

Intimations

Christ the Redeemer has freed Cillian James Blackwood from Original Sin and bestowed on him Abundant Baptismal Blessings. “By his own right hand God has now raised (Jesus) up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins... We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him” [cf Acts 5: 31- 32].

Catechism of the Catholic Church (& the Lord) teaches the “Necessity of Baptism” [N. 1257] but also [N. 847] “...Those who, through no fault of their own, do not know the Gospel of Christ or his Church, but who nevertheless seek God with a sincere heart, and, moved by grace, try in their actions to do his will as they know it through the dictates of their conscience - those too may achieve eternal salvation.”

Your charitable prayers are requested for...

Sick: Dorothy Starkey, Jim Reilly, Mary (born Owens) McCormack, Catherine Curry, Jim Curry, Eileen Reilly [Aviemore], Helen Watson, Nicky Lamb, Anne Grieg, Rev Sr Jeanette Ward SND, Jean Robertson, May Bowman [Alness], Jim Ringrose, Brian Hughes, Elizabeth Lynagh, Mark Costello, Euan Sutherland, Vincent Trama [Canada]

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

Recently Dead: Patrick Cassidy [Croy; Receive: Wednesday, 11th May at 6.30pm; Funeral Mass: Thursday 12th May at 10am; Family request that this NOT be live-streamed], John Carberry [Croy; Receive: Sunday, 15th May at 6.30pm; Funeral Mass: Monday 16th May at 10am; Family request that this NOT be live-streamed], Hugh Connolly [Croy; Receive: Tuesday, 17th May at 9.55am; Funeral Mass: Tuesday 17th May at 10am; Family request that this NOT be live-streamed], Mamie Leary [Condorrat], Andrew Strachan, Michael John Quinn [Carlisle], Paul Breslin [Donegal], Margaret Gallagher, Maureen (born Airlie) Brady

Anniversaries: Mary Bradley, Jim Bowman, Peter Keenan, Davie Gribben, Betty Gribben, Davy McCarroll, Pat Lafferty [1st], Helen Taggart, Thomas Malone, Martha Morrison, Cathie Cunningham, Catherine (born McGlynn) Carr, James & Helen McKeown, Brian Harkins [1st], Lily & Frank McColl, John Bolan, Annie Bolan, Michael Brady, Mary Lang, Mary McBride (McConville, Ballymoney), Sarah Cole [Nottingham], Lily Bennett, Cathy McCarroll Weir

In the Good Company of...

Feast days Monday: Tuesday: *St Comgall, St John of Avila, St Damien of Molokai*; Thursday: *Sts Nereus & Achilleus, St Pancras*; Friday: *Our Lady of Fatima*; Saturday: *St Matthias*; (Sunday: *Fifth Sunday of Easter [C]*)



Holy Cross Croy

Fourth Sunday of Easter [C]


7th/ 8th May 2022

Acts 13: 14,43-52; Ps 99: “We are his people, the sheep of his flock”; Apoc 7: 9,14-17;

Jn 10: 27- 30

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Clergy: Rev Fr Joseph Sullivan PVG Scheme renewed July 2017

COVID- 19 Re the *Sign of Peace*: in this parish, we will continue to “bow in our bubbles.” Receiving *Holy Communion* (low Gluten Hosts available); at present those distributing *Holy Communion* will continue to wear a mask/ visor; *Holy Communion* on the tongue at the very end of the *Communion Procession*. A “fogger machine” will still be in use and windows open regularly. An area at the front on the *Sacred Heart* side is reserved for those who would like extra space. Parish Collection is by *Cash Bucket* or *Chip & Pin Plate* in porch area. *White-topped Bucket* is for the Parish, *Red-topped Bucket* is for any *Special Collection*.

Day Visits: Church Building open early morning till early evening.

Holy Mass Normal Times: *Saturday Vigil* at 6pm, *Sundays* at 9.30am & 11.40am. Weekday Mass is at 10am & during Lent also at 8.15am. *Morning Mass* is Streamed Live on *Parish YouTube Page*, via *Parish’s Website* & *Parish Facebook*, search “*Holy Cross Croy*” courtesy *Holy Cross Stream Team*.

Children’s Liturgy by Trained & PVG’d Catechists during both Sunday Morning Masses.

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.

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: 07716387645 / 07707868421 or email: holycross.croy-psc@rcag.org.uk *Policy Document* available <https://www.bcos.org.uk/InGodsImageV2/tabid/131/Default.aspx>

Hall Bookings: Maximum 125 persons. To Hire Hall email: holycrosshall.croy@rcag.org.uk (or Tuesday 6- 7pm or Friday 1- 2pm: Mobile: 07763 592716)

First Holy Communion Dates *Holy Cross Primary 4*: on Saturday 7th May & on 21st May at 10am. Materials for Parents/ Godparents: visit: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1_BSN7sTxyISAG_xuYvsfkbJFDDQ5e8vF?usp=sharing Those receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to attend Mass with their uniform/ dresses/ outfits on the immediate Sunday following so that other parishioners visibly may join in the celebrations.

Congratulations to the P4s from *St Andrew's Primary* who recently received their *First Holy Communion*: Joey Forrester, Calli Hoey, Rachel Keenan, Nikodem Kozak, Isla McConnell, Connor McKay, Jessica McNamee, Sophia Robertson, Layton Sheridan, Aaron Smith. May you be amongst the best parishioners this parish has ever known! ...and well done to the all Staff, in particular: HT Mrs Fiddler & DHT Mrs Tracy and the excellent dedication of (*Class Teacher*) Mrs Feeney!

Piety Stall has many Gift Items for *First Holy Communion*.

Finance THIS weekend, *Good Shepherd Sunday*, the *Special Collection* will be for *Ecclesiastical Students' Fund*. The *Easter Quarterly* is now due, please place in *Quarterly Box* in *Porch Area*.

Re-decorating inside of the Church Building At the recent *Fabric & Finance Committee* (& with permission from the Archdiocesan Authorities) it was agreed to accept one of the 3 requested Quotes. The Firm was recommended by Parish Priests who have made use of them. *Mr Brendan Lochrie* has been made *Artistic Consultant*.

The work itself will begin on 22nd May and will continue Monday- Saturday for the following 3 or 4 weeks, the Church will be closed and Daily Mass will be in the *Parish Hall*. *Sunday Masses & Vigil* will be in the *Church Building* (using part the building & Decorating Ladders etc present). Special Arrangements have been made regarding *Ascension Thursday*. In the event of a Funeral, *St Patrick's*, *Kilsyth* and *Our Lady & St Helen's*, *Condorrat* have kindly agreed to offer hospitality. However, a Bereaved Family may prefer the *Funeral Mass* to be held in the Church Building (using half the building & Decorating Ladders etc present) or indeed the *Parish Hall* (with limited numbers).

Tea & Toast on Tuesdays has returned, immediately after 10am Mass in Hall.

Care of Creation In Preparation for *Laudato Si Week 22 - 29 May*, initiative platform is aimed at families; parishes & dioceses; schools & universities; hospitals; workers, businesses & farms; organizations, groups & movements; religious orders, visit: <https://www.laudatosi.va/en.html>

Noah's Ark



Good Shepherd Sunday is this weekend. At Mass this weekend the *Chalice* which is being used belonged to *Fr Peter Clinton* (deceased member of *Archdiocese of Glasgow*, brought up in this parish- at *Auchenstarry*). There will be a *Holy Hour* to pray for *Vocations to the Diaconate, to the Priesthood and to the Religious Life* at 5pm. The *Holy Hour* will include *Rosary, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction*. You may simply wish to "pop in" for a little while (as a family?) and leave.



Walk for Vocations to the *Diaconate, to the Priesthood and to the Religious Life*. Leaving here on afternoon of Sunday, 26th June to reach *Carmel Monastery, Waterside, Kirkintilloch* at 4pm.

Responses to Synodal Pathways are available in the *Porch Area*. They will be presented at the *Extended Deanery Meeting* on 17th May at *St Flannan's, Kirkintilloch*.

Croy Silver Band You are invited to their free Spring Concert on Monday 9th May, 7.30- 8.30pm in *Church Building*. The *Blessed Sacrament* will be temporarily removed to the *Sacristy Safe*. This is the first concert the band has held in two years and the programme will include a variety of pieces, new and old. Admission is FREE (but there will be the opportunity to donate to the band at the end) and everyone is welcome. Facebook: <https://fb.me/e/6g7RBF3cG>

Bereavement Group meets on Tuesday 10th May at 7.30pm in *Parish Hall*.

Holy Cross Primary Parent Council is holding an *Open Meeting* on Tuesday 10th May at 6.15pm in *Parish Hall*.

Scottish Child Payment from *Social Security Scotland* is worth £80 every four weeks for each eligible child aged under 6. For children aged between 6 and 16, you may be eligible for a bridging payment. You can apply if you live in Scotland whether you are in work or not. You may be eligible if you are the parent or carer of the child and get certain benefits or tax credits. Visit: <https://www.povertyalliance.org/scottish-child-payment/>

International Fair Trade Day on Saturday 14 May. Visit <https://www.scottishfairtradeforum.org.uk/world-fair-trade-day-2022-fair-trade-scotland/>

Bring flowers of the rarest, bring blossoms the fairest,
from garden and woodland and hillside and dale;
our full hearts are swelling, our glad voices telling
the praise of the loveliest flower of the vale!
O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today! Queen of the Angels & Queen of the May.
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Their lady they name thee, their mistress proclaim thee,
Ah, grant that thy children on earth be as true, as long as the bowers
are radiant with flowers, as long as the azure shall keep its bright hue