

Intimations

Congratulations to Millie Leigh Rose and her Family on her recent Baptism. May she bring Christian hope to everyone she meets.

For better for worse Congratulations to Patrick and Sarah McCrae on their Ruby Wedding Anniversary. May they never take each other for granted.

Of your Charity please pray for:

Sick: Sr Mary Bernard McCarroll MMM, Tom McLaren, Emma Biggins, Danny & Betty Rooney, Elizabeth McGrory, Daniel Rooney, Tom McLaren

And for the happy repose of the souls of:

Recently Dead: Josephine Robinson, Bill McMillan, Anne Marie (Sims) McVey, Patricia (Pat) Hendry

Month's Mind Pat Livingstone, John McNeil, Gerry Jones

Anniversary: John Casey, Elizabeth Kavanagh, Robin Roberts, Pat Boyce (sen), Mary Boyce, Alice (Boyce) Burns, Caroline Doherty, Archie (Twin) McLaren, Sandra Weldon, Chris Coleman, Peter O'Donnell, Philip Friel, Pat & Mary Boyce, Peter McArthur, James Dickie (Snr), Peter & Frank Doherty, James (Chic) Kelly, Annie McGrellis, Suzannah & Charlie Schombo, Maggie Paterson, Joe Boylan, James McLaren, Margaret Boland, John Carrick, Kathleen Rafferty Macdonald

In Good Company:

Feast days this week: Monday: *Seven Holy Founders and St Finan*; Tuesday: *St Colman*; Friday: *St Peter Damian*; Saturday: *Chair of St Peter*



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

Holy Cross

16 February 2014

Sixth Sunday of the Year

Year A: Eccles 15: 16-20; Ps 118; 1Cor 2: 6- 10; Mtt 5: 17-37



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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

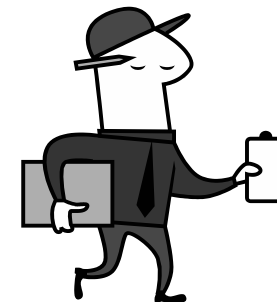
Day Visits the Church building is open during the day.

Xaverian Mission appeal next weekend of 22/ 23 Feb. We will welcome (back) *Fr Bideri SX* from Congo via Preston. Please be as generous as you can regarding your prayers (and your money).

Heavy Rain & Floods On Thursday of this past week, the normal 10am Holy Mass was “*offered and celebrated for those caught up in the recent heavy, heavy rains and flooding.*” A Note was included signed by those present and a request that Archbishop V. Nichols (President of the Bishops’ Conference of England & Wales) “*pass on our profound prayers, remembering the Lord’s own suffering.*” The Note also asked if there was a RC Church needing financial help due to the flooding, we at *Holy Cross* would have some sort of a Collection [indicating that a parish with the same name would be ideal]. “*Look upon us, O God, and see the floods that devastate the earth; grant we pray, hope to our troubled hearts and new life to the damaged land. Through our Lord...*”

Rome Pilgrimage (27 July - 3 August 2014) organized by *Alba Tours*. Fr Sullivan has agreed to be *Spiritual Director*. The next meeting (soon after which, all monies have to be paid) will be on Tuesday 6 May at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. There are two places remaining. In the meantime, for any queries contact Anne Marie, *Alba Tours* on 01698 262941.

This Affects You The parish Pastoral Council met to weigh up Options (with projected 6 Priests) as directed by the Archdiocese. Briefly, it was agreed that we should keep Holy Cross open, but close most of the others in the Deanery!!! The most favoured options were: Option D (3 Parishes but with some out-station Church- Buildings) and then Option A (6 single Church- Building Parishes). The PPC is querying the statistics suggesting Holy Cross had a “deficit over 3 years” and the numbers the Church can hold. This Parish will have to send two representatives to a Deanery level Meeting.



Protection of Vulnerable Groups Would all those who work with vulnerable groups in this Parish please consider attending at the Archdiocesan Offices, Clyde St at 7pm on one of the following dates: Thursday 20 Feb, Thur 6 March, Tuesday 18 March and Tues 25 March. Contact J Whalley either 0141 226 5898 or jillian.whalley@rcag.org.uk on a “first come first served basis”.

Vatican Response to critical UN Report, see www.news.va/en/news/holy-see-responds-to-un-committee-on-rights-of-the

SPRED is a parish based programme that exists to meet the spiritual needs of those parishioners who have a learning disability. We need new volunteers to continue this ministry in our local area. We also need drivers to take our friends to and from the meetings.

Someone from SPRED will be making an appeal for volunteers at Mass today. There will be an Info Evening on Tuesday 18 February in the *Parish Hall* at 7pm. Further Info from: Isobel Sergeant, SPRED, 0141 770 5055

Ladies Guild meets Thursdays at 7pm in the Parish Hall. Come along & join the *craic*. This week’s topic is “Energy Efficiency”; days out & Summer week away. Take the time to meet old & new friends. £2 per week.

Voluntary Sector Locality Network (Cumbernauld & North Area) Meet at 9.30am on Fri 21 Feb at New Town Hall, Bron Way, Cumbernauld, G67 1DZ. If you would like to represent the Parish please see Fr Sullivan.



"Yes, dear, you make a great Blessed Mother, but next time could you use your blanket for a mantilla?"

www.catholiccartoonblog.blogspot.com

Lourdes 21- 27 April £399 from *Christ the King Church*, Grangemouth. See poster or phone Ann (01324) 485657.

Sanctus when singing the “old” *Bellahouston Sanctus*, please sing “Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, Lord, God of Hosts” to allow it to scan (almost properly).

Change in Hall Bookings email: hall@holycrosscroy.com or Tel 07505 336892 Mon- Fri between 8-9pm