

Intimations

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, Ewan Buckley [Co Kerry], James Gibson, Rev Sr Jeanette SND, Liz Hansford

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

Recently Dead: Ann Louise McFarland, Mark Liam Campbell [Moodiesburn], Joseph McTaggart [Westfield], Jim McGrory

Month's Mind: Mary Madu [Mother of Father Michael- at Sacred Heart, Cumbernauld], Jim Keen, Margaret (born Clark) Briggs

3 Months Mind: Billy Gilmour

9 Months Mind: Pat McCann

Anniversaries: Peter Waters, James Shaw, Margaret- Reid Christie, Edward McBride, Timothy Buckley, Jimmy Hadnum, Danny O'Neill, Cathie Rafferty, Jim Canavan, Pude & Hugh O'Brien, Nan (Mellon) Kerr, Bill O'Neill, Winifred McDonald, Sarah McCallum, Sarah Anne Eddlemon, Helen Geoghan, Sharon Healy, Alice Hagan, Baby Jane Nelson, Mary (Nelson) Nash, John Cardle, Margaret (Bolan) Shaw, Mary Currie Brady, Mary Cullen, Rose Conway, Margaret Weldon, Mary Devine, John Morrison (Jnr), Maisie Ried, John Campbell, Annie McNelis, Daniel Taggart, Charles Shaw

Special Intentions

In the Good Company of...

Feast days Monday: *St Kenelm*; Wednesday: *St John Plessington*; Thursday: *St Apollinaris, St Thorlak (of Iceland), St Elijah*; Friday: *St Lawrence of Brindisi*; Saturday: *St Mary Magdalene*; (Sunday: *Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time [A]* and *World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly*)



Holy Cross Croy

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time [A]

15th/16th July 2023

1s: 55:10-11; Ps 64: "Some seed fell into rich soil and produced its crop"; Rom 8: 18-23; Mtt 13:1-23

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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
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

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

Well done to Fr Billy Harrison (*Salvatorian* from Coatbridge) and Fr Javier Alvarado who guided the Pastoral– Liturgical work of the parish while Fr Joe was on Annual Leave, and well done those who keep the Parish “ticking over” including the Chapel House “House-sitter.”

Canon Harry McKay is to retire as parish priest after over 35 years of service to the catholic community in *South Carbrain* and the surrounding areas. (Fr. McGrath will take over at the end of July)... more information to follow regarding Canon McKay’s official send-off... Meanwhile the parishioners of St. Joseph’s wish to thank Canon Harry for all his love & care throughout the years and continue to keep him in their prayers for a long & happy retirement. T Costello Secretary (PPC).

Warm Welcome in the *Parish Hall* suspended until after the Summer (unless chilly weather occurs meantime). *North Lanarkshire Council* supplied *Free Period Products* remain available.

Sea Sunday Stella Maris (*Apostleship of the Sea*). Recent Collection = £300. “Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. You can donate directly by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting ‘SEA’ to 70460 to donate £5.

Tea & Toast on Tuesdays The “staff” are having a couple of weeks off so there will be no T&T this coming Tuesday and on the following Tuesday, 18th & 25th. Apologies for any inconvenience. (We take this opportunity to THANK those who make this fine Initiative possible... well done!)

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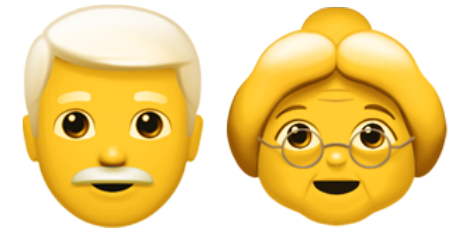
Statistic of the Week The parish *YouTube Channel* last month had 8 New Subscribers, 2,825 Views and 20,400 Minutes watched. (Fr Harrison & Fr Javier will also be looking for a bigger Dressing Room now!)



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World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

is next Sunday (23rd July)-fourth Sunday of July and near the Feast of *St Joachim & Anne* (Parents of *Mary*). The Theme is “*His mercy is from age to age*” (Lk 1:50). This choice was intended to connect with the *World Youth Day* in Lisbon (1- 6 August), to place young and old “in dialogue”, as the Pope has always desired. “*Mary arose and went with haste*”, taken from Luke’s Gospel. “*His mercy from age to age*” is taken from Luke’s Gospel and is the end of the first part of the *Magnificat*, when *Mary* immediately goes to meet her elderly cousin *Elizabeth* after the Angel’s annunciation. Thus, it is a theme that highlights the importance of dialogue between generations, which is fundamental for perceiving and contemplating God’s merciful action on behalf of human beings. Indeed, dialogue between the elderly and the young helps to obtain a more complete vision of the way in which a more humane and fraternal society can be built (from the Vatican *Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life*). Pastoral tools are available on the website www.amorislaetitia.va



“The *Plenary Indulgence* on this same day may be gained by the faithful who devote adequate time to actually or virtually visiting their elderly brothers and sisters in need or in difficulty (such as the sick, the abandoned, the disabled and other similar cases).” *Plenary Indulgence* may also be granted to those who are unable to leave their homes for serious reasons and “unite themselves spiritually to the sacred functions of the *World Day*, offering to the *Merciful God* their prayers, pains or sufferings of their lives, especially during the transmission, through the means of television and radio, but also through the new means of social communication.” The *Plenary Indulgence* will be granted under the usual conditions: sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer, according to the intentions of the *Supreme Pontiff*.

Please do not get “in a fankle” regarding *Indulgences*; for example a *Gospel Indulgence* is granted to all who “*bearing the heat & burdens of the day, raise their hearts to God in humble trust with some reverent invocation.*”

Provost’s Citizenship Awards 2023 recognises the tireless and valuable work carried out by individuals and groups within their own communities. Nominations are currently being sought for recipients who have shown any of the following: Significant contribution to the local community; Involvement in a lead role in a significant initiative which has brought about positive change and added value to community life; Inspiring qualities as a role model for the community; Outstanding achievement in their field; Contribution to enterprise/employment within North Lanarkshire; Demonstrated leadership on a community issue resulting in the development and regeneration of an area or enhancement of community life. Please complete your nomination form: https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=O5WPqRjWQ0uKZQOCaBvSg_0xShWNKp1ErayyeEIX401UNkxMRkRXQjlUQzhTNk5GQ0ZSNBTJTDdGVCQIQCN0PWcu

Royal Society of Edinburgh invites: The *Antonine Wall* was a fortification built by the Romans across the Central Belt of Scotland, spanning around 39 miles long; construction beginning in 142 AD & taking about 12 years. Join Professor Breeze to learn about the project that made it a *World Heritage Site*. When: 18th July at 12.30pm, free and on-line <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/what-world-heritage-sites-can-do-for-you-tickets-635330529717?aff=FBonline>