

Intimations

Baptismal Blessings recently bestowed on *Paul Joseph Heron*. May he be among those who "...have not seen and yet believe." [cf. Jn 20: 29].

Banns of Marriage are called for the *second* time for *David Veldon & Deborah Donnelly*, also for *Barry Vannini & Laura Andrea Munro* and for *Ashley McGinley & Gerald O'Connell*.

Wedding Bells recently rang out for *Kevin Gallacher* [Bishopbriggs] and *Clare McEwan* [Balloch-Eastfield] "...this is the love I mean: not our love for God but God's love for us..." 1Jn 4: 10

Of your charity please pray for:

Sick: Johnny Doherty, Patricia Power, Anna & Rena MacDonald, Mary Starkey, Elizabeth Kelly, Donna McKie, Frank Brady, Roy Christie

And for the happy repose of the souls of:

Recently Dead: William Paxton [Balloch- Eastfield], Anna Pearson, Jimmy Cumming [Lenzie], Isa Hennessy, Bill Stewart, Derek Beattie, Ellen Doolan [formerly Croy], John Docherty [Kirkintilloch], Adele Sharkey, Eddie Barnes

Month's Mind Margaret (O'Neill) Deerin

3 Months' Mind Mary Griffin

"100th Birthday" Remembrance Mary Morrison

Anniversaries: Fr Peter Clinton, William McCarroll, Jim Scott, Annie McKay, Hexy Fowler, Bill Stobo, Tommy Mitchell, Mrs Helen Hackett, Annie Cairns, Robert Clinton, Fleming Differ, Mrs Annie McKay, Hannah Caffrey, John Lang, Jim Carberry, John Macdonald, William Brown, Margaret Brown, James Long, Cecilia Bradley, Cathy McCarroll Weir, Madge McGuire, Michael Ward, Jessie Pender, John Pender, Terry Sweeney, Mark Jones, Ann Morrison, Barney Clinton, George Brady, William (Wumby) Livingstone, George Curtis, Kathleen O'Donnell

In Good Company

Feast days Monday: *St Stanislaus*; Wednesday: *St Martin I*; Saturday: *St Bernadette*

Holy Cross

9th/10th April 2016

Third Sunday of Easter [C]


Acts 5: 27-32, 40-41; Ps 29; Apoc 5: 11-14; Jn 21: 1-19



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Holy Mass

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

Monday to Friday: 8.15am; Monday to Saturday: 10am

Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession Saturday after 10am & 6pm Mass

Holy Rosary daily at 9.30am

Novena in honour of *Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal* at the end of Mass on Tuesdays. *Tea & Toast* after Mass in Parish Hall.

Day Visits the Church building is open during the day.

Additional Support *Transport* to 11.40am Mass please 'phone: 07946 610381
Wheelchair- access ramp begins halfway down *Our Lady's Shrine* side of Building
Wheelchair- accessible Toilet: ask a *Pass-keeper* for a key to the *Parish Hall*
Large print Bulletins available on request from a *Pass-keeper*

Low Gluten Hosts (or reception from the *Chalice*) available: see Fr Sullivan
Hearing: Loop System is present

Hall Bookings See *Website* for details, then email: hall@holycrosscroy.com or *Booking Secretary*, Tel 07910 532605, Mon- Thursday between 8-9pm

Letter from the Bishops of Scotland

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

1. It is the duty of every Catholic to try to influence society for the better. The bishops urge you, therefore, to exercise your democratic right and responsibility to vote in the forthcoming *Scottish Parliamentary elections*.
2. Keep in mind that the *Scottish Parliament* now has more powers than before and has a greater say, therefore, in determining the welfare of society. As well as existing powers over education and health, the parliament has been given more control of the economy, with greater ability to raise and lower taxes. It will also have responsibility for legislation regarding abortion in Scotland.
3. Please make your views known to the candidates and the parties. You have two votes in the election. One is for a constituency MSP, where your vote allows you to have a direct say in who is elected. So scrutinise the candidates so as to vote for the person most compatible with your views. The second vote is for a political party. The party controls who is on their list and who is at the top of that list. You have, therefore, less control over determining which individual is elected. This is a concern when it comes to matters of conscience, where parliament may give a free vote to MSPs. It is important, therefore, that you seek to influence political parties by making your views known to them.
4. Please bring to this election the benefits of the insight that your Christian faith gives: *insight into the dignity of each person, particularly the weakest and most vulnerable; insight into the value of all human life from conception to natural death; insight into the family as the fundamental unit of our society; insight into social and economic justice for all; insight into the care of the common home we inhabit.*
5. To further these values, *you might well consider it worthwhile to join a political party*. Do not leave it to others to determine the future of Scotland. Only if you use



your vote can you make a difference and influence our political leaders. Catholics in Scotland should not simply be passive spectators but should be active participants in shaping a better society and in ensuring that we have a parliament that appreciates, understands and respects a *Christian vision for Scotland*.

Yours devotedly in Christ..

Good Shepherd Sunday is next week. *Rosary & Benediction for Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life:* next Sunday at 4.45pm.

Mary's Meals Clothing Collection on Sunday 24th April after both Masses. Textiles in any condition, includes clothes, household textiles, shoes, bags, curtains (but not carpets).

Interested in becoming an RC? RCIA meets Tuesday 19th April at 7.30pm in Chapel House.

Year of Mercy Pope Francis last Sunday, asked each Diocese to consider having a "*Structural Work of Mercy*" built this year: eg. a Hospital or a School or a centre for recovering drug addicts. Similarly, is there anything specific *we* could do in this great parish? Any ideas should be offered to any member of the *Parish Pastoral Council* to be considered at their next meeting.

Special Collection continues today and it will pay for the *Metal Fence (with decorative panel)* at outside *Notice Board*. Last week= £275
Next Week the Special Collection will be for *Ecclesiastical Students' Fund*.

Flowers for the Altar = £50 by *Anonymous Donor*. In addition £20 from another *Anonymous Donor* for flowers for *Our Lady's Altar*. Well done!

Newman Association "*Andrew Lang: The Reformation and its place in Scottish History*" at 7.30pm on Thursday 28th April at *The Ogilvie Centre, St Aloysius Church, Rose Street, Glasgow*.

Senior Citizens' Concert at 7.30pm on Monday 18th April in *St Patrick's Hall, Kilsyth*. To book 'phone 01236 821 211. This is generous initiative sponsored by the *Rotary Club*, see Poster in Porch.

Quote of the Week "I couldn't stop smoking though I'd tried several times. Then, every time I had a craving I headed for *Holy Cross Church Building* and sat in its calm atmosphere until the craving left me."

