

Intimations

Congratulations to both Aimee & Emma Canavan and to Olivia Elaine, Joshua Michael & Jessica Aileen Kelly on their recent Baptisms. May the Good Shepherd guide their steps in good times and in bad.

Of your charity please pray for:

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

And for the happy repose of the souls of:

Recently Dead: Baby Tyler Stephen Farrell (Croy, Family Funeral Arrangements), Susan Dunbar, Lyndsay Auld, Robert Daly

Month's Mind Joseph Weldon, Lynne Weldon Glazer

3 Month's Mind Mary Martin

Anniversary: Annie & John Bolan, Francis McBride, Hugh McCann, Kay Kelly, Archie Meechan, Frank Hale, Alice Burns, Betty (Gribben) Taggart, Jean Hendry, Betty Hendry Dick, James Hendry, Patrick Clinton, Mary Clinton, Catherine Taggart, Tommy Taggart, Ina Scott, John Meechan, Betty Taggart, Mrs Mary Currie (née Brownlow), Mrs Isabel Friel

In Good Company:

Feast days this week: Friday: *Sts Perpetua & Felicity*; Saturday: *St John of God*

Pope Francis' Intentions for March 2014.

General: "that all cultures may respect the rights and dignity of women."

Evangelization: "that many young people may accept the Lord's invitation to consecrate their lives to proclaiming the Gospel."



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

Holy Cross

2 March 2014

Eighth Sunday of the Year

Year A: Is 49: 14-15; Ps 61; 1Cor 4: 1- 5; Mtt 6: 24-34



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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.

Hall Bookings email: hall@holycrosscroy.com or Tel 07505 336892, Mon-Friday between 8-9pm.

Xaverian Mission Appeal raised £2,300. [Parish Collection raised £1,027. Today the *Second Collection* will be to pay off the *Parish Hall Debt*.]

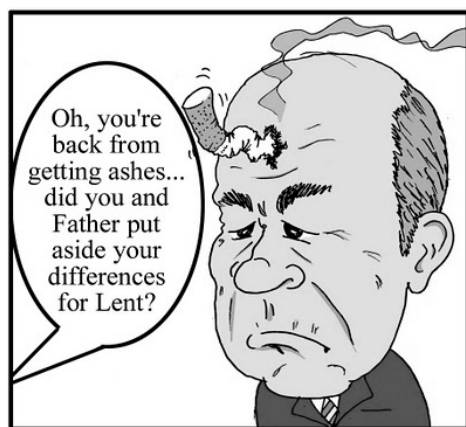
Pope Francis Faith Award is being launched by *St Andrew's Primary* P6 pupils & their teachers (Miss McLaughlin & Miss McCrearie) at 9.30am Mass.

New Evangelisation Good Materials based on Pope Francis' writings have been produced & may be found on the Archdiocesan Website. Interested in forming a *Faith- Sharing Group* to discuss these for five weeks during Lent or Easter? Please put your name, contact details on the sheet in porch area with your preferred time and day of the week.

Concert in honour of St Patrick by Croy Male voice choir, on Friday 14 March at 7pm in the Parish Hall. Tickets available from choir members.

Coffee Morning *without the bitter after- taste of injustice*, next Sunday (9 March) at 10.20am in Parish Hall.

Justice & Peace Group meets on Wed 5 March at 7pm. All those interested are invited to hear John McColl, a parishioner at *Holy Cross, Croy* & a *Justice of the Peace*. The meeting will offer an opportunity to listen to & discuss with someone who works to uphold society's laws on our behalf. John will share how his faith can help him when he has to make just pronouncements in Court. Is he aware of repentance on those who break society's laws?



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Dementia/ Alzheimer's Has your family been affected? Do you think there is a need for a local *Dementia Day Care Centre*? If so please take 5 minutes to read/ fill out the proposal sheets in the Porch area.

Gonzaga Lectures: "Pastors not Princes". Tuesdays of March in *St Aloysius' College* Hall at 7.30pm; admission is free, donations welcome. See Poster in the Porch area. Other Adult Faith development meetings are also advertised.

Ash Wednesday this Wednesday is a day of *fasting & abstinence*. Ashes will be distributed at 8.15am, 10am & 6.30pm Mass.



Way of the Cross A *Plenary Indulgence* is available to all who devoutly make the *Stations of the Cross* (here on Fridays after 10am Mass). The Sick/ Housebound, prisoners can gain the same indulgence, if they spend at least one half an hour in pious reading & meditation on the *Passion & Death* of our Lord *Jesus Christ*. Normal conditions apply: be free from all attachment from sin; receive the Sacraments of *Penance* and the *Eucharist*; pray for the intentions of the Pope.

Lenten Alms: there will be a *Second Collection* on the Sundays of Lent for *Sick & Retired Clergy* (this may be Gift Aided). On the *Fourth Sunday of Lent* however, the Collection will be for *Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund*. SCIAF Boxes & materials are available with this Bulletin & in the porch area. On Wed 12 Mar there will be an evening SCIAF Speaker at St Patrick's, Kilsyth

Holy Half-hour at 7pm on Mondays of Lent. Given the present situation, each Monday will have a different Intention. Monday 10 March: *Vocation by Baptism*; Monday 17 March: *Vocation to be a Lay person*; Mon 24 March: Annulled due to *First Confessions/ Reconciliation*; Mon 31 Mar: *Vocations to the Priesthood*; Mon 7 April: *Vocations to the Religious Life*.

Pioneer Total Abstinence Please consider taking the *Short Term Pledge* for Lent, see porch for further details. "*I promise, in honour of the Sacred Heart and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to abstain from all intoxicating drink until Easter Sunday.*" (Some add an exemption for *St Patrick's Day*.)

"Organized Group" Fr Sullivan would like to meet all Parish Groupings during Lent. This will allow discussion and mutual ongoing formation. Some Meetings will be at the time suitable to the Group: Pass- keepers, Music Ministry, Altar Servers, SVDP. However *Readers* are kindly requested meet at 7.40pm on Monday 17 March in the Chapel House; *Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion* are kindly requested to meet at 7.40pm on Monday 31 March in the Chapel House.