

## Intimations

Christ the Redeemer by his life, passion, death and resurrection, and by the Grace of this Sacrament has freed Lorelei Margaret Jude Stobo from Original Sin and bestowed on her Abundant Baptismal Blessings. "And eternal life is this: to know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent" (cf Jn 17:3)

Your charitable prayers are requested for...

**Sick:** Anne Marie Reynolds, John Millikan, Eileen Reilly, Dorothy Starkey, Linda Fraser, Maureen McLaren, Ronnie MacKinnon, Mary Starkey [Birmingham], Mae Crainie, Kathleen Curry, Jim Curry

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

**Recently Dead:** Rev Fr Gerald Hicks *ofm cone*, Rev Fr Henry Parkinson [Rcptn: *Saint Michael's*, Dumbarton, Thursday 6.30 pm; Funeral Mass: Friday 12noon], Mary MacLure [Kirkintilloch], Kathleen (born McCann) McAteer [Kilsyth], Aileen Knighton [Cumbernauld], Denis McGoldrick [Airdrie], May McCambridge [former Teacher *St Helen's PS, Condorrat*], Maureen Dougherty, Theresa Docherty [Coatbridge], John McGlynn [Donegal], Anne Armstrong [Slamannan], Baby Cassie McLean [Condorrat]

**6 Months' Mind** Jim McLaren, Len Byrne      **Special Remembrance** Helen Taggart

**Anniversaries:** Patrick Armstrong, Anne Greig (1<sup>st</sup>), Mick Christie, Terry Sweeney, Jimmy Reilly (1<sup>st</sup>), Carol Barnes, Janet Shaw, John Morrison (senior), Mary Waters, John McCarter, Bill & Elizabeth Stobo, Charles & Sarah Boyle, Gerry Waters, Andrew ("Andy") Keel, Margaret Mellon, Charles Gribbin, John McLaren

In the Good Company of...

**Feast days** Monday: *Mary, Mother of the Church, Pope St Paul VI, St Daganus*; Tuesday: *St Joan of Arc, St Zdzisława of Lemberk*; Wednesday: *Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Pope Francis* has asked for *Prayers* for the *Universal Synod* on Wednesday. *Bishop Brian McGee* will lead a *Service of Prayer* at *Carfin Grotto* at 7pm. We will have *Special Prayers* here at *10am Mass*; Thursday: *St Justin*; Friday: *Sts Marcellinus & Peter*; Saturday: *Sts Charles Lwanga & Companions, St Kevin*; (Sunday: *The Most Holy Trinity [A]*);

**Bring flowers** of the rarest, bring blossoms the fairest, from garden and woodland & hillside & 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.*  
*O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today, Queen of the Angels & Queen of the May.*

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



# Holy Cross Croy

*Pentecost Sunday [A]*

27<sup>th</sup> / 28<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Acts 2: 1-11; Ps 103: "Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth";  
1Cor 12: 3-7,12-13; Jn 20: 19- 23

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we are a Fairtrade Parish & a Laudato Si' registered Parish

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

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

**Holy Mass:** *Saturday Vigil* at 6pm, *Sundays* at 9.30am & 11.40am.

Weekday Mass at 10am which is (normally) 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 PVG'd Catechists during Sunday Morning Masses- term-time.

**Baptisms** Normally Sundays at 12.45pm (see *Parish Priest* after whichever *Sunday Mass* attended)  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession:** on Saturdays 10.30am- 11am and 6.40- 7pm at (airy) *Wheelchair Access Door of Church Building*.

**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 funeral).

**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>

**Finance** For those who are able (without putting their own security at risk), could you consider a payment, automatically through your bank, or directly from your electronic banking to the parish account? Select the scheme your bank has for you to be in control. Please Contact the parish for Parish Bank Account details then YOU can set this up. To Donate "on-line" please visit [https://www.mygivinghub.com/detailed/donate?charity\\_id=1086401&type=2&hidden\\_amount=&amount=&reference=RCAG181](https://www.mygivinghub.com/detailed/donate?charity_id=1086401&type=2&hidden_amount=&amount=&reference=RCAG181)

**Hall Bookings:** 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

**Walk for Vocations** to the Diaconate, to the Priesthood and to the Religious Life. Leaving here at 12.45pm on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> June to reach Carmelite Monastery, Waterside, Kirkintilloch at 4pm.

**Blessing of the Graves** at Kilsyth Cemetery on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June at 3pm. Names of those whose interment took place this past year (from local RC Parishes) may well be read out... to be certain simply speak to Fr Deeley (pp St Patrick's, Kilsyth) beforehand.

**Communications Sunday** last weekend *Special Collection* = £400.

**Holy Cross SVDP** write: "Many thanks to the 'Mini Vinnies' of St Andrew's Primary School & Mrs Frobisher for their effort & hard work fundraising for SVDP Charity. We appreciate the generous donation given to SVDP Charity- this contribution will help support families in need. God Bless!"

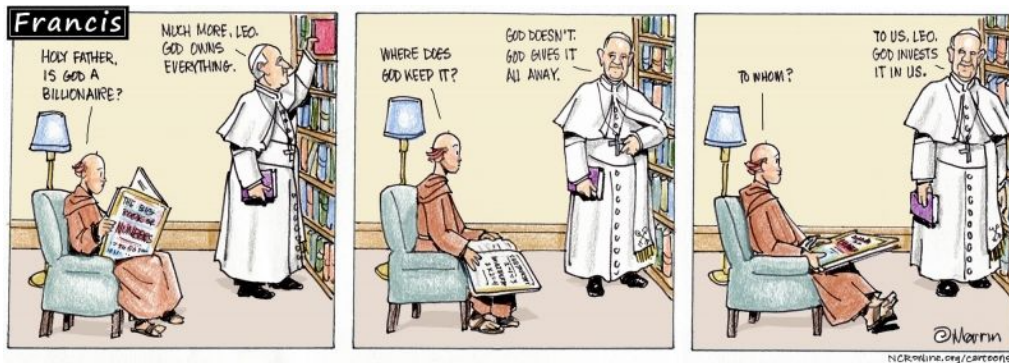
**Day for Life- Change Bishops of Scotland**, have moved the annual *Day for Life* to the third Sunday of June. This year, the *Day for Life* will be celebrated on 18<sup>th</sup> June. A special *Pro-Life collection* will be taken up then.

**Many Thanks** to the *Anonymous Donor* who donated Flowers at the Sacred Heart Altar on the occasion of her 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Well done!

**Hard Words to Hear:** During his recent visit to Hungary, Pope Francis was asked by a Jesuit, how it was possible to follow Jesus' commandment to love enemies when the enemy was a sexual abuser.

"How do we approach, how do we talk to the abusers for whom we feel disgust? Yes, they too are children of God. But how can you love them? It's a powerful question... The abuser is to be condemned, indeed, but as a brother," Francis said, calling it "a form of loving the enemy", although he acknowledged that such an attitude was difficult to live out because of the effect abusers have on people's lives. "The abuser is an enemy. Each of us feels this because we empathise with the suffering of the abused... even talking to the abuser involves revulsion; it's not easy. But they are God's children too. They deserve punishment, but they also deserve pastoral care," he said.

**Quote of the Week** (from visiting *Health & Safety* sent by Archdiocese) "The Grounds are really lovely here" then (on entering the Church Building) "(gasp)...this is fantastic."



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**Nine Days** from *Ascension Thursday* until *Pentecost* is the original *Novena*. You may wish to recite/ sing a Hymn to the *Holy Spirit* each day

"**The Chosen**" is an historical drama television series about the life & ministry of *Jesus of Nazareth*. Primarily set in *Judaea & Galilee* in the First Century, the series centres on Jesus & the different people who met & followed him. A number of parishioners have asked that we show this at parish level and have (set) Discussion Questions together afterwards. This parish will offer this for the 4 Tuesdays of June at either 11am or 7.30pm or 10.30pm (*Nicodemus Group*) meeting in the Hall. Access the Pilot episode: <https://www.angel.com/watch/the-chosen/episode/61faa5b1-e037-4d92-b69d-e63919a5c3b7/season-1/episode-9/the-shepherd> On *Pentecost Sunday* there will be a "announced" Invitation at Masses. We hope to have a Group for teens.



"**Seeking safety after torture**": how one Scottish charity helps survivors: a presentation by Dr Dorothy Sullivan on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm in Parish Hall. Dr Dorothy volunteers with the charity *Freedom from Torture*.

**Justice & Peace Group** meets on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 8pm in Parish Hall.

¿**Thinking about becoming a Roman Catholic?** *RCIA Group* will meet on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm in the *Chapel House*. If you know of someone who is thinking about becoming an RC, bring this notice to their attention (& join them?). Those Christians from a different Denomination may well wish to join so as to be in *Full Communion with the Catholic Church* (allowing a person to receive *Holy Communion* normally). If this doesn't suit, then contact Chapel House (or any member of *RCIA Team*) and other mutually-agreed arrangements will be made.

**Corpus Christi Procession** this year will be held on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 4pm and *Bishop Joseph Toal* (of *Diocese of Motherwell*) has kindly agreed to preside. The *First Holy Communicants* will have pride of place but remember that the *Procession* is an opportunity for the whole Parish to show its love for *Jesus* in the *Holy Eucharist*. The *Tea & Toasters* have kindly agreed to offer simple hospitality in the Hall afterwards.

"**40**" **Hours Adoration** Begins on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June. Procession at 4pm with *Bishop Toal*. *Plenary Indulgence* available all during *40 Hours*. *Holy Hour* Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm: led by (our very own) *Fr Frank McKendry*. On Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> June at (earlier time of) 6.30pm *Rev Deacon Thomas Thompson* (from *St Andrew's Bearsden*) will lead the *Holy Hour*.

**P4 Celebration Disco** for the *First Holy Communicants & P4 Classmates*, on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June, 6.30-8pm in the *Parish Hall*. Tuck available. Supervisors will have the relevant PVG Documentation. *Permission/ Attendance Form* requires to be completed.

**Croy Community Choir** is holding a *Rehearsal Workshop* this Tuesday at 7.30pm in Hall. This Invitation is for EVERYONE with an interest in music, so come along & find out more. *Fun Night Guaranteed!*

**Parish Family Initiative** meets on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm in Committee Room of *Parish Hall*. This is a newly-forming Group; it would encourage (especially young) families. Its work basically involves encouragement to families to be the "building block" of society (and NOT a "stick to wield"). If YOU would like to assist, please simply "turn up."