

## Intimations

Your charitable prayers are requested for...

**Priestly Ordination** Rev Douglas Green is to be ordained priest at *St Andrew's Cathedral*, Glasgow on Thursday at 7pm. He was a Holy Seminarian at the *Pontifical Beda College* with our "own" Fr Frank McKendry. You are welcome to attend.

**Sick:** Dorothy Starkey, Mary (*born Owens*) McCormack, Catherine Curry, Jim Curry, Eileen Reilly [*Aviemore*], Helen Watson, Nicky Lamb, Jean Robertson, May Bowman [*Alness*], Jim Ringrose, Brian Hughes, Elizabeth Lynagh, Mark Costello, Vincent Trama, Susan McGuire, Alan Starkey, Ella Harkins, Rev Sr Jeanette Ward, Mary Taggart, Danny McLaughlin, Adam Johnston, Elizabeth "Betty" McCann, Walter Schmidt, Elijah & Orlaith Jones (*Twin Babies*), Owen Higney, Alison Ogilvie

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

**Recently Dead:** HM Queen Elizabeth II, Michael Griffin [*Croy*], Tom Morrison [*Kilsyth* formerly *Croy*], Theresa Hunter, Luciana Sadri, Mrs Linda Coghill [*Co. Armagh*], Jim Hughes and Tricia Wilson [brother & sister; *Glasgow*], David Celino [*Manchester*], Archie Battersbee, Olivia Pratt-Korbel, John Love, Betty Burke [*Condorrat*], Tom Moore

**Month's Mind** Lauchlan McLellan,

**Anniversaries:** William Hagan, Daniel Taggart, James Graham, Thomas & Catherine Rafferty, Irene Griffin, Eileen Forsyth, Jim Boyce, Archie Crainie, Anne ("Rants") Rafferty, Hugh & Annie Gallagher, George & Georgina Griffin, Anne, Michael & Francis Griffin, Elizabeth (Liz) Higney, Helen Clinton, Josefa Kalss, Maisie Curtis, Kaylan Curtis, Alex Donaldson, Matthew Brady, Hugh Brown (Junior), Andrew Currie, Alice Waters, Annie (Dolly) Quinn, Mrs Sadie Clinton, Charlene McHugh

In the Good Company of...

**Feast days** Monday: *The Most Holy Name of Mary, St Ailbe*; Tuesday: *St John Chrysostom*; Wednesday: *The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*; Thursday: *Our Lady of Sorrows*; Friday: *St Ninian, St Cornelius and St Cyprian*; Saturday: *St Robert Bellarmine*; (Sunday: *Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time [C]*)

**Relics of St Bernadette Soubirous** will be at *Carfin Grotto* on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September- Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> October. If YOU would like to help organise a Bus to this on one of the days, please see Fr Sullivan asap



# Holy Cross Croy


## Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time [C]

10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> September 2022

*Ex 32: 7-11,13-14; Ps 50 "I will leave this place and go to my father"; 1Tim 1: 11-17; Lk 15: 1-32*

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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** 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 sanitise hands & to wear a mask/ visor; *Holy Communion* on the tongue better at the very end of the *Communion Procession*. A "fogger machine" will still be in use and windows opened regularly. An area at the front on the *Sacred Heart* side is reserved for extra space.

**Day Visits:** Church Building open early morning till early evening, but do not cross the cords.

**Holy Mass:** *Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sundays at 9.30am & 11.40am*. Weekday Mass is at 10am. *First Morning Mass* is Streamed Live (unless otherwise advertised) 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 Sunday Morning Masses- term-time.

**Baptisms** Normally Sundays at 12.45pm (see Fr Sullivan)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession:** on Saturdays 10.30am- 11am and 6.40- 7pm at (airy) *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.

**Holy Rosary** Monday- Saturday around 9.30am (earlier when there is 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: 07716387645 / 07707868421 or email: [holycross.croy-psc@rcag.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto:holycrosshall.croy@rcag.org.uk) (or Tuesday 6- 7pm or Friday 1- 2pm: Mobile: 07763 592716)

**SPRED** This weekend (10<sup>th</sup> / 11<sup>th</sup> Sept) Special Collection is in aid of the work of SPRED with children & adults who have a learning disability. SPRED is most grateful for your past generosity through the pandemic. SPRED also needs more people to join groups to ensure that everyone who needs SPRED's support can receive it. Can your help? Open evening on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> Sept. in the SPRED Centre, 20 Robroyston Road, G33 1EQ or on Zoom on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Sept, at 7pm. Call 0141 770 5055 or email [glasgow.spred@btconnect.com](mailto:glasgow.spred@btconnect.com) for Zoom link or to book your place.

**Relic of the True Cross** The parish has a fragment from the wood of the *Holy Cross (ex Ligno sanctissimae Crucis D. N. Jesu Christi)* found by *St Helen* (around 327AD). The piece we have was certified by the Holy See on 17<sup>th</sup> Sept 1929. The Relic was presented to the Parish by *Rev A McSparran* with a request to pray for the donor. will be available for *Veneration* after 10am Mass on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September, the *Feast of the Triumph of the Cross* and at the end of all Masses next weekend. If you wish to touch it you must use sanitised hands or disposable gloves (provided). Happily *Holy Cross Primary* will be celebrating our joint feast day at 10am Mass on Wednesday.

**Novena to Our Lady of Sorrows** has begun & will continue until her Feast on 15<sup>th</sup> Sept. It will be recited at the end of Mass and/ or privately. All welcome to join Pilgrimage to the Shrine to *Our Lady* at Nethercroy (towards the Canal) at 4pm next Sunday (18<sup>th</sup> September).

**Pope Francis** writes: “*Listen to the voice of creation*” is the theme of this year’s *Season of Creation*.

It concludes on 4<sup>th</sup> October (Feast of *Saint Francis*). It is a special time for all Christians to pray and work together to care for creation. COP 26 revisited: “walk” to *Sharm el Sheik* & COP 27. On the weekend 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> October, Parishioners will be encouraged, if appropriate, to walk or cycle to Mass that weekend. On Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October there will be a walk from Boathouse to Twechar & Return. Through *Laudato Si’* and *GoogleGo*, for every 1 km walked, a tree will be planted.

**Altar Servers Training** Saturdays at 10.30am or half-an-hour before any Main Mass (Vigil, 9.30am & 11.40am) this weekend. Primary 5 up

**Statistic of the Week** Regarding a recent “*Unofficial Mass Census*,” the figures indicate that there were 62% of the numbers at the pre-covid “*Official Mass Census*” (in November 2018). We take this opportunity to remember those of us who remain cautious regarding attending *Sunday Mass*. Some of us may prefer to begin with a quieter weekday Mass (barring a *Funeral*).



**Sign up Sunday** is this weekend - a kind of Freshers week (-end) after COVID near the *Parish Feast Day*. All Groups and Associations may well have a “Welcome Table” for the end of the Vigil & Sunday Masses 10<sup>th</sup> / 11<sup>th</sup> September at Upper Car Park and/ or in Parish Hall (dependent on weather). We take this opportunity to congratulate ALL who support this parish with their time and financial resources.



**Bereavement Group** meets on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Sept at 7.30pm in *Parish Hall*. New volunteers welcome. This is NOT a professional service. The *Bereavement Team* do offer a card/ with or without a visit at the *Month's Mind*. They also assist at the *Masses for the Dead of the Past Year* and the annual visit to *Eastfield Cemetery* in November. They may help source details of professional/ trained help (eg Counselling, CRUSE etc... but offering such assistance is NOT the task of the *Bereavement Group*).

**Pilgrimage** at the Shrine to *Our Lady* at *NetherCroy* next Sunday (18<sup>th</sup> September) at 4pm. *Holy Rosary* & Prayers included. We take this opportunity to congratulate those who maintain the Shrine so beautifully, especially *James & Cathy McCann*. Nor do we forget the kind co- operation of the Forestry Commission (on whose land it lies).

**Men's Acoustic Night** in aid of *Strathcarron Hospice* on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. The Acoustic Night hall in August raised £530 for *Mary's Meals*. Well done those who are willing and able to support these initiatives.

**Bethlehem House of Bread** (Cumbernauld) has sent a letter of thanks regarding the financial support this parish has sent via the good offices of our SVDP. January- July 2022 they received £700. The letter is available for perusal in the Porch Area. This parish also supports one in Kilsyth and one at a Parish of Glasgow.

**Recent Peace Pledges** made from *Holy Cross*, *Croy* Letters to Ambassador to Ukraine and Ambassador to Russia with a copy to *Pope Francis* have been sent. A copy of the same is available for perusal in the Porch Area.

“**That would be an ecumenical matter...**” *The Church of the Holy Name* in Cumbernauld, is celebrating 60 years. We take this opportunity to congratulate them and assure them of our prayers of gratitude and our best wishes for the next 60! If you would like to represent this parish at their Diamond Celebrations on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at midday, please see Fr Joe or the *Parish Ecumenical Officer* (Mrs J Hughes) asap.

**Kidz Disco** Apologies for the Cancellation of the *Feast Day Disco* for those at Primary School. We were overwhelmed by numbers and the children's safety is paramount. However those who organised it and were prepared to run it need to be thanked: the Music by *ACDJ* (Aaron Clinton DJ), *Parish Volunteers* and not forgetting the *Caritas Award* volunteers from both *St Maurice's* and *Our Lady's High*. “*They also serve who only stand and wait.*”

**Quote of the Week** “*Sorry to hear the disco has been cancelled, the... will be disappointed. Thanks for all your efforts though in trying to arrange it, it's much appreciated.*”