

## Intimations

*Banns of Marriage* are called for the first time between *John Neil- Rice* and *Emma Somers*. If anyone knows any reason why this couple should *not* be joined in *Holy Marriage*, you should contact *parish priest* as soon as possible.

*Your charitable prayers are requested for...*

**Sick:** A new list has begun. If YOU would like someone's name in the Bulletin, please contact the person for their explicit permission (or if unconscious, the person's next-of-kin). Jim Beattie, Paul McGarr, Dorothy Starkey, Mary Starkey [*Birmingham*], Rev Sr Jeanette SND,

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

**Recently Dead:** James "Jim" Clark [*Croy*; *Receive:* Friday 31 August at 6.30pm; *Funeral Mass:* Saturday 1 September, at 10am; *Funeral Mass* will be live-streamed, courtesy *Holy Cross Stream Team*], Fiona Hobson [*Falkirk*], Jim McParland [*Kirkintilloch*], Donald Ferguson, Scott Allison, Marcus Dick, Helen Boyle [*Moodiesburn*], Cathie Crainie [*Kilsyth, formerly Croy*], Willie McCrory [*Clydebank*]

**9 Months' Mind** Jim McLaren, Robert Rae

**Anniversaries:** Margaret McCarroll, Catherine McAtee, Hugh & Annie Gallagher, Tim McMahon, Helen McMahon, Tim McMahon (*Junior*), John McMahon, James McDonald, Edward Brady, Mary Dennington, Tommy Dennington, Rosemary Anderson, Helen Archibald, Helen McLaren Mulhearn, Craig Friel, Anne "Rants" Rafferty, Hugh Haggerty

*In the Good Company of...*

**Feast days** Monday: *St Augustine*; Tuesday: *Beheading of St John the Baptist*; Wednesday: *St Margaret (born Middleton) Clitherow, St Fiacre*; Thursday: *St Aidan*; Friday: *St Giles*; Saturday: *Blessed André Gasset*; (Sunday: *Twenty- second Sunday in Ordinary Time [A]*)



# Holy Cross Croy

*Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time [A]*

*26/ 27 August 2023*

*Is 22: 19-23; Ps 137: "Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands";  
Rom 11: 33-36; Mtt 16: 13-20*

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"Holy Cross Croy" on *YouTube, Facebook & X (Twitter)*,  
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 12.35pm (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)  
Contributions can also be 'gift-aided' so that we can reclaim the tax from the Government. Please contact the Parish for more information.

**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



**Pastoral Areas** The Archbishop expects each & every Parish to work more closely with others nearby. This topic will be on the Agenda of the next *PPC*.

**Venerable Margaret Sinclair National Pilgrimage** on Sunday 17 September. Opens at 2pm and *Holy Mass* at 4.30pm, at *St Patrick's*, Cowgate, Edinburgh; visit [www.margaretsinclair.scot](http://www.margaretsinclair.scot)

**Season Of Creation 2023** “*Let justice flow like a mighty river*” (cf. Amos 5: 24). Ecumenical phase begins (1 September)- *World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation*, and concludes (4 October)- feast of *Saint Francis of Assisi*. This is a Special time for all Christians to pray and work together to care for our common home.

Visit <https://seasonofcreation.org/2023/05/25/message-of-pope-francis-for-creation-day-2023/>

**Assisted Parishes** *Special Collection* last weekend = £420

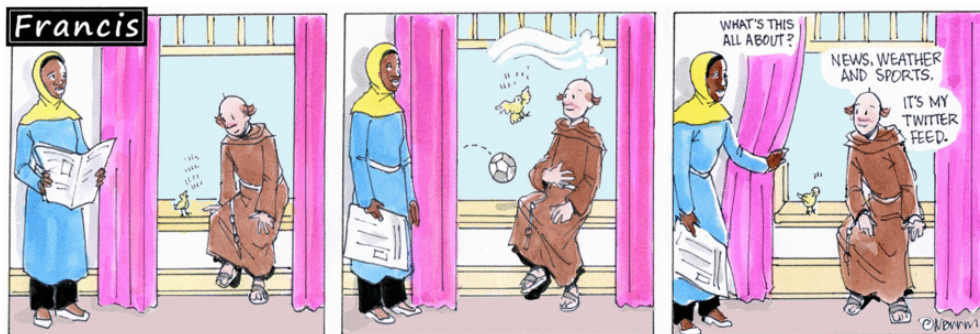
**Glasgow's Ahmadiyya Community** has invited by Fr Joe to take part in a peace event (on Sunday 27 August) at the *Baitur Rahman Mosque*. Fr. Joe has been asked to give the Christian perspective on “Eternal Peace”. The *Ahmadiyya community* supports interfaith peace. (Organiser) *Abdul Abid* is a member of the *Glasgow Mosque* and has previously taken part in our annual peace event at *Holy Cross* on 1 January 2017. If YOU would like to join Fr Sullivan please see him asap.

**Music Group** at 9.30am Mass returns this weekend. We take this opportunity to congratulate them... *St Cecilia* would be proud!

**Children's Liturgy** will return at both Sunday Morning Masses, NEXT Sunday (3 September). *Children's Liturgy* “Worksheets” are available in Porch area... please uplift. We take this opportunity to congratulate the *Children Liturgy Leaders*... well done!

**Warm Welcome** in the Committee Room of the *Parish Hall*: Monday- Thursday Evenings. On some evenings hot drink will also be available. We take this opportunity congratulate those who make this possible. *North Lanarkshire Council*- supplied *Free Period Products* remain available.

**Back- Handed Compliment** During the Financial Year 2022- 23 the Archdiocese calculated our *Levy & National Contingency Fund* Contribution as £41,974... this year, 2023-24, we are expected to pay £65,320. This requested Amount will be discussed at the next *Fabric & Finance Meeting*.



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**QR Code for each Parish** from the Archdiocese: Scan the adjacent *QR code* with your phone to make a donation. If you are a UK taxpayer you can also *Gift Aid* your donation and we will be able to claim an extra 25p for every £1 you donate. There is a Card Reader in Porch Area and other ways to donate on front page of Bulletin.



**Parish Pilgrimage** to *Holy Land* and/ or *Rome* and/ or *Lourdes* and/ or *Lough Derg* and/ or *Knock* and/ or *Iona* in 2024. All interested please attend a Meeting to gauge interest on Monday, 28 August at 7.30pm in *Parish Hall*.

**Parish Pastoral Council** meets on Monday 11 September at 7pm in *Parish Hall*. Proposed Items for the *Agenda* to *Chapel House* by next weekend (3 Sept).

**Kidz Disco** Friday 15 September to mark the *Parish Feast* in the *Parish Hall*. Primary 7 at 6.30-8pm; Free Entry. Music by *ACDJ* (Aaron Clinton DJ) *Tuck Shop* available. *PVG'd Supervisors*. *Permission Sheet* (available from either Primary Schools or the Chapel House.) must be completed by Parent/ Guardian.

**Holy Cross Ladies Guild** has begun on Thursdays at 7.15pm in *Parish Hall*. New members will be made especially welcome.

**Altar Server Training** (P5 upwards) These two Saturdays, beginning 26 August at 10.30am (barring a Funeral). Fr Sullivan has visited the P5s at both schools to invite them personally.

¿**Thinking about becoming an RC?** meets on Tuesdays at 7.30pm in the *Chapel House*

**St Joseph's Cumbernauld** Parishioners are marking the Retirement of *Fr Harry McKay* on Wednesday 6 September at 7pm with *Holy Mass*. All welcome to attend

**Threat to Peaceful Protest** The *Abortion Services (Safe Access Zones) Bill*, tabled by Gillian MacKay MSP, is a direct attack on civil rights guaranteed by the European Convention on Human Rights. It also removes a lifeline for women who want to keep their baby but feel they have no other choice than abortion. It will be illegal "to influence or persuade a person concerning their access to or employment in connection with abortion services". This would prevent women being offered help outside clinics. It would even prevent a family member or social worker expressing an opinion to a woman about her abortion. Please contact your MSPs now.

To help you do this, visit <https://www.spuc.org.uk/nobufferzonesScotland>, which enables you to write to all eight of your MSPs at once. The tool brings up an example template letter – please edit this to explain in your own words why your MSPs should vote against buffer zones.

**Mariapolis Weekend** inspired by *Focolare Movement* on Saturday 2 / Sunday 3 September will take place at *St Francis Xavier's Hall*, Hope Street, Falkirk. The *Mariapolis* offers something for everyone of every age & from every walk of life. Time to get to know one another, time for spiritual reflection & time for relaxation. Further info: *Veronica Slaven*: 07989 348513; see poster.

**Kilsyth and Villages (including Croy) Community Board** Consultation with young people to find out their views about what it's like to be a young person here & what is important to young people. Visit short online questionnaire: <https://forms.office.com/e/hKTWs4T5yp>