

## Intimations

Congratulations to Rheanna Drain, Arran Martin and Ross Carey on their recent Baptism. In walking with Jesus, may their Guardian Angel guide them.

*Of your charity please pray for:*

**Sick:** Sr Nancy Craig, Sr Mary Bernard McCarroll, Tom McLaren, Emma Biggins, Danny & Betty Rooney, Veronica Murphy, Iris McPake, Owen Higney, Johnny Waters, Ryan Allison, Anna & Rena McDonald, Owen Higney

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

**Recently Dead:** Neville Biggs (Craigmarnock), Elizabeth McGrory, George Donaldson, Martha Connelly, George Donaldson, John Currie, Jeanie Veitch, Vincent Howard, Helen Cairney, Joan Orange, Regane MacColl,

**3 Months Mind** James McVey (Eastfield)

**6 Months Mind** James Mulholland

**9 Months Mind** Marion McColl

**Anniversary:** Maurice Vincent McCusker, Anne McAleer, Cathy Silvano, John McNeil, Joseph Foster, Billy Gilfillin, John Dennington, Cathie & Bill Ross, Pat Waters, John McNelis, Elish McNelis, Jimmy McCarroll, Peter McNulty, Annie McCann, John Cairns, Margaret Rogan, Matt Vaughan, Mary Findlay, Hannah Waters, Archie Blair, Pat Reynolds, Archie Malone, Agbes McLaren, Joseph Boland, Nan Christie, Anne Watters, James Connolly, Hugh Dempsey, Jimmy Broadley, John Stokes, Charlie Stokes

*In Good Company:*

**Fest days** this week: Monday: St Aldemar; Tuesday: Annunciation of the Lord; Wednesday: St Margaret Clitherow; Thursday: St Rupert



*"The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert"*

John 3: 14

# Holy Cross

23 March 2014

Third Sunday of Lent

Year A: Ex 17: 3-7; Ps 94; Rom 5: 1-2, 5-8; Jn 4: 5-42



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**Clergy:** Rev Fr Joseph Sullivan

**Holy Mass**

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

Monday to Friday: 8.15am and 10am; 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 (followed by Tea & Toast in the Hall)

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

**Hall Bookings** email: [hall@holycrosscroy.com](mailto:hall@holycrosscroy.com) or Tel 07505 336892, Mon-Friday between 8-9pm.

**Faith-Sharing Group** based on Pope Francis' writings. Meet Wednesdays 7pm. See Fr Sullivan for Contact details. All welcome.

**First Confession/ Reconciliation** for P3 Pupils who have been enrolled, Monday 24 March at 6pm. Please remember them in your prayers.

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** are kindly requested meet at 7.40pm on Monday 31 March in the Chapel House. Would *Extraordinary Ministers* kindly uplift a leaflet and/ or hand any topics for discussion at the Sacristy. Could those who bring *Holy Communion* to the Sick/ housebound kindly bring names & Contact details to the Meeting or hand in to Fr Joe. Congratulations to all the *Extraordinary Ministers* for this ministry & in particular to Mr L Cordener for his preparation of the *Rota*.

**Children's Liturgy Animators** are kindly requested meet at 7.15pm on Thurs 27 Mar in the Chapel House. Would *Animators* kindly hand any topics for discussion at the Sacristy. A few more volunteers required (training given). Congratulations to all the *Animators* for this ministry & in particular to Mrs A McArthur for her preparation of the *Rota*.

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

**Lenten Alms:** Second Collection will be for *Sick & Retired Clergy* (Gift Aided). The *Fourth Sunday of Lent* will be for *Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund*. SCIAF Boxes & materials are available.

**Parish Collections** Figures will (normally) be published in the Porch Area

**Minibus to 11.40am Mass** If you would like to be uplifted please 'phone 07946 610381. We congratulate C Brannan for organizing this service on behalf. May God bless her kindness.

**All night Vigil** with the opportunity for the Sacrament of *Reconciliation/ Confession* and Prayer before the *Blessed Sacrament*. Pope Francis has asked for this as part of the *New Evangelization*. Friday 28 March at 5pm until Saturday 29 March at 5pm; visit [www.novaevanglizatio.va](http://www.novaevanglizatio.va). Do we have enough volunteers? Fr Sullivan proposes 5pm- 8pm on Friday and 10.30am – 1pm on Saturday.

**Lenten Station Mass** with Archbishop Tartaglia, for this Deanery at 7pm on Tuesday 25 March at *Sacred Heart Church, Cumbernauld*.

**Retreat Schoenstatt Shrine** in Campsie Glen. There are no places remaining but the *TTT* Group Leaders assure us of their Prayers at the Shrine.

**Way of the Cross** A *Plenary Indulgence* is available to all who devoutly make the *Stations of the Cross* (Fridays at 10.25am here).

**Easter Raffle** First Prize= £300, Second Prize= £200, Third Prize= £100, Fourth Prize= £50. There will be other *Gift Prizes*, all donations regarding these will be gratefully accepted. Tickets: Please uplift from Porch area, sell and return proceeds before *Easter Sunday*.

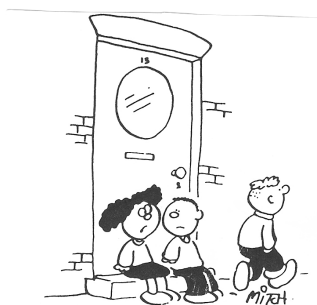
**Parish Facebook** Somehow the previous posts have been deleted. The Facebook Authorities have been asked to re- instate them. In the meantime, to begin again go to [facebook.com/holycrosscroy](http://facebook.com/holycrosscroy) & "like" the page.

**This Affects You** A Media Report on these issues. Some copies available in Porch area or can be accessed from [www.heraldsotland.com/news/home-news/parishes-in-cash-crisis-as-levies-fail-to-meet-costs.23668118](http://www.heraldsotland.com/news/home-news/parishes-in-cash-crisis-as-levies-fail-to-meet-costs.23668118)

**Rags to Riches** *Mary's Meals* will be collecting Textiles (but no bric-à-brac) at the Vigil Mass & Sunday morning Masses on 5/ 6 April 2014.

**Ladies Guild** meets Thurs at 7pm in Hall. Chewing Fat/ Recipe Book/ Craft.

**New Mass Translation Cards** have been purchased and placed inside each Hymn Book. There is an "amnesty" for the missing ones!



"His mother must be a lousy cook – they say prayers before every meal . . ."