

## Intimations

*Banns of Marriage* are called for the third 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, Rev Sr Jeanette SND, Sammy Waters, Eileen Reilly [*Inverness*], Gabriella Carlomagno, Lawrie Cordiner, Margaret Hackett, James “Jim” Thompson [*Spain*], Kathleen Curry, Jim Curry

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

**Recently Dead:** Catherine Hayes McNee [*Parkhead*], Danielle Walsh [*Duntocher*], James Flynn [*Bishopbriggs*], Mary Starkey [*Birmingham*]

**2 Months’ Mind** Charlie Gribbin

**9 Months’ Mind** Mary (Reynolds) McCann

**Special Remembrance** David Robertson, Anna (*born* Curran) Murphy, Kevin O’Rourke, Jean Nash

**Anniversaries:** Kathleen McGuire, Kathy Doherty, Francis Griffin, Katrina McSharry, Elizabeth & John McSharry, Cathy Cannon, Harold Cannon, Mattie Vaughan, Catherine Johnstone, Jim Thompson [30], Marianne Murray, Michael Clinton, Helen McKeown (McManus), Paul Abrami [1], Pat Rafferty, Catherine Johnstone, Mary “McKay” Bradshaw, Owen Higney (*USA* formerly *Croy*), Rose Nash, Catherine Cassidy, Thomas Shiels (*Jnr*), Robert Rae [1], Len Byrne, Moira O’Brien

**Those whose Names** are on the *November Lists*

*In the Good Company of...*

**Feast days** Monday: *St Edmund*; Tuesday: *Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary*; Wednesday: *St Cecilia*; Thursday: *St Clement I, St Columbanus*; Friday: *St Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions*; Saturday: *St Catherine of Alexandria, St Colman*; (Sunday: *Christ the King [A]*)



# Holy Cross Croy

*Thirty- third Sunday in Ordinary Time [A]*

*18/ 19 November 2023*

*Prov 31: 10-13,19-20,30-31; Ps 127: “O blessed are those who fear the Lord”; 1Thess 5: 1-6; Mt 25: 14-30*

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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

**Finance** New *Gift Aid Envelopes* are available for uplift in Porch Area. You will also have the opportunity to join the *Gift Aid Scheme*. Well done all those who are willing & able to support financially this parish!

**Scottish Interfaith Week** 12 – 19 Nov: *Celebrating Community*; <https://scottishinterfaithweek.org/> Online Colloquium “With the Living God at the Centre” led by Professor Will Storrar. at 7pm on 24 November Visit [www.interreligiousdialogue.org.uk/colloquium/](http://www.interreligiousdialogue.org.uk/colloquium/)

**Christmas Fayre** at *Holy Cross Primary* on Saturday morning 25 November.

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

**Remembrance Sunday** Well done *Fr Donald Cumming* (former *Army Chaplain*) who celebrated *Holy Mass* last week & led the *Service* outside. Congratulations to *Croy Silver Band* for the musical accompaniment, including at *Service* at the *Memorial to the Fallen*, especially “Last Post,” & the one who laid wreath on behalf of the parish (direct relation of *Private Patrick Killiard*- mentioned on the *Memorial*). *Holy Cross Stream Team* who recorded & then uploaded later should also be mentioned, along with Sacristan, Altar Servers, Pass- keepers, Readers & Ex Min of *Holy Communion*.

**Croy Silver Band Concert** Saturday 2 Dec at 7.30pm in Hall. Tickets= £5 from Band- members

**Mass for the Deceased** whose Funerals (or *Final Committal*) took place over the past year (late-Sept 2022 to end- Sept 2023) from here. Well done *HC Bereavement Group* who arranged everything with other helpers from *St Maurice's & Our Lady's High S6 Caritas* for *Light Refreshments* in the *Parish Hall* afterwards. Congratulations Mr J Curtis & Mrs J Tullan MacDonald who led the music & singing. *Holy Cross Stream Team Sound Engineers* should also be mentioned, along with Sacristan, Altar Servers, Pass- keepers, Reader and Extraordinary Ministers of *Holy Communion*.

**World Youth Day** next Sunday (*Christ the King*- 26 Nov): “*Rejoicing in hope*” (cf. Rom 12:12) *An Audience With (16 – 35 year olds)*: Various guest speakers sharing about their journey with God in Turnbull Hall on Sat 25 Nov, 2-5pm. Visit: [www.rcagyouth.co.uk](http://www.rcagyouth.co.uk) *Advent Holy Hour* with Archb Nolan preparing for Christmas. Mince pies & mulled wine. 7 –8pm, Mon 11 Dec in Cathedral.

**Warm Welcome/ Heat Hub** for those who wish, the *Committee Room* in the *Parish Hall* will be open 7- 9pm Monday to Thursday evening inclusive; on occasion a hot beverage will be available.



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**World Day of the Poor** as initiated by Pope Francis- Sunday, 19 Nov. Theme this year is: “*Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor*” (Tobit 4:7) Visit <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/poveri/documents/20230613-messaggio-vii-giornatamondiale-poveri-2023.html>



**Rosaries for Prisoners** plastic or wooden Rosaries preferred, place in Box in Porch Area. These will be blessed here and then distributed by *RC Prison Chaplains*. *Prisoners' Week* is held Sunday 19- 25 November. Theme “*A Strength for the Journey*” visit: <http://www.prisonersweek.org.uk/home>

**Parish Pastoral Council** meets on Monday 27 November at 7pm in *Parish Hall*. Proposed Items for the *Agenda to Chapel House* by this weekend (19 Nov).

**Catholic Education Sunday** (25/ 26 November); In particular, we pray for the Staff & Pupils at *Holy Cross & St Andrew's Primaries* and at *St Maurice's & Our Lady's High Schools*. There will be a *Special Collection* for *Catholic Education* and *Offertory Procession & Bidding Prayers* with Pupils in uniform: Vigil- *Holy Cross Primary*; 9.30am- *St Maurice's High*; Sunday 11.40am- *St Andrew's Primary*. Theme “*Pilgrims of Faith*” Visit: <https://sces.org.uk/catholic-education-week/>

**Month of the Holy Souls** *November Lists* are available in *Porch Area*. Please complete & return.

**Parish Pilgrimage Rome & Assisi** in July 2024 there were far too few people making the commitment. *Alba Tours* will be in touch to return the Deposits. Apologies for any disappointment.

**Bereavement Group** meets Tuesday 21 Nov at 7.30pm in *Chapel House*. New members welcome.

**Christmas Presents** for those financially less well- off. Please either label “boy aged 6” or “girl/ boy aged over 10...” etc or leave unwrapped. In Porch Area by Sunday 3 December.

**Cumbernauld Centre Crib** *Cumbernauld Churches & Congregations* will have “*Blessing of Prayer at*” Ceremony on Saturday 2 Dec at 12 noon, courtesy *The Centre Cumbernauld Authorities*.

**Prisoners of Conscience** “*Making Christmas Cards/ Greetings Cards*” Monday 20 Nov at 7pm in the *Parish Hall*. *Justice & Peace Group* will invite you to send a (Christmas) Card to a *Prisoner of Conscience* who has NOT advocated violence but is being held. The Materials come from *Action of Christians Against Torture...* on Sat/ Sun 2/ 3 December Volunteers (*Caritas* or otherwise) welcome.

**#RedWednesday** on Wednesday 22 November will honour all Christians who suffer and die for their faithfulness to Christ's message of peace and love. **#RedWednesday** will shine a light on the persecution of Christians but also highlight the injustices perpetrated against other faith groups.

**Bishops' Conference of Scotland** “is both disappointed and confused at the decision by the Scottish Government to delete all reference to Catholic schools in its “*Guidance on the Delivery of Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood (RSHP) Education in Scottish Schools*” document. We strongly request the re-insertion of the paragraphs relating to Denominational Education from the previous iteration of the guidance, which would reflect both the legal protection for schools with a Religious Character, and the previously supportive position of Scottish Government for Catholic schools.” Please respond before this Thursday Visit <https://consult.gov.scot/learning-directorate/teaching-guidance-for-relationships-sexual-health/consultation/subpage.2022-08-19.3065252880/>