk

Diocesan Priesthood:

For more information about our Discernment Evenings please contact Fr. Ross Campbell (Email: ross.campbell@rcag.org.uk

radioalba.org *Radio Alba majors on Morning, School, Evening and Night Prayer, and now has recorded Masses on Sunday, and Prayer from Glasgow Churches Together*

Supporting an asylum application. *You may remember a recent bulletin notice about Atinuke (Tia) Sanni and her family who fled from extreme violence in Nigeria. Although they have lived here in safety for several years, they are under threat of being sent back to that violence if they are not given the right to remain here. Their appeal will soon be heard by a tribunal who will want to know if they have the support of the local community. You can show your support by signing the petition which is available at the back of the Church as you leave Mass today. These petitions will be sent to Tia's solicitor to help in the appeal. Please consider signing and please continue to hold the family in your prayers. Thank you*

SOUTHSIDE FOODBANK: Foodbanks are a place where people are accepted, helped, cared for and given hope. Please support in any way you can. Thank you.