

Intimations

Your charitable prayers are requested for...

Sick: A fresh list has begun. If YOU would like to have someone mentioned here, first ask permission from the person (or next- of- kin) in writing [cf *General Data Protection Regulation*], and hand in to *Chapel House*. Rosemary Harris, Marie Wall, Eileen Reilly, Mary Taggart, Catherine Caffrey

And for the happy repose of the souls of...

Recently Dead: Cathie Carberry [Croy], Tony Weldon [*Banknock* formerly *Croy*], Patrick Milligan [*Thornhill*, formerly *Croy/ Kilsyth*], Josephine (born Gallagher) Bowman, [*Child*] Nicole Howison, Mr John Carr, Ruth Lawler, Karen (Frances) Conway [*Smithstone*], Joseph Nicholson [*Bristol*], Richard Keenan [*Livingstone*], Josephine Usher, Helen Simmers (born Niddrie) Tabor [*Edinburgh*], Robert Thompson [*Ruchazie*], Norah (born McGhee) Byrne, Tommy McGoldrick

3 Months' Mind Rev Sr Roberta McLaren, Tommy Slaven, Michelle Taggart

6 Months' Mind Sarah Anne (born Clark) Mellon

Anniversaries: Phil Pelosi, Mary McLaren, Margaret Johnstone, James Taggart, James Murray [*Lanark*], Hugh Clinton, Nora Kelly, Grace Lafferty [6th], Joe Weldon & Lynn Weldon [7th], Jessie McCarroll, Barney Cairns [*Canada*], Sandra 'McKay' Weldon, Peter "Junior" Waters, Anne McGuire, Ellen Boyle, Gerald Grimley [1st], Rev Fr John McLaren, Archie ("Twin") McLaren, Tommy Rafferty, Mary Waters Curtis, Junior Waters

In the Good Company of...

Feast days Monday: *St Brigid, Blessed Benedict Daswa*; Tuesday: *Presentation of the Lord (World Day for Consecrated Life)*; Wednesday: *St Ansgar (Oscar), St Blaise* (the Prayer for the *Blessing of Throats* will be recited at the end of Mass on Wednesday); Thursday: *St John de Britto*; Friday: *St Agatha*; Saturday: *St Paul Miki & Companions*; (Sunday: *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time [B]*)

Act of Spiritual Communion When unable to attend *Holy Mass* you may wish to recite: "My Jesus, I believe that *You* are present in the most *Holy Sacrament of the Altar*. I love *You* above all things and I desire to receive *You* into my soul. Since I cannot now receive *You* sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart (*pause*)... I embrace *You* as if *You* were already there and unite myself wholly to *You*. Never permit me to be separated from *You*. Amen."

St Alphonsus Liguori



Holy Cross

30th / 31st January 2021

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time [B]

Deut 18: 15-20; Ps 94 "O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.";
(1Cor 7: 32-35); Mk 1: 21-28



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Clergy: Rev Fr Joseph Sullivan PVG Scheme renewed July 2017

COVID- 19 Church buildings are now closed to the public, at least until the end of January.

Baptisms only in emergencies, in which case anyone can baptise (usually *Midwife/ Doctor*) or see Fr Sullivan asap

Holy Mass Normally Streamed at 10am each day on *Parish YouTube Page* and *Parish Facebook Page* or via *Parish Website*

Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession when urgent: at front door of *Chapel House*, through the window at the side (hopper window will be open & curtain down) after 10.30- 11am on Saturdays.

Anointing of & Holy Communion to the Sick, in emergency, contact the *Chapel House*.

Hospitals/ Care Homes have their own protocols, follow Instructions of Staff.

Weddings Legal Maximum 5; may be *live-streamed*; Masks and *Track & Trace* required.

Funerals Legal Maximum 20; may be *live-streamed*; Masks and *Track & Trace* required.

Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal after streamed *Mass* on Tuesdays

Prayer during Year of St Joseph- to 8 Dec 2021: at the end of Mass on Wednesdays (*Indulgence*)

Bulletins & LARGE PRINT Bulletins safest to view on-line; either *Parish Website* or *Facebook Page*; also available at Door of *Chapel House* when visiting in necessity- use sanitised hands.

Parish Safeguarding: Tel: 07707868421/ 0759897660 or email: holycross.croy-psc@rcag.org.uk

Hall Bookings Closed at present but see Website for future, email: holycrosshall.croy@rcag.org.uk or *Hall Booking Secretary*, Tel 07555 983 418, Monday- Thursday between 8- 9pm; (in the "probable" Medium Term: 2 Households, Maximum 6 persons)

Interested in becoming a Roman Catholic? RCIA Group will meet on Tuesday 2nd February at 7.30pm through video- Conferencing. If you know of someone who is thinking about becoming an RC, bring this notice to their attention (& join them?). Contact *Chapel House* for Code & Password.

We take this opportunity to *Congratulate* the *RCIA Team* (ably led by *Mrs I Agnew*) for their fine & dedicated work.

Enrolment in *Holy Cross Primary* (& *Nursery*) is taking place now and similarly at *St Andrew's Primary*. Contact the specific School itself for further details.

Parish Fabric & Finance Team meets via video- conferencing on Thursday 4th February at 7.30pm. Items for the Agenda by this weekend to holycross.croy@rcag.org.uk or *Chapel House*. So far items for the *Agenda* include: Lockdown & Winter Precautions; On-line Financial Support for Parish; Reducing Expenses (Gas Bill = £891 for December); Servicing of Bell, various repairs.

Parish Pastoral Council meets via video- conferencing on Monday 8th February at 7.30pm. Items for the Agenda by this weekend to holycross.croy@rcag.org.uk or *Chapel House*. We take this opportunity to congratulate those who use their many talents & initiatives on the *PPC*!

Finance For those who are able (without putting their own security at risk), could you consider a payment, automatically through your bank, or directly from your electronic banking to the parish account? Contact the *Chapel House* for Bank Account: holycross.croy@rcag.org.uk. To Donate "on-line" (via the *Archdiocese*) please visit www.mygivinghub.com/detailed/donate?charity_id=1086401&type=2&hidden_amount=&amount=&reference=RCAG181 Father Joe is deeply grateful for any help you can offer to keep the parish afloat.

Parish Themed Mass Cards Well done the *Anonymous Donor* of £100 to help fund this Initiative.

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"My Day by Day" for *Lent*: would those who usually receive this, when visiting the *Chapel House* in a case of necessity, uplift from front door, leaving £1 per book through letter box.

Peter's Cat



Mary's Meals Men's *Acoustic Night Group* has organised a music night to be broadcast on YouTube on 6th February at 8pm in aid of *Mary's Meals*. Donations can be made on the evening of the show. Donations may be made to https://giving.marysmeals.org/en_gb/projects/0zpd-tommy-burns-night Details of how to access the Event will be published nearer the time.



Presentation of the Lord is Tuesday, it is also the *World Day for Consecrated Life*. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life (*Poverty, Chastity & Obedience*), and please consider thanking them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by *Jesus Christ* and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

On 25th *World Day of Consecrated Life*, their Congregation writes:

"...Consecrated men and women in religious, monastic & contemplative institutes, secular institutes and new institutes, members of *ordo virginum*, hermits, members of society of apostolic life, we ask all of you to place this encyclical ("*Fratelli Tutti*") at the centre of your life, formation and mission... To Mary, our Mother, Mother of the Church, faithful woman, on this year dedicated to St Joseph, her spouse, we entrust each of you. May you be strengthened in your living and loving faith, certain and joyful hope, humble and active charity..."

Text <http://www.internationalunionsuperiorsgeneral.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/INGLESE.pdf>

Nativity Banner and the *Papal Flags* will be taken down after Tuesday, the Feast of the *Presentation of the Lord* (2nd February).

Candle for Peace will be removed on Sunday evening. It is lit for one month from the *World Day of Prayer for Peace* on 1st January. *Pope Francis*' chosen Theme tis year is: "*A Culture of Care as a Path to Peace*." Hopefully our prayers for peace continue throughout this year... Well done to our own Poet- in- residence (Mr J McGrory) for the accompanying words.

Justice & Peace Group meets via video- conferencing on Monday 1st February at 7.30pm. There will be a Guest Speaker on: "*Mental health- an increasingly diverse issue*" a Police Officer's perspective. Other Topics will include *Fair-trade Fortnight*, (*forgotten*) *War in Yemen*. If willing & able to join them please contact the *Chapel House* for the Video Conferencing I.D. & Code.

St Josephine Bakhita has her Feast on Monday 8th February. It is also the *Day for Victims/Survivors of Human Trafficking*. *St Josephine Bakhita* had herself been sold as a slave.

Fetal Pain A new parliamentary motion (EDM 1340) is calling on the Government to introduce new guidance on *fetal pain*. The evidence that babies can feel pain in the womb, and during many abortions, highlights the humanity of the unborn child and provides another important reason to introduce legislation to protect the unborn child from abortion. *Right To Life UK* have set up an easy-to-use tool which makes it simple to contact your MP, and ask them to sign this motion. Visit the link: www.righttolife.org.uk/FetalPainMotion

EWTN Schedule available from front door of *Chapel House*.

Statistic of the Week The Parish *Facebook* Page passed 3,000 who "follow this."