

## Intimations

Christ the Redeemer by his life, passion, death and resurrection, has freed both Bryce Grant McLaughlin and Lois Isabella Burns from Original Sin and bestowed on them Abundant Baptismal Blessings. "Jesus began his preaching with the message, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand'." [cf Matt 4: 18]

Your charitable prayers are requested for...

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Anne Marie Reynolds, John Millikan [*Sandyhills*], Moira Aitken, Eileen Reilly, Dorothy Starkey, Alan Starkey, Linda Fraser

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

**Recently Dead:** Rose (born O'Donnell) Storrie [*Balornock*], Rev Fr Isaac Achi [*Minna Diocese, Nigeria*], Margaret (born Kavanagh) Melia, Ann (born Higgins) McGrath, John Hannigan [*Cranhill*], Betty Lavery [*Wellhouse*], Thomas Bradshaw, Benny Lappin, Christine Doherty [*Derry*], Grace Lafferty, Billy Foley [*Cumbernauld*], Tony Docherty [*Rutherglen*]

**2 Months' Mind** Jim McLaren

**6 Months' Mind** Marion Lee Nash

**9 Months' Mind** John Carberry

**Anniversaries:** Helen (born Shaw) McGarry, Harry McGarry, Mary Scullion, Tony Weldon, John Fitzsimmons, Nora Kelly, Hugh Clinton, Margaret Johnstone, John Leach, John Hamill, Phil Pelosi [10<sup>th</sup>], Susan (born McCarthy) McGhee, Joe Weldon, Lynne Weldon, David Quail, Arthur McKell, Cathie Carberry, Rev Fr John McLaren, Gerald Grimley [3rd], Mary Waters Curtis, Junior Waters

In the Good Company of...

**Feast days** Monday: *St Aidan*; Tuesday: *St John Bosco*; Wednesday: *St Brigid*; Thursday: *Presentation of the Lord*; Friday: *St Blaise (with blessing of throats)*, *St Ansgar (Oscar)*; Saturday: *St Gilbert*; (Sunday: *Fifth Week in Ordinary Time [A]*)



# Holy Cross Croy

## Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time [A]

28<sup>th</sup> / 29<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Zeph 2:3, 3:12-13; Ps 145 "How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven"; 1Cor 1: 26-31;  
Mtt 5: 1- 12

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**Clergy:** Rev Fr Joseph Sullivan PVG Scheme renewed September 2022

**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); 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 *Procession*. A "fogger machine" will still be in use and windows opened regularly.

**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 *Parish Priest*)

**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 (barring a funeral).

**Weddings:** Normally contact *Parish Priest* at least 6 months beforehand

**Holy Rosary** Monday- Saturday around 9.30am (earlier when there is a funeral)

**Bulletins & LARGE PRINT** Bulletins: on-line; either *Parish Website* or *Facebook* or *Twitter Pages*; also available in *Porch Area* & at *Door of Chapel House*.

**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)

**Welcome** to Fr Billy Harrison (Salvatorian Missionary from Coatbridge) who will be covering Pastoral Affairs this week. *Emergency Telephone: 07927614427*

**The Peace Candle** has been placed at the *Altar Rails*. The Candle may well be lit during each Mass for the month of January. The *(Blessed) Wreath of Peace* rests at the *Shrine to the Fallen*.

**Special Collection** this weekend (28/ 29<sup>th</sup> January) for *Assisted Parishes*.

**Blessing of Throats** will be on Friday, *St Blaise*, at the end of 10am Mass (barring a *Funeral*).

**Deanery Mission Appeal** *Mill Hill Missionaries* will be here on weekend, 11<sup>th</sup> / 12<sup>th</sup> February.

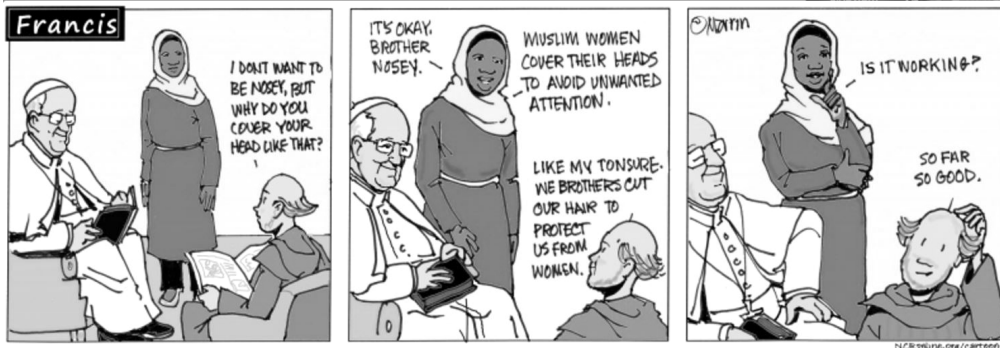
**Newman Association** *The Synod: Reflections on the National Synthesis* by Rev Fr Dr Thomas Magill, Parish Hall, *Immaculate Conception Church*, 2049 Maryhill Road, Glasgow, G20 0AA at 7.30pm on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February. Non-members: admission contribution £3 - includes refreshments.

**Warm Welcome** for those who wish, the *Committee Room* in the *Parish Hall* will be open 7- 9pm Tuesday to Thursday evenings inclusive... on some evenings, there will be the offer of a hot drink. Well done to all the Groups & Individuals who make this Initiative possible.

**Rachel's Vineyard Retreat** for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held north of Glasgow on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February. This confidential, supportive retreat is powerful for anyone who has been affected by their own or someone else's abortion experience. For more info please call/text Sr Andrea on 07816 942824 or email at [sisterandrea@rachelsvineyard.org.uk](mailto:sisterandrea@rachelsvineyard.org.uk). For more details, see [www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk)

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**Statistic of the Week** The *Parish Twitter Account* QUADRUPLED the number of "Followers." We have gone from 2 Followers to 8 Followers. Awesome!



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**World Day for Consecrated Life** is on Thursday. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the *consecrated life*, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by *Jesus Christ* and continue to respond generously to God's gift of their vocation: *poverty, chastity and obedience...* and for some also *stability*.

**Bereavement Group** meets on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 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*.

**Funeral Liturgy** Given the advice about a *Family Bible* (from last week's *Sunday of the Word of God*), parishioners may like to consider using the *Family Bible* (and/or a *Family Crucifix*) at a *Funeral Liturgy...* or indeed a *Family Book of the Gospels*.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** there are two *PVG'd persons* assisting (at the 9.30am & 11.40am Masses). We therefore require a few more volunteers either to assist as a *Leader* or assist as a "Spare" (for emergencies etc). See one of the Team or Fr Sullivan. We take this opportunity to congratulate and thank those who faithfully organise & run this fine Initiative. The *Children's Leaflet LOOK* is also available each weekend... ask a Pass-keeper.

**Justice & Peace Group** meets on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm in *Parish Hall*. Agenda includes *Fairtrade Fortnight* and the *Assisted Dying Bill*.

**SCIAF Quiz Night** *Date for your Diary* Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February in *Parish Hall*.

**World Youth Day** Youth Office are leading a pilgrimage which will take place in Lisbon this summer, 30<sup>th</sup> July - 8<sup>th</sup> August 2023. *World Youth Day* is a joyful, exciting, and transformative time where young Catholics gather from across the world to explore their faith with the Pope! It is open to 16 - 35-year-olds. The (subsidised) pilgrim cost is £750. The deadline to register is Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> Feb! Info Pack: [www.tinyurl.com/rcaginfopack](http://www.tinyurl.com/rcaginfopack) If you have any questions or would like to have a chat about the pilgrimage, or anything else youth related, then please do get in touch and we can arrange a call. If YOU would like to represent the parish and be subsidised see Fr Sullivan asap.

**FORMED Monthly Youth Group (S1 – S6)** – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb, 5.30-7.30pm Ran by the *Youth Office* for those in S1 - S6, FORMED provides young people the opportunity to meet and explore their faith in relationship with Jesus, the Church and one another through engaging activities, inspiring teachings, beautiful times of prayer and small groups with their peers! To find out more and to register your young person go to [www.rcagoyouth.co.uk](http://www.rcagoyouth.co.uk)

**Young Adult 'Rise Up' Event (16 – 35)** – Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> Feb, 7-8.30pm A monthly gathering of young adults to explore the theme for World Youth Day 2023. Includes teaching, activity, discussion, pizza and prayer. Takes place in Youth Office, for address and more details, check out the website: [www.rcagoyouth.co.uk](http://www.rcagoyouth.co.uk)