

Intimations

Christ the Redeemer by his life, passion, death and resurrection, has freed both Kai Michael McCluskey and Edward Junior McGillvray from Original Sin and bestowed on them abundant Baptismal Blessings. "...baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ" [cf. 1Pet 3: 21].

Your charitable prayers are requested for...

Sick: Francis McGuire, Des Harley [Hamilton], Eileen Reilly, Dorothy Starkey, Gabriella Carlomagno, Helen ("Lena") McKenna, Sammy Waters, Mary Thompson (New list has begun. If YOU would like someone's name mention then CHECK with the person (if unconscious, then next-of-kin) & hand in to Chapel House before Thursday evening.

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

Recently Dead: Maureen (born Gribben) Caw [Balloch- Eastfield], John "Ian" Wilson [Craigmarloch; Funeral Service at Cumbernauld Co- Op Parlour at 12 Noon; Burial thereafter at Eastfield Cemetery], Peter McKeown [Manchester], Roger Johnston [Port Glasgow], Mrs Sheila Strachan (mother of Father Alex), Gerry O'Donovan [Cork], Rev Sr Josephine McGuigan CSA, Margaret Leary Barrie [Cumbernauld formerly Croy], Ruth Binnie [Kilsyth], Stuart Wilson, David Finn [Cumbernauld]

Month's Mind Margaret Grant,

2 Months' Mind Lewis Walker

Special Remembrance Paddy Lafferty, Maggie Lafferty, John Fitzsimmons

Anniversaries: Kathleen (Rafferty) Macdonald, Mary Waters, James Kelly, Peter MacArthur, Paddy Lafferty, Maggie Lafferty, May Kos, Agnes Hart, Agnes Massie, Madge & Chris Duffy, Mrs Maggie Paterson, Mr & Mrs Charlie Csombo, Mr James Csombo, Margaret Boland, John Carrick, James McLaren, Mary (Malone) Morrison, Alistair Glenday, Anne & John Bolan, Alice Burns, Betty Taggart, Mrs Isabella (Dailly) Friel, Mrs Mary (Martin) Dillon, Mrs Mary (Brownlow) Currie, Alice Burns, Rose & Hugh Dempsey, John Meechan, Baby Tyler Farrell [10th], Catherine Caffrey

In the Good Company of...

Feast days Monday: *St Alexander of Alexandria*; Tuesday: *St Gregory of Narek*; Wednesday: *St Oswald*; Friday: *St David*; Saturday: *St Katharine Drexel, St Vignali*; (Sunday: *Third Sunday of Lent [B]*)



Holy Cross Croy

Second Sunday of Lent [B]

24/ 25 February 2024

Gen 22: 1-2,9-13,15-18; Ps 115 "I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living"; Rom 8: 31- 34;
Mk 9: 2-10

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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 12.35pm (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 a funeral).

Holy Rosary Monday- Saturday around 9.30am (but earlier when there is a funeral)

Bulletins & LARGE PRINT Bulletins: on-line; either Parish Website or Facebook or X(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), please 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. 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 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 (or Tuesday 6- 7pm or Friday 1-2pm: Mobile: 07763 592716

Lenten Season extra Mass at 8.15am Readings by Pupils of *Holy Cross Primary*. St Andrew's Primary has their own weekly Mass at 9.15am on Mondays. *St Maurice's High* has a lunchtime Mass most weekdays. On Fridays *Our Lady's High* has a Friday morning Mass.

Way of the Cross A *Plenary Indulgence* is available to all who devoutly make the *Stations of the Cross*: here on Tuesdays at 7pm (except 12 March) then Fridays and Saturdays (for young people) after 10am Mass (barring a Funeral). *Sick / Housebound / Prisoners* can gain the same *Indulgence*, if they spend 30 mins in pious reading & meditation on the Passion & Death of *our Lord Jesus Christ*.

Finance During Lent the *Second Collection* will be taken up for *Sick & Retired Clergy* (except *Fourth Sunday of Lent- SCIAF*). We do not forget those who support the parish in non-financial ways

"The Chosen" returns on Monday evenings 11 and 25 March. Perhaps two episodes on each of those evenings OR two episodes before Easter and two after Easter. For Tuesday *Tea & Toast group* we will run episodes 1-4 from Tuesday 5 March until Tuesday 26 March (barring a funeral purvey). FYI "The Chosen" is an historical drama television series about the life & ministry of Jesus of Nazareth. It will be shown in Parish Hall & there will be the opportunity for discussion, & light refreshments. Access the Pilot episode: <https://www.angel.com/watch/the-chosen/episode/61faa5b1-e037-4d92-b69d-e63919a5c3b7/season-1/episode-9/the-shepherd>

The Wednesday Word The Sunday coming's Gospel is offered to read and prayed over. Copies of this week's "*The Wednesday Word*" are available from Porch Area.... you may wish to use. Visit <http://www.wednesdayword.org/>

Ask your MP to support the *abortion time limit reduction amendment* from 24 weeks to 22 weeks. Research indicates that a significant number of babies born at 22 or 23 weeks can now survive outside the womb. Collect a postcard today from Porch Area & post it to your MP. *Pope Francis* on *World Day of the Sick* warned us: "It then becomes a throwaway culture, in which persons are no longer seen as a paramount value to be cared for and respected, especially when they are *poor* or *disabled*, 'not yet useful' – like the *unborn*, or 'no longer needed' – like the *elderly*."

Warm Welcome in the *Committee Room* in the *Parish Hall* Monday- Thursday evenings. Well done Groups & individuals who kindly offer hospitality on certain evenings.

Retraction of the week Instead of that which *Fr Sullivan* claimed last week, there are *NINE Choirs of Angels*: Seraphim, Cherubim, Thrones, Dominions, Virtues, Powers, Archangels, Principalities, Angels

Statistic of the Week There were less than 100 people at the *Stations of the Cross* followed by Prayers to *St Archangel Michael* on Tuesday evening... can we increase THIS Tuesday?

 ? *How can angels fly ?*

...because they take themselves lightly !

Statue of St Michael the Archangel is visiting the parish until Wednesday, 28 February. It will be available for veneration during the Day. Useful material may be found at the Altar Rails/ Porch Area or here: <https://www.thestmichaeltour.org/> This Tuesday evening, after the *Stations of the Cross* there will be Prayers to *St Michael the Archangel* including *The Chaplet* and *Litany of St Michael the Archangel*

Act of Consecration to Saint Michael the Archangel: "Saint Michael the Archangel, I consecrate to you my soul and body. I choose you as my patron and protector. Be my strength and the guardian in my life. Assist me by your powerful intercession so that I may imitate your courage and loyalty to God, that trusting in your kind help and protection, I may be victorious over the enemies of my soul and be united with God in heaven forever and ever."

Parish Pastoral Council Monday 26 Feb at 7pm in *Chapel House*. Agenda includes: *Evangelising* in Greater Cumbernauld; Meeting of PPCs of *Pastoral Area* on Monday 18 March; Catholic Parish Summit (12- 14 June); *Pastoral Disasters II*; *The Wednesday Word*; Hall Matters; Sacramental Preparation; Further along *Synodality Way*,

P7 Confirmation (*Holy Cross Primary*) meeting for Parents & Godparents/ Sponsors on Tuesday, 5 March in the Parish Hall at 6.30pm. Enrolment Masses will be the weekend 9/ 10 March. Parish Preparation will be that Sunday plus 16/ 17 and 23/ 24 March immediately after Mass. The actual Sacrament will be held on Tuesday 16 April.

First Confession/ Reconciliation for Primary 3- for *St Andrew's Primary*: Tuesday 12 March. Other clergy will be assisting Fr Joe. *P3 Parents & Godparents* will find the following material useful <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1zKKn-nPIXzbcBOO2Fy1B93TIsz44MJcu?usp=sharing>

Justice & Peace Group meets Monday 4 March at 7pm in *Parish Hall*. Items include *Season of Creation*; *Conflict Zones*; *Hiroshima*

Annual Parish SCIAF Quiz Date for your diary Friday, 15 March. All welcome. Ticket = £6. *Be there or be square*.

Croy Community Choir Annual *St Patrick's Concert* on Saturday 16 March in *Parish Hall*. Ticket = £5 (from member of choir). "If music is the food of life, then it's second helpings for me!"

Life and Legacy: The Jesuit Martyrs in El Salvador A talk by *Prof Stephen McKinney*, Parish Hall, *Immaculate Conception Church*, 2049 Maryhill Road, Glasgow, G20 0AA at 7.30pm on Thursday 7 March. All welcome. Refreshments provided.

Lourdes Nurses Calling all *Registered Nurses & Experienced Carers*... *Our Lady* invites you to join the *Glasgow Archdiocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes* 12 - 19 July 2024. Without your help & experience we are limited in the number of Sick Pilgrims we can assist in *Lourdes* For more information contact C O'Donnell... 07708490826. This Parish will assist in funding if so required.

