

## Intimations

Your charitable prayers are requested for...

**Sick:** 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, Hugh Rae

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

**Recently Dead:** James Gallagher [*Doone*], Stephen Thornton Black [*Greenock*]

**Month's Mind** His Grace Philip Tartaglia [*Archbishop of Glasgow*], Tony Weldon, Patrick Milligan

**Special Remembrance** Jean (*born* Rees) Nash

**Anniversaries:** Margaret Bradley, Rev Sr Ignatius (Cairns), Paddy McCrae [5<sup>th</sup>], Peter, Annie & Eddie Meechan, Tony Equi [36<sup>th</sup>], Mary Waters, David Robertson [2<sup>nd</sup>], Annie Waters, William Durkin, Pat & Mary Boyce, Emma (*geborn* Kalss) Shiels [2<sup>nd</sup>], Edith Marion McKendry, Patrick McMullen [3<sup>rd</sup>], James McLaren, Margaret Boland, John Carrick, James Kelly, Mary Morrison, May Kos

In the Good Company of...

**Feast days** Monday: *St Claude la Colombière*; Tuesday: *Blessed Nicholas of Paglia*; Wednesday: *Ash Wednesday* otherwise *The Seven Holy Founders of the Service Order*, or *St Fintan*; Thursday: *St Colman*, *Blessed John of Fiesole (Fra' Angelico)*; Friday: *Blessed Alvarez of Cordoba*; Saturday: *Blessed Christopher of Milan*; (Sunday: *First Sunday of Lent [B]*)

**Prayer on this Year of St Joseph** (to be recited at end of *Mass* on Wednesdays, barring a funeral):

"Hail, *Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

To you *God* entrusted his only *Son*; in you *Mary* placed her trust; with you *Christ* became man.

*Blessed Joseph*, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen."

**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

13<sup>th</sup> / 14<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time [B]

*Lev 13: 1-2,5,11; Ps 31 "You are my refuge, O Lord; you fill me with the joy of salvation"; (1Cor 10: 31-11:1); Mk 1: 40-45*



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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](mailto:holycross.croy-psc@rcag.org.uk)

**Hall Bookings** Closed at present but see Website for future, email: [holycrosshall.croy@rcag.org.uk](mailto: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)

**Day of Prayer for Survivors of Abuse** is on Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> February. *Way of the Cross* (immediately after Mass) that day will have these *Survivors* as its Particular Intention.

**Protection of Vulnerable Groups** Zoom training dates for volunteers for both *Induction Part 1* and *Induction Part 2*. Those who have applied or already have PVG must attend this mandatory training, those who volunteer in other ministries which do not require PVG status are welcome to attend. To book: [safeguardingadministrator@rcag.org.uk](mailto:safeguardingadministrator@rcag.org.uk) Spaces are limited for each session & joining instructions will be sent to those who book. *Induction Part 1*: Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb- 6pm. *Induction Part 2*: Monday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb- 7pm; or Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb- 7pm; or Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Feb- 7pm

**Safeguarding Statement** The *Bishops' Conference* has stated that 'the Catholic Church in Scotland is concerned with the lives, safety, wholeness and well being of each individual person within God's purpose for everyone. It seeks to safeguard the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults who are involved in whatever capacity with the Church and its organisations. As a Church community, we accept that it is the responsibility of all of us, ordained, professed, paid and voluntary members to work together to prevent the physical, sexual, emotional abuse or neglect of children, young people and vulnerable adults'.

*Pope Francis* has asked that our families are made aware that they have every right to expect that they are safe and secure in 'Our Father's House'. As part of our commitment to *Safeguarding*, it is vitally important that we remember those who have been harmed or abused either by a member of the Church, members of their family or any other person. It is asked of us that we pray and care about them. In 2019, the *Bishops of Scotland* established an annual *Day of Prayer* for those who have suffered abuse and individuals and communities who are affected by abuse. This *Day of Prayer* is to be marked each year on the Friday following Ash Wednesday. This year the *Day of Prayer* falls on the 19<sup>th</sup> of February. This day allows the Church to renew its apology to anyone who has suffered and to stress its commitment to the essential work of safeguarding across our parish communities. In the parish of *Holy Cross, Croy* we will be marking this day of prayer at *Stations of the Cross*.

The *Archdiocese of Glasgow* is fully committed to safeguarding as an integral part of life in the Church. Both the Archdiocese and our parish of *Holy Cross, Croy* embrace the special responsibility we have for all children, young people and vulnerable adults who are part of our faith community. In our (insert where it is displayed – *Church Building*, and *Parish website* there is a poster/information which highlights our Safeguarding manual and has contact details for the parish, the parish coordinator(s) and the *Diocesan Safeguarding Team*. Please make contact with them or the *Parish Priest* if you have any concerns regarding the abuse or harm of any child, young person or vulnerable adult.

*Safeguarding* in our parish is with us in all aspects of our living faith. Each year, as *Parish Priest*, *Parish Safeguarding Coordinators* and *volunteers*, we commit ourselves to these principles and to renewing and improving our practice. We adhere to the protocols and procedures laid out by the *Bishops' Conference of Scotland* in the document *In God's Image*. These procedures, and the vigilance of those involved in the life of the parish, helps us to ensure that everyone should feel safe when they come to Mass, services, groups or social events. All of us involved in *Safeguarding* within the *Archdiocese* are grateful for all the hard work done by all our *Parish Priests*, *Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinators* and our *parish volunteers*.

## Peter's Cat



**Ash Wednesday** this Wednesday is a day of *fasting & abstinence*. *Mass* will be on-line as normal at 10am. Search *Holy Cross, Croy* on *YouTube* or *Facebook*. The Scottish Bishops write: "...Under normal circumstances, the ashes from the previous year's palms (are used). This year... if you wish to use ashes, perhaps you could use some dried-out earth from your garden, finely ground charcoal or ashes from someone's fire. The important thing is that we have the interior desire to 'turn away from sin and believe the Gospel'."

The Bishops also offer a liturgy for use at home: [https://www.bc.os.org.uk/COVID19/COVIDResources?fbclid=IwAR3d2qclVXII6kDtpuuMZL\\_8dGIPEGUENpiFzPgDTW8qfBs-aHZwUpi8Qo](https://www.bc.os.org.uk/COVID19/COVIDResources?fbclid=IwAR3d2qclVXII6kDtpuuMZL_8dGIPEGUENpiFzPgDTW8qfBs-aHZwUpi8Qo)



**Lenten** "Count-down Calendars" have been purchased. The Staff of *Holy Cross & St Andrew's Primaries* have been issued with one per class.

**Stations of the Cross Plenary Indulgence** is available to all who devoutly make the *Stations of the Cross*: here on Fridays after 10am Mass (barring a Funeral). On Saturdays there will be a link/upload to the "Children's Way of the Cross" based on that which was prepared for *Good Friday 2020*

**Dedication to St Joseph** begins on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February. 33 Days of the Hymn, then a short Reflection (from a parishioner or Fr Joe) and ending with the *Litany of St Joseph* will be uploaded each day on the parish *Facebook Page* (usually around midday). You may wish to join in a personal manner. If you would like to compose 5- 12 sentences on one of the attributes in *Litany of St Joseph*, please contact Fr Sullivan asap. Some attributes are already in-the-pipeline eg the *Bereavement Group* has (obviously) chosen "St Joseph... Patron of a Happy Death" and the *Ladies Guild*, "St Joseph... Glory of Home Life." The *Dedication* itself will take place on *St Joseph's Feast Day*, 19<sup>th</sup> March and recorded & uploaded to *YouTube & Facebook*, courtesy of *Holy Cross Stream Team*.

**Sacraments of First Reconciliation/ Confession, First Holy Communion and Confirmation**: updates in the coming weeks.

**Bereavement Group** meets Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 7.30pm. If willing to assist in this important matter, please contact *Chapel House* for video-conferencing Code & Password.

**Lenten Devotions** No public Devotions due to COVID-19 restrictions. One may well wish to pray the *Holy Rosary* at 7pm on Tuesdays on one's own/ as a family.

**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](mailto: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](http://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.

**Men's Acoustic Night Group** recent music night in aid of *Mary's Meals*. Donations possible until Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb 6pm at [https://giving.marysmeals.org/en\\_gb/projects/0zpd-tommy-burns-night](https://giving.marysmeals.org/en_gb/projects/0zpd-tommy-burns-night)

**Kilsyth Community Board** re *Miller Homes*. With regard to a *Proposal of Application Notice* received, the developer has confirmed their intention to hold a *Virtual Public Consultation Event* from 17<sup>th</sup> February until 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021, with live chat sessions taking place on the 17<sup>th</sup> February itself from 2pm until 4pm then from 6pm until 8pm. Event and web-page: [www.constarryroad.co.uk](http://www.constarryroad.co.uk)