

## Intimations

*Abundant Baptismal Blessings* recently bestowed on *Bonnie Catherine Friel*. “*Strong lions suffer want and go hungry but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing*” [cf.Ps 33: 10 (...and the last words written by *St Columba of Iona*)].

*Your charitable prayers are requested for...*

**Sick:** If you would like someone put on the list, you must receive their permission (or that of the *next-of-kin*) to comply with GDPR... Rosemary Harris, Dorothy Starkey, Jim Reilly, John Carberry

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

**Recently Dead:** Vera Rooney [formerly *Condorrat*], Eddie McKinley [*Dunblane*], Catherine McGurran, Michael McCafferty [*Cumbernauld*], Ann (*born* Smith) Fisher, Henry Casey [*Kilsyth*], Isabell Wilson, John Hyland [*Falkirk*], Eileen (*born* Reilly) Stewart

**Month's Mind** Mary (*born* McLaren) Carrick

**3 Months Mind** Rev Sr May Higney

**6 Months' Mind** Catherine Caffrey

**Anniversaries:** James McDonald, Danny McKay [formerly *Ballymoney*], Stan Kos, Edward Brady [40<sup>th</sup>], Mary Ellen (*born* Farren) Twigg, Mary Dennington, Tommy Dennington, Margaret Campbell, Margaret McCarroll, Catherine McAtee, Edward McAtee, Patrick McCarroll, Thomas Rafferty, Catherine Rafferty, Tony Christie, Danny Taggart, James (Shem) Currie, Philip Friel, Eileen Archibald, Craig Friel [10<sup>th</sup>], Helen McLaren Mulhearn, Eileen Forsyth [2<sup>nd</sup>], Anne (Rants) Rafferty [2<sup>nd</sup>], Elspeth (Elsie) Mathieson [1<sup>st</sup>], Annie Kerr Clinton [1<sup>st</sup>], Rev Donald McGlynn *OCR STL* [1<sup>st</sup>], Eddie & Winnie Devine

*In the Good Company of...*

**Feast days** Monday: *St Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward, St Fiacre*; Tuesday: *St Aidan*; Wednesday: *St Giles*; Thursday: *Blessed André Grasset*; Friday: *St Gregory the Great*; Saturday: *St Cuthbert*; (Sunday: *Twenty-third 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

28<sup>th</sup> / 29<sup>th</sup> August 2021

*Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time [B]*



*Deut 4: 1-2,6-8; Ps 14 “The just will live in the presence of the Lord;” James 1: 17-18,21-22,27;*

*Mk 7: 1-8,14-15,21-23*



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

**COVID- 19** Masks to be worn; “*Track & Tracing*” still required; please follow directions; *social distancing* is not required. Receiving *Holy Communion* (*low Gluten Hosts* available): you may receive *Holy Communion* on the tongue at the very end of the *Communion Procession*. We may sing, and with *Hymn Books*. No *Kneelers* yet in use- you may bring your own cushion.

**Holy Mass** *Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sundays at 9.30am & 11.40am*. No *Sunday Mass Obligation*. *Mass* is Streamed Live on *Parish YouTube Page*, via *Parish's Website & Parish Facebook*, courtesy *Holy Cross Stream Team*.

**Baptisms** Normally at 12.45am (in an emergency anyone can *Baptise*- usually *Midwife/ Doctor*)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession:** on *Saturdays 10.30am- 11am and 6.40- 7pm* at *Wheelchair Access Door of Church Building*. Please stand.

**Anointing of & Holy Communion to the Sick/ unable to attend Mass** contact the *Chapel House*. *Care Homes & Hospitals* have own *Protocols* to be followed. Ask *Staff* to Contact the *RC Chaplain*.

**Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal** on *Tuesdays & Prayer to St Joseph* on *Wednesdays*  
**Bulletins & LARGE PRINT** *Bulletins*: safest to view on-line; either *Parish Website* or *Facebook Page*; also available in *Porch Area & at Door of Chapel House*- use sanitised hands.

**Parish Safeguarding:** Tel: 07707868421/ 07598976603 or email: [holycross.croy-psc@rcag.org.uk](mailto:holycross.croy-psc@rcag.org.uk)

**Hall Bookings:** Maximum at present, 100 persons. At present only allow *ONE Hire* per day is permitted- to allow for good “*airing*.” email: [holycrosshall.croy@rcag.org.uk](mailto:holycrosshall.croy@rcag.org.uk) (other contact via the *Chapel House* at present)

**P7 Enrolment** for *Confirmation* at any Mass on 11<sup>th</sup> / 12<sup>th</sup> September. If unable to attend please telephone in to Chapel House (Tel 01236 822 148) 6-7pm on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September or Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September: P7 pupil with Parent. We don't yet have a date for P7 Confirmation.

**World Apostolate of Fatima - Scotland** Newsletter may be accessed: <https://www.facebook.com/793733930655198/posts/4699836623378223/?d=n>

**(Fair copy of) Recent Letter to Pope Francis:** “Your Holiness, Pope Francis,

Filial Greetings from the RC Parish of *Holy Cross, Croy* in Scotland. We pray that the affairs of office will weigh lightly on Your Holiness' shoulders, and that we in our turn be faithful to the Catholic faith, lived and loved in the light of Your Holiness' own good example.

We hear from various Media Sources that Your Holiness intends to attend the *COP26 Conference* here in Scotland. This parish is part of the *Archdiocese of Glasgow*. In case *Your Holiness* requires hospitality then please be assured that you would be welcome at the Chapel House or indeed many houses in *Croy*.

Along with my signature on this letter you will see many signatures from Parishioners who are over 80 years of age and are conscious of how important hospitality is to others, not just to *Your Holiness*. *Your Holiness* is showing tremendous concern for *God's Creation* and the over 80s would like to associate themselves with such concern.

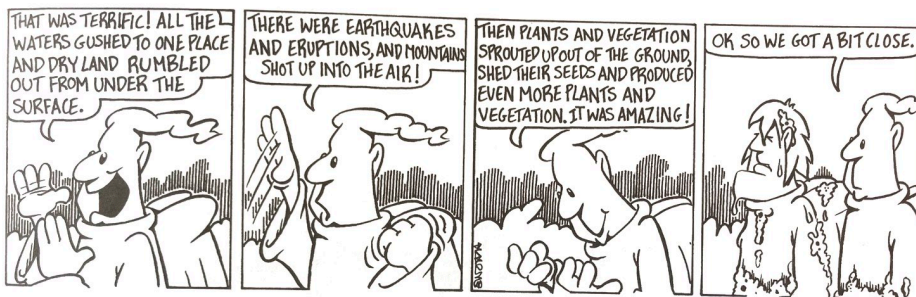
In sending this sincere Invitation, the whole Parish, appreciates that it would be most unlikely that *Your Holiness* would be able to accept. Nevertheless, we considered it even to make this proposal would prove our devotion and esteem for *Your Holiness'* leadership in the *Care for Creation*.

Finally, regardless of the outcome please be assured of our continued prayers for your *Petrine Ministry* and we shall carry, in our hearts, our love for *Your Holiness*.

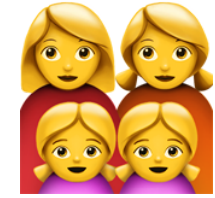
I, and the whole of the Parish look forward to hearing from *Your Holiness*, or one of *Your Holiness'* kind Assistants. Yours in Christ, through whom all things were made...”

**EWTN TV Timetable:** Copies are available in *Porch Area*

**Creation: Gen 1: 9-12**



**Holy Cross Ladies' Guild** has begun again on Thursdays, 7- 9pm in *Parish Hall*. There will be *Track & Trace*; extra sanitising of “touch areas” and Seat Covers removed and (anti-bacterially) washed (when required).



¿Thinking about becoming a Roman Catholic? *RCIA Group* will meet on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> August at 7.30pm on the grass at the *Chapel House*. If the weather is inclement we will meet (spread out) in *Parish Hall*.

If you know of someone who is thinking about becoming an RC, please bring this notice to their attention (& come with them?).

**Justice & Peace Group** meets on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm. Agenda includes: *COP26 & Hospitality* for its Delegates; Lorna Gold (*Focolare*) *Action Plans*; Line Dancing for *Aid to the Church in Need*; Becoming an *Eco-Congregation*. If willing & able to join them please contact the *Chapel House* for the Video Conferencing I.D. & Code.

**Piety Stall** a fresh supply of the “*Sleeping St Joseph*” statues has arrived.

**Croy Silver Band** will begin Band Practice on Monday evening 6<sup>th</sup> September in Parish Hall. New Members will be made particularly welcome. Musicians may just “turn up” or for Contact details: “@CroySilverBand” or <http://www.croysilverband.com>

**Change of Confessional** The “normal one” isn't airy enough. So the *Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession* will be held at the *Wheelchair Exit*, with low music as interference. Please stand. This is a difficult Sacrament, if anyone has a helpful good idea, please pass it on.

Earlier this year Pope Francis praised the *Sacrament of Reconciliation*: “The good confessor always points out, alongside the primacy of love, the indispensable love of neighbour, as a daily gymnasium in which to train love for God.” The Pope also emphasized the importance of frequent *Confession* as “a way of sanctification, a school of faith, of abandonment, of change and of correspondence to the Father's merciful Love.” It is reported that *St Thérèse of Lisieux* used to “dance” when leaving the Confessional!

**March for Life** Sat 4<sup>th</sup> September, Westminster, 10am – 4.30pm. Overnight coach from *St. Mirins' Cathedral*, Paisley at midnight on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September picking up at *St Andrew's Cathedral, Gretna Green* and *Charnock Richard Services* (M6) Chorley. The coach will return from Parliament Square at 5pm with an ETA of midnight (*Paisley*). Cost per person= £30. To book a seat Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/march-for-life-september-2021-coach-tickets-163611601705>. More information on the days' event is available at *Home - March for Life UK*. For all other enquiries please contact Marianne ([curia@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:curia@rcdop.org.uk)) or Louise ([grant@spucscotland.org](mailto:grant@spucscotland.org))

**National Pilgrimage** at the Shrine to *Our Lady* at *Carfin* on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2021. The Pilgrimage this year will be in honour of *St Joseph*. The Celebrant and Homilist will be *Rt. Rev. Brian McGee, Bishop of Argyll and the Isles*.

**Nunraw Abbey, near Haddington** Guest House has now re-opened. Bookings can be made by: Telephone- 01620 670096 at 10- 11.30am or 2.30- 4.30pm or via [guesthouse@nunrawabbey.com](mailto:guesthouse@nunrawabbey.com) There is an Aphorism regarding *Cistercian Life*: “A hard bed to lie on... but a sweet bed to die on.”