

Intimations

Christ the Redeemer has freed Ryan & Keegan Crampsie and Lewis McIntyre from Original Sin and bestowed on them Abundant Baptismal Blessings. "A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord" [cf Jer 17: 5].

Banns of Marriage are called for the third time between Lewis Crainie & Collette Frances McFarlane and between Michael O'Donnoll & Leigh Anne Heron. If anyone knows any reason why either couple should not be joined in Holy Marriage, you must let this be known a.s.a.p.

Your charitable prayers are requested for...

Sick: Dorothy Starkey, Jim Reilly, Mary (born Owens) McCormack, Catherine Curry, Jim Curry, Gena Caddle, Margaret Paterson Jamieson [Toronto formerly Croy], Eileen Reilly [Aviemore], Mary Thompson, Helen Watson, Nicky Lamb, Mary Johnston, Anne Grieg, John Carberry

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

Recently Dead: Fr David Lloyd [Birmingham], Maria Currie, Alex Hendry [Bishopbriggs]

Month's Mind Michael McCann

6 Months' Mind Jim Boyce

Anniversaries: David Robertson [3rd], Annie Waters, Pat & Mary Boyce, Patrick McMullen [4th], Ann Movies [1st], Tony Equi [37th], Pat Boyce, Mary Boyce, James Kelly, Alistair Glenday [5th], Kathleen Rafferty Macdonald, Mary Malone Morrison, John Carrick, James McLaren, Margaret Boland, Paddy McCrae, Deceased Members of the Meechan Family, Peter MacArthur, Margaret & Patrick Lafferty, Emma Shiels [3rd], Peter O'Donnell, Margaret (born Smith) Smyth [2nd], May Kos, Anne & John Keoghan, Mary Water, Rev Sr Ignatius, Hugh Bradley, Neil Doogan [5th], Martin Lalley [6th], Jack Brown [5th], Joan Campbell, Janette (Nash) McCann, Mary Dillon, Susannah Charlie Csombo, Maggie Paterson

In the Good Company of...

Feast days Monday: *St Peter Damian*; Tuesday: *The Chair of St Peter the Apostle*; Wednesday: *St Polycarp*; Thursday: *Blessed Constantius of Fabriano OP*; Friday: *St Ethelbert, St Walburga*; Saturday: *St Alexander of Alexandria*; (Sunday: *Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time [C]*)



Holy Cross Croy


Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time [C]

19th / 20th February 2022

1Sam 26: 2,7-9,12-13,22-23; Ps 102 "The Lord is compassion and love," 1Cor 15: 45-49;
Lk 6: 27-38

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"Holy Cross, Croy" on YouTube & , and is a Fairtrade Parish

Clergy: Rev Fr Joseph Sullivan PVG Scheme renewed July 2017

COVID- 19 Masks to be worn (unless exempt); "Track & Tracing" is suspended; Holy Water - only with sanitised hands, receiving *Holy Communion* (low Gluten Hosts available): you may receive *Holy Communion* on the tongue at the very end of the *Communion Procession*. A "fogger machine" has been purchased used after "busier" Masses (& windows open). At "quieter" Masses, the "fogger" will be used every second day. Parish Collection is by (Cash or Chip & Pin) "plate" in porch area.

Holy Mass Normal Times: *Saturday Vigil* at 6pm, *Sundays* at 9.30am & 11.40am. The *Obligation* to attend Mass on *Sundays* and *Holydays of Obligation* begins first Sunday of March & of Lent. *Morning Mass* is Streamed Live on *Parish YouTube Page*, via Parish's Website & *Parish Facebook*, search "Holy Cross, Croy" all courtesy *Holy Cross Stream Team*.

Baptisms Normally Sundays at 12.45pm (see Fr Sullivan)

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

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 after Mass on Tuesdays, barring a funeral.

Bulletins & LARGE PRINT Bulletins: 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
Policy Document available <https://www.bcos.org.uk/InGodsImageV2/tabid/131/Default.aspx>

Hall Bookings: Maximum at present, 100 persons. With Hospitality, the Hire-er attends to *Track & Trace*. After each hire there will be "sanitising fogging" and good "airing." To Hire Hall email: holycrosshall.croy@rcag.org.uk (or Tuesday 6- 7pm or Friday 1- 2pm: Mobile: 07763 592716)

Welcome to Fr Billy Harrison (*Salvatorian Missionary* from Coatbridge) who is guiding the Pastoral– Liturgical work of the parish. In an emergency (seriously ill or danger of death) phone his mobile: 079276 14427. The Chapel House “House-sitter” should also be able to pass on messages. Be nice to them.... as you always are!

Installation of Bishop William Nolan as *Archbishop of Glasgow* on Saturday, 26th February at 12 noon in *Saint Andrew’s Cathedral*. *Parish Pastoral Council* has sent a *Congratulations Card* to the Bishop on behalf of the Parish Family. Two parishioners and Fr Joe intend to be present.

Sunday Mass Obligation: “Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, The obligation for Catholics to celebrate Sunday as a *Holy Day* by gathering together for Mass will be restored from the *First Sunday in Lent*, Sunday 6th March... As always, the obligation does not apply to those who are sick and their carers or to those aware of their greater vulnerability to the virus... We, the *Bishops of Scotland*, take this opportunity to thank our clergy and our parish volunteers for all their efforts...”

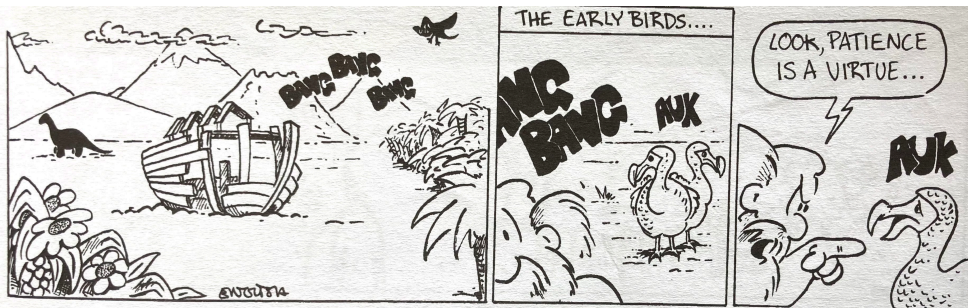
Ignition Spirituality Centre Online Retreat for Lent is open to all & begins *Ash Wednesday*-celebrates 500 years since the conversion of *St Ignatius Loyola*. Each day of Lent the retreat has an episode from the *life of Ignatius*, *Music*, *Art*, a reading from *Scripture* and a *reflection*. Participants may wish to join for weekly meeting with others to share. Visit <https://iscglasgow.co.uk/len22.html>

COVID Update <https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-places-of-worship/> Avoid crowding and encourage distancing; Ventilation is really important – keep a good airflow in the church and in any other meeting rooms, halls, etc; cleaning need not be as intensive as before. Face coverings must be worn by everyone in church, unless exempt.. Extraordinary Ministers should wear masks when distributing Communion.

The Knights of St Columba new members to join. We are looking for all men aged 18 years to 65 to assist us to promote the work of the Catholic Church; to help clergy, to help others in need and to get involved in all the work that we do throughout Scotland. If interested/ like more information please contact John O'Donnell on 07854886425 or Paul Laird on 07875499608.

Statistic of the Week According to “*The (2022) Catholic Directory for Scotland*,” the Parish of *Holy Cross, Croy* had the highest number of Baptisms (in 2020) for the whole of the *Archdiocese of Glasgow*. Well done those who wish their families to be part of the life of this parish. Please note that the relevant families therefore trusted the Sanitising arrangements. Well done all those concerned!

Cartoon: see Gen 6: 13-14



Fair-trade Parish we have been for the last 4 years so we (again) highlight *Fair-trade Fortnight* from Monday 21st February until 6th March. The Covid 19 pandemic has shown more clearly than ever how interconnected everyone is globally- speaking. Choosing the *fair-trade* symbol allows shopping choices to drive change for communities who previously suffered from exploitation. Justice and Peace Group are keen to provide parishioners with the opportunity to purchase some Fairtrade items next Sunday, 27th February after the 9.30am and 11.40am Masses. There will be a small stall selling chocolate bars, boxes of teas, coffees and much more just inside the doors of the church hall. Feel free to drop in for a short browse. All welcome. More information available at fairtrade.org.uk Regarding a “Just wage” see *Catechism of the Catholic Church* n.2434 “ ‘Remuneration for work should guarantee man the opportunity to provide a dignified livelihood for himself and his family on the material, social, cultural and spiritual level, taking into account the role and the productivity of each, the state of the business, and the common good.’ Agreement between the parties is not sufficient to justify morally the amount to be received in wages.”



Sacraments First Confession/ Reconciliation Each P3 Pupil: *Holy Cross Primary*: Thursday Evening, 24th February. *St Andrew’s Primary*: Tuesday Evening, 8th March. Fr Billy Harrison and/ or *Comboni Missionary* Fr Javier Alvarado will be assisting Fr Joe.

P3 Parents will find the following material useful <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1zKKn-nPIXzbcBOO2Fy1B93TIsz44MJcu?usp=sharing>

Lenten Devotions No public Devotions due to COVID caution. One may well wish to pray the *Holy Rosary* at 7pm on Tuesdays on one’s own/ as a family. However there will be SYNOD on- line Meetings and attend- physically meetings

40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil outside of the *Queen Elizabeth University Hospital*, Hardgate Road Glasgow. What are you going to do for Lent this year? Can you give one hour per week to come and pray for an end to abortion? If so please email Ogilvie1615@outlook.com for more details.

Helpful Words for those who have had an abortion from *Pope John Paul II*: “I would now like to say a special word to women who have had an abortion. The Church is aware of the many factors which may have influenced your decision, and she does not doubt that in many cases it was a painful and even shattering decision. The wound in your heart may not yet have healed. Certainly what happened was and remains terribly wrong. But do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope. Try rather to understand what happened and face it honestly. If you have not already done so, give yourselves over with humility and trust to repentance. The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and his peace in the *Sacrament of Reconciliation*. To the same Father and his mercy you can with sure hope entrust your child. With the friendly and expert help and advice of other people, and as a result of your own painful experience, you can be among the most eloquent defenders of everyone’s right to life. Through your commitment to life, whether by accepting the birth of other children or by welcoming and caring for those most in need of someone to be close to them, you will become promoters of a new way of looking at human life.”
Evangelium Vitae n.99

Quote of the Week “We’ll need to get copies made of the *Portrait of Fr Sullivan* by Fr Javier and then sell them for Charity... they will be very popular”- by a holy parishioner. Fr Joe responds: “I’m a humble man, but who am I, to go against the wishes of my Public...?”