

## Intimations

*Banns of Marriage* are called for the second time between *Anthony Slaven* and *Juliette Carson*. If anyone knows any reason why this couple should *not* be joined in *Holy Marriage*, they should contact *parish priest* as soon as possible.

*Your charitable prayers are requested for...*

**Sick:** Paul McGarr, Dorothy Starkey, Mary Starkey [*Birmingham*], Rev Sr Jeanette SND, Sammy Waters, Eileen Reilly [*Inverness*], Gabriella Carlomagno, Lawrie Cordiner, Margaret Hackett

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

**Recently Dead:** Peter Gray [*Condorrat* formerly *Croy*], Claire Rooney [*Coatbridge*], Robert Main [*East Kilbride*], Jim Dalton [*Saltcoats, Ayrshire*], Kathleen Lyons [Mother of *Fr John Lyons*], Fred Stone [formerly *St Maurice's*]

**Month's Mind** Charlie Gribbin, James Daily

**6 Months' Mind** Ann (*born Carberry*) Meechan, Margaret Turner

**9 Months' Mind** Marc Egan

**Special Remembrance** Jessie Daily

**Anniversaries:** Rev Sr Mary Roberta (Rena McLaren), James "Forrie" Forsyth, Frank Caffrey, Betty Rooney, Hugh & Agnes & Cissie Brown, James Nash, Denis Mellon, Samuel Cassidy, Michelle Taggart, Paul Waters, Margaret Maxwell, Michael Waters, John Mulholland, Hugh Lang, Elizabeth Clinton, Margie McGuire, Iride Kane, Hilda McLaren (20), Hugh Griffin, Pat Taggart, Anne & Jimmy Forbes, Peggy O'Brien, Margaret O'Brien, Cathy Myles, Nancy & Tommy Slaven

*In the Good Company of...*

**Feast days** Monday: *St Marcellus, St Thøger*; Tuesday: *St Alphonso Rodriguez*; Wednesday: *All Saints*; Thursday: *Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day)*; Friday: *St Martin de Porres, St Winefride, St Malachy*; Saturday: *St Charles Borromeo*; (Sunday: *Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time [A]*)



# Holy Cross Croy

*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time [A]*

28/ 29 October 2023

*Ex 22: 20-26; Ps 17: "I love you, Lord, my strength"; 1Thess 1: 5-10; Mt 22: 34-40*

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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) or Scan the QR code with your phone to make a donation. 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)

**Enrolment for the Sacraments** of *First Reconciliation/ Confession* (in 2024) and *First Holy Communion* (in 2025) will take place at all Masses this weekend: Saturday Vigil & Sunday (29/ 30 October). *Holy Cross Primary* and *St Andrew's Primary* are providing *Enrolment Forms*, which should be completed & brought along (spares in *Sacristy*).

**Mission Month** The *Comboni Missionaries* will be selling their *2024 Calendars* after *Masses* this weekend (28/ 29 October). Fr Javier may well be the *Celebrant*.

**October Devotions** conclude on Monday at 7pm.

“**The Chosen**” We take this opportunity to congratulate those who organised and ran this fine Initiative. Well done! Given the positive response then we plan to offer the next Episodes in Spring

**Friends of Blairs** meet for *Annual Mass* in our Church Building next Saturday (4 November) at 12 noon. They will gather afterwards in *Parish Hall*. All friends of *Blairs* will be made very welcome. *Blairs College* was a *RC Seminary* near Aberdeen which trained young Scots towards Priesthood for centuries but alas, is now closed. Many still wish to keep the fond memory alive.

**World Mission Sunday** raised £1,200. Copies of *Mission Magazine* for each household in Porch Area or visit [www.missionscotland.com](http://www.missionscotland.com)

**Annual Mass- Attendance Census** is on 4/5 November. *Archdiocese of Glasgow* is going through a process of reviewing *Parishes/ Pastoral Areas*- trying to discern which *Parishes* should be kept/ amalgamated/ suppressed. Decisions being made are (partly) based on this *Annual Census*.

**Strathcarron Hospice** *Charity Night* raised = £2,275. Well done those who organised & ran it, those who support it so faithfully and special thanks for all those who donated Raffle Prizes.

**Statistic of the Week** an average of recent 5 (non- funeral) Weekday Masses on *Holy Cross Facebook Page* had 882 “reach.” The average of the past three Sundays = 1,298. Well done all who make this possible. They can’t all be tuning in to hear Fr Joe’s jokes, surely? Don’t call me “*Surely*.”

**Warm Welcome** in Committee Room of the *Parish Hall*: Monday- Thursday Evenings. Some evenings hot drink available. *North Lanarkshire Council*- supplied *Free Period Products* available.



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**Solemnity of All Saints** is on Wednesday, 1 Nov. It is a *Holyday of Obligation*. Holy Mass will be at 7pm on Tuesday and on Wednesday at 10am and at 7pm. *Holy Cross Primary* will be present and helping to animate 10am Mass. There will also be *Holy Mass* at for those at *St Andrew's Primary*. *St Maurice's* and *Our Lady's High*.



**Month of the Holy Souls** *November Lists* are available in *Porch Area*. Please complete & return. A *Plenary Indulgence* for the *Souls in Purgatory* is available from Midday, 1 November to Midnight, on 2 November in any Church, in addition for visiting a *Cemetery* and praying for those buried there, from 1- 8 November. Mass on *All Souls Day* (Thursday, 2 November) will be at 10am and at 7pm.

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.*”

**Visit to Eastfield Cemetery** with *Blessing of the Graves* on Sunday 5 November at 3pm. Agreement courtesy *North Lanarkshire Council Cemeteries Office*, the *Toilets should be open*. This Initiative is organised by *Holy Cross Bereavement Group*.

**Prison Through- care** Rev *Deacon Kenny McGeachie* will be speaking on this topic on Monday, 6 November at 7pm in the *Parish Hall*. All welcome. A couple of years ago, *Pope Francis* speaking to *Prison Chaplains* said: “*Thinking about this is good for me: when I have the same weaknesses, Why did they fall and I didn't? This is a mystery that makes me pray and draws me to prisoners.*”

**Justice & Peace Group** Meets on Monday, 6 November at 8pm in the *Parish Hall*. All welcome.

**Parish Pilgrimage Rome & Assisi** Monday 8 July - Monday 15 July 2024 half-Board for 7 nights; If 20- 24 pilgrims Cost = £1074 plus flight but if 38- 40 people then Cost = £973 plus flight (and respective variations in- between). Booking Form from Fr Sullivan/ *Chapel House/ Sacristy* this weekend or email request to *Chancellor*; must be returned to *Alba Tours* by Thursday 9 November with non-refundable Deposit of £300. If there are not 20 Pilgrims on that date, then the Pilgrimage will be cancelled and the Deposit WILL be refunded; hence it’s better to take out Insurance only AFTER the Pilgrimage has been confirmed (on 9 November).

**Remembrance Sunday** on Sunday, 12 November after 11.40am Mass the *Service of Remembrance* at the *Shrine to the Fallen* will be held (uploaded later courtesy of *Holy Cross Stream Team*). Fr *Donald Cumming* (former *Army Chaplain*) will celebrate *Holy Mass* at 11.40am & lead the *Service* outside. *Croy Silver Band* has, as usual, kindly arranged the poignant “*Last Post*.” *Poppies* are available (for a donation) in Porch area. *Chalice & Paten* to be used on *Remembrance Sunday* was made for the *Air Ministry* during 1939- 45 War- on kind loan from *Mr A O'Hara*.

**Mass for the Deceased of the Past Year** on Monday 13 November at 7pm. The Names of the Deceased whose Funerals (or *Final Committal*) took place over the past year (end- September 2021 to early- October 2023) from here, will be read out & a candle lit. Everyone is invited to *Light Refreshments* in the *Parish Hall* afterwards, courtesy of *Bereavement Group* and *S6 Caritas*.

**St Aloysius' RC College** *Open Evening* on Thursday 2 November at 6pm; see poster in porch area.

¿**Thinking about becoming an RC?** Weekly Meet on Wednesdays at 7.15pm in the *Chapel House*.