

## Intimations

*Your charitable prayers are requested for*

**Sick:** Stephen Nash, Billy Graham, Hugh Logue, Eileen (Friel) Gemmell, George Vance, Morag Glennon, Mr Bryan Hare, Thomas Grant, Kathlene Harold, Joanne Buchanan, Moira Flynn, Thomas McWilliams, Paula Elliot, Mary Rooney, Denise Rankin, Denis Honan, Gillian Beattie Paterson (*Kilsyth*), Joe Briggs, Margaret Coyle, Jean Donnelly, Helen Hourigan, Ian Shand, Donna McKie, James Buchanan

*And for the happy repose of the souls of*

**Recently Dead:** John Tough [*Croy*], Billy Fury, Heidi O'Neill, Henry Lang (*Kilsyth*), Marion Muir, Elizabeth Cole, Sarah Clarke, Rosemary Coyle, Annie Jess, Elizabeth Coll, Margaret (née Cullen) Murphy [formerly *Croy*; Funeral: *Holy Family*, Dunblane Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Jan], Brenda Gallacher (*Kirkintilloch*)

**6 Months' Mind** Anne Parker, William McLaughlin

**Christmas Remembrance** James, Irene & Mary Griffin, Peter Waters, Annie & Peter Waters, Margaret Ryan, George Ryan, Anne Watters, Dan & Chris Comrie & Deceased Members of the Comrie Family, Jay Livingstone, Pat Reynolds, James Graham, James & Marie Rafferty, Kathleen Rafferty Macdonald, Agnes Graham, John McNeil, Deceased Members of the McCann Family & of the O'Donnell Family, Danny Brady Michael Brady, Thomas Shiels, Francis Taggart, Helen Taggart, Anna & Rena Macdonald, Deceased Members of the Murphy Family

**Anniversaries:** Elizabeth Kelly, Maggie McGoldrick, Peter Owen O'Brien, Moira Crainie, John McKay, Bernard McBride, Robbie Milne, Jane Daugela, Jim Daugela, Dan Durick, Eddie Keating, Mary Ford Dixon, Peter McKendry, Larry Differ, John Lang, Tommy & Elizabeth Barrett, Annie Carroll, Mary Goldie, Mrs Margaret Canavan, Gerry Kane, Charles Maley, Josie Waters, Annie Moody Reilly, Patrick O'Brien (POB), Tony Griffin, Anne Griffin, Joseph Waters, John Rooney, Margaret Murphy, Jim Murphy, Patrick Murphy Brady, Robert Mellon

*In Good Company*

**Feast days** Monday: *Mary, Mother of God*; Tuesday: *St Basil & St Gregory*; Wednesday: *Holy Name of Jesus, St Munchin*



# Holy Cross

30<sup>th</sup> / 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017

*Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph [B]*


Gen 15: 1-6, 21: 1-3; Ps 104; Heb 11: 8,11-12,17-19; Lk 2: 22-40



*"The Chapel House", Holy Cross, Constarry Road, Croy, Crothaidh, G65 9JG*

Tel: 01236- 822148

parishpriest@holycrosscroy.com

www.holycrosscroy.com and holycrosscroy on 

**Clergy:** Rev Fr Joseph Sullivan *PVG Scheme* renewed July 2017

### Holy Mass

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

Monday to Saturday: 10am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession** Saturdays after 10am Mass, after 6pm Mass & usually any day on request; *aussi en français, anche in italiano.*

**Holy Rosary** Monday to Saturday at 9.30am; also after Mass on Fridays.

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

**Divine Mercy Devotion** after Mass on Wednesdays

**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* certified by *USCCB* (or *Chalice* reception) available: see Fr Sullivan

*Hearing: Loop System* is present

**Hall Bookings** See *Website* for details, then email: hall@holycrosscroy.com or *Booking Secretary*, Tel 07833 544250, Monday- Thursday between 8-9pm

**Christmas Congratulations** to those who help make this time so uplifting{ Pass-keepers, those who keep the grounds, those who organize the Minibus to 11.40am Mass, the Cleaners, those who dress the Altar & keep the linen clean, those who launder the Altar Servers' Robes, Florists, the Bell ringers, the music ministry (*Holy Cross Music Group*, those who *prepare the music* and/ or Cant, Organists, *Croy Silver Band*, members of *Holy Cross Choir*, members of *Croy Community Choir*), Sacristan, *Readers*, those who compose the *Prayer of the Faithful*, those who lead the *Children's Liturgy*, *Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion*, *Altar Servers*, *Piety Stall- keepers*, *Crib- builders*, those who prepared & performed the *Nativity Tableau*, odd-job men, Bell-ringers, those who publish the *Parish Bulletin* and other administrative work those who make up *Rotas* and the *money-counters* should all be recognised and for all their work throughout 2017.

Regarding the Parish Hall we cannot forget those who staff the functions, change the bulbs and keep the place clean.

Fr Sullivan would "like to wish God's Peace & abundant Blessing on all parishioners at this time for their kindnesses & all expressions of good will."

**Special Thanks** to the *Cows & Sheep* at *Mr Montgomery's Farm* who kindly gave up their straw to decorate the crib.

**Crib Donations** will go to fund *St Margaret Children & Family Care Society*. This helps couples to adopt, foster & support children. If you would like to apply to be considered as an adoptive/ fostering parent, contact the Society at 274 Bath St, 0141-332 8371 or try [www.stmargaretsadoption.org.uk](http://www.stmargaretsadoption.org.uk)  
Donation boxes are available on the *Altar Rails* beside the crib.

REVERENDFUN.COM COPYRIGHT BIBLE GATEWAY



THE WISE MEN, BEING WISE, GOT ALL OF THEIR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING DONE WEEKS BEFORE THE RUSH

**St Nicholas Fund** Please return *St Nicholas Boxes* asap.

**Finance** No Second Collection this weekend; next weekend for *Justice & Peace Issues*. *Christmas Quarterly* is now due. Please place in *Quarterly box*. Proceeds will go to the *Ecclesiastical Students Fund* of the Archdiocese- helping to fund seminarians.

<- copyright: zondervan.com

**World Day for Peace** Immediately after Mass of *Mary, Mother of God* on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018, at 12noon, we have a short service for *Peace*. This will be led by the Parish *Justice & Peace Group*. There are no specific guests invited this year but anyone interested in peace is welcome to join us.

Pope Francis' chosen theme this year is: "*Migrants & Refugees: men & women in search of peace.*" Pope Francis suggests the following: "*Offering asylum seekers, refugees, migrants and victims of human trafficking an opportunity to find the peace they seek requires a strategy combining four actions: welcoming, protecting, promoting and integrating.*"



**Tea & Toast** on Tuesdays will resume on 2<sup>nd</sup> January. We take this opportunity to congratulate those who organize this fine venture... Well done!

**Bereavement Group** meets Tues 9<sup>th</sup> Jan at 7.30pm in Hall. New members welcome.

**New Year** It is a laudable custom to sprinkle one's house with *Holy Water* after "the Bells." *Holy Water* is available from the Porch Area.

**Communion under both Kinds** will be available next weekend.

**Looking back 2017** *What was new?* We welcomed *Mons Peter Smith* who spoke to us about *Miracles* and the parish had a "follow-up" visit to *Monthly Mass* at the Shrine of *Venerable Margaret Sinclair* in Edinburgh. A Jewish Couple *Ephraim & Margalit Borowski* kindly spoke to us on *Jewish Christian Relations*. *Rev Dr Tom Magill* introduced us to "*Contemplative Theology Groups*" aiming to prepare spiritually for our *Diamond Jubilee* year in 2018). *Archbishop Philip Tartaglia* led the *Corpus Christi Procession* in May this year (His Grace said "*I'm not really Archbishop of Glasgow until I've led this Croy Procession*"). The Destination point on the *Annual Walk for Vocations* was moved to the *Carmelite Monastery* at Kirkintilloch. Some of our young people participated in the *National Youth Pilgrimage to Iona*. A large number of Parishioners attended the *Consecration of Scotland* to the *Immaculate Heart of Mary* at Carfin. Fr Joe proposed that *Our Lady* be given a new title: "*Thistle without thorn*". In November the new *Parish Bereavement Group* began visiting on each *Month's Mind*. Over the year there were 63 *Baptisms* (two of whom were adults) and we welcomed two adult fellow- Christians into *full communion* with the RC Church. A *Parish Choir* for 11.40am Mass has begun to be formed. The *PPC* organised a grand *Church Workers' Social*. The re-pointing the *Church Building* is well- behind schedule due to the very wet year. New *Decorative Handrails* are in place to assist on our windy hill- top. Finally a *2018 Calendar* was distributed in time for the *Diamond Jubilee*.