

## Intimations

*Of your Charity please pray for:*

**Sick:** If you would like someone prayed for each week, after checking with the person, please hand the name into the Chapel House: Sr Mary Bernard McCarroll MMM, Tom McLaren, Emma Biggins, Margaret Johnstone

*And for the happy repose of the souls of:*

**Recently Dead:** Gerald Jones (Westfield) [Wed 6.30pm, Thurs 10am), Patrick Livingstone (Croy), Isobel (*née* Leary) Boyle (Croy), Mary (*née* Weldon) Brady (Croy), Kathleen (*née* Doherty) McCarroll, Kathleen Friel (Fr Paul's Sister-in-law), Kathleen McKeown, Agnes Campbell, Denis Murphy, Patricia (Patsy) Ferrie, Michael Clinton, Harry Baxter, Jackie McKiernan, Mary Callaghan, Pat Currie, Joseph Gregory, Ian MacDonough (Stepps),

**2 Months Mind** Denis Hackett, Annie Murphy

**3 Months Mind** Cissie Robertson

**9 Months Mind** Bridget Christie

**Anniversary:** Frank McManus, Ann McIvor, Cathy Livingstone, Margaret Livingstone, James Livingstone, Isabella Brady, Hannah McTiernan, Catherine Reynolds, James Schombo, Cathy Moakes, Eddie Weldon, James Hester, Agnes Barnes, James ("Caddy") Adam (from Westfield), Catherine & William Bradley, Nora & Frank Flynn, Martin Leary (Snr), Hugh Gray, Bernard Cairns, Maggie, Tommy & Jim Murphy, James Burns, Charles Cox, James & Sarah Doherty, Annie Blair

*In Good Company:*

**Feast days** this week: Tuesday: *Saint Agnes* (Virgin & Martyr); Friday: *St Francis de Sales* (Bishop & Doctor); Saturday: *Conversion of St Paul*



*"I will pray the Father, and he will give you another Counselor,  
to be with you forever" (John 14: 16)*

# Holy Cross

19 January 2014

*Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*Year A: Isaiah 49: 3, 5-6; Ps 39; 1Cor 1: 1-3; Jn 1: 29-34*



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**Clergy:** Rev Fr Joseph Sullivan

### **Holy Mass**

Saturday Vigil: 6pm; Sunday: 9.30am & 11.40am

Monday to Saturday: 10am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession:** Sat. after 10am & 6pm Masses

**Holy Rosary** daily at 9.30am

**Novena** in honour of *Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal* on Tuesdays at the end of Holy Mass

**Day Visits** the Church building is open during the day.

**Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity** ends on Saturday.

**Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity** The full pamphlet may be found at [www.ctbi.org.uk/pdf\\_view.php?id=889](http://www.ctbi.org.uk/pdf_view.php?id=889)

Day 1 - *Together... we are called to be saints* (1Cor 1: 2) We reflect on how God calls us to be "a chosen race, a royal priesthood" and consider our attitudes, and behaviour & action as saints.

Day 2 - *Together... we give thanks for God's grace in one another* (1Cor 1: 4) We celebrate God's grace and the many ways in which it is manifest in our diverse Christian communities.

Day 3 - *Together... we are not lacking in any spiritual gifts* (1Cor 1: 7) We recognise we have been given abundant gifts and that together we have everything necessary to do God's work.

Day 4 - *Together... we affirm that God is faithful* (1Cor 1: 9a) God's faith and love for us calls and inspires us to strive for justice and unity.

Day 5 - *Together... we are called into fellowship* (1Cor 1: 9b) We consider our need for friendship and togetherness, with each other and with Christ.

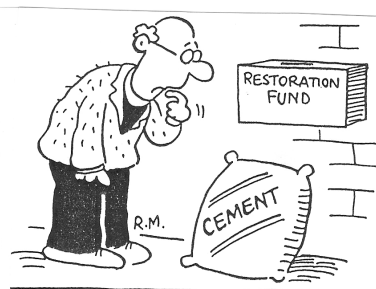
Day 6 - *Together... we seek to be in agreement* (1Cor 1: 10) We acknowledge that disagreements are painful and divisive but that, with God's guidance, we can reach out to each other in peace and unity.

Day 7 - *Together... we belong to Christ* (1Cor 1: 12-13) Recognising and rejoicing in the gifts of different church traditions is a step towards Christian unity.

Day 8 - *Together... we proclaim the gospel* (1Cor 1: 17) We have journeyed through the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity reflecting on and celebrating how we are bound together as Christians through God's abundant gifts to us. Our response to his outpouring of endless love is to unite in sharing the Good News.

**Crib Donations** Please hand in any Boxes to *St Margaret's Children & Family Care Society* asap.

**Bulletin** Please hand in items for the Bulletin to the Chapel House by Thursday evening



**Tarmac** Fr Paul had alerted Fr Joe about this urgent need. After being advised by W McLaughlin & James McCann (two expert Highway-experienced parishioners) the Services of Mr Ronnie Docherty (Kilsyth) were engaged. Fr Sullivan hopes to set up a more permanent Fabric Committee in the future.

**Parish Assembly** to plan for the future at 7.30pm on Monday 20 Jan in the Parish Hall.

With fewer priests in the near future, where and how best can they be deployed so that the Gospel can continue to be made known and the whole community served? How might your parish or deanery look? This is a good opportunity to consider how we "are" as a Christian community.

There is a *Questionnaire* to be filled out with this Bulletin. Please complete & hand in at Monday's *Assembly* or next Sunday. There is also a children's one available and spare copies in the porch area. The *Parish Pastoral Council* will attempt to implement any recommendations.



Pope Francis *"Every Christian is a missionary, and every Christian is also a disciple... The Christian community that persevered in Japan for generations, even after all priests had been killed or expelled. When, after two and a half centuries, 250 years later, the missionaries returned to Japan, thousands of Christians came out of hiding and the Church could flourish...They had survived through the grace of their Baptism!"*

**Parish Pastoral Council** meets at 7.30pm on Thursday 30 January, in the Chapel House. Any items for the Agenda please see one of the members or hand in to the Chapel House.

**A Date for your Diary** Mr William McCready is retiring after many happy years (5 as a Class Teacher & 23 as Head Teacher) at *Holy Cross Primary*. There will be a "Thanksgiving Mass" to mark the occasion, to which Parents, former pupils & teachers and all interested are invited to join Mr McCready. Holy Mass will take place at 7pm on *Tuesday 4 February 2014*. There will be light refreshment in the *Parish Hall* afterwards. The Pupils will be having their own opportunity to mark the occasion that week, during the school day.

**First Confession/ Reconciliation** meeting for P3 Parents/ Carers at 7pm on Monday 27 January in the Parish Hall.

**Tea & Toast on Tuesdays** after 10am Mass.

**Embrace** (to help premature babies in developing countries) the recent Ceilidh organized by the Allison Family, raised £3637.86. *Many Thanks* to those who supported it.

PARISH OF HOLY CROSS  
...anyone who looked at the Cross, lived...  
Parish Assembly on Monday 20 January 2014

The Archdiocese wishes us to ask the following Question: With fewer priests in the near future, where and how best can they be deployed so that the Gospel can continue to be made known and the whole community served? This Parish already has a strong sense of Lay people taking responsibility for Pastoral care, for example, some lead the Rosary at a Bereavement without fuss but with humble service. This can be built upon.

This Parish has had a good history of welcoming new people around with Croy as the centre. What can be done to maintain a good sense of hospitality if we are joined with other areas/ parishes?

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Holy Cross had a many initiatives for the recent Year of Faith. What initiatives should be repeated? Or new ones undertaken (mostly led by lay people with proper training).

- As regards Sacred Scripture -----
- As regards Evangelisation -----
- As regards Devotions -----
- As regards Outreach -----
- As regards Catholic Schools -----

Holy Mass is the “source and summit” of the life and mission of the parish. How can I make this more “obvious”? -----

What can the parish do to promote Vocations to the Priesthood?

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What can the parish do to promote Vocations to the Consecrated Religious Life? -----

Any other suggestions -----

What concretely are YOU going to do?  
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Questions for Children

Fr Paul was moved away to help people in Glasgow. It was good that someone else could come here. That was Fr Joe. Imagine Fr Joe wasn't there at Mass on Sunday, what should everyone do instead? -----

Some children go to the Children's Liturgy. You might be good at listening to the Bible. What is the best way to listen to the Bible? -----

Christmas is really good for most people. Some people don't put the *Baby Jesus* in the middle. Some people think Christmas is about only presents. What can we do to put Jesus in the middle? -----

We try to make friends at school. How do we make friends when we are “at Chapel”? -----

Is there anyone in trouble that no one is helping? -----

We need to pray for more people like Fr Paul and Fr Joe. Will you? -----

Write or draw anything else you can think of here

St Benedict tells us that sometimes “The Holy Spirit speaks through the youngest person”. Who is younger than you? -----

