The Catholic Parish of St. Patrick's

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time 31st October 2021

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31st Sunday	
6pm	Vigil Mass
8:30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
11.30am	Holy Mass
Monday - All Saints	
8.30am	**Exposition**
9.30am	**Holy Mass**
7pm	**Holy Mass**
Tuesday - All Souls	
8.30am	**Exposition**
9.30am	**Holy Mass**
7pm	**Holy Mass**
Wednesday - St. Martin de Porres	
6pm	Expo & Confession
7pm	Holy Mass
Thursday - St. Charles Borromeo	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
Friday - First Friday	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
Saturday – First Saturday	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
10-10.30am	Confessions
5.30-5.50pm	Confessions
6pm	Vigil Mass
Rosary 20 minutes before weekday and Vigil Masses.	

Prayers are requested for all our sick, elderly, and housebound.

Your Cash Gift to God and His Church
Last weekend's cash offertory donations £871 and World Mission £837 Once again, many thanks for your ongoing generosity.

Monday 1ST November All Saints Day
Mass as usual at 9:30am and extra Mass at 7pm.

Tuesday 2nd November All Souls Day
We remember in a special way our loved ones who have passed away from this life, and especially those who have died in the past twelve months. Mass will be at 9.30am and an extra at 7pm.

Please note the church will be open every day from 8.30am until close at the earlier time of 4.30pm during the winter months.

October Devotions thank you to all those who attended these devotions through October to spend time adoring the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and asking the intercession of Our Lady for our many needs and petitions.

November Talks This year there will be three talks on Monday 8, 15 and 22 November from 7 to 8:15pm. The theme this year will be the Eucharist. It will be an opportunity to watch a presentation on the importance and the meaning of the Eucharist, especially an in-depth reflection on the Mass. Please try and keep this evening free and come along.

We pray for the repose of the soul of Edward Healy. He will be received into church on Monday at 6pm and Requiem on Tuesday at 9.30am.

Knock Shrine Holy Water is available from the back of the church. Please help yourself.

November Lists blank lists are available in the display unit at the back of the church. Please complete and pop in the box provided.

White Flower Appeal this Weekend
There will be the annual White Flower Appeal to assist the Society Protection of the Unborn Child (SPUC) in their work of promoting the dignity of life from natural conception until natural death.

Rite of Enrolment for those children who are preparing for First Holy Communion and Confirmation next year, takes place at all Masses this weekend.

Church Grounds A big thank you to the four people who look after the gardens and grounds since spring.

Bible Alive November Edition is available at from display unit at back of church.

LAST CHANCE to sign up for the Post Vigil Supper this Saturday 6th Nov is going to be a chip shop night. Please add choice of supper on the list at the back of the chapel. Please note only one name per line. Tea and coffee will be provided, feel free to bring your own bottle. Remember it's always good to see new faces and everyone is more than welcome we might even have a wee sing song.

Parish Diary
Sun 10.30am - Tea / coffee in hall
Mon 10.30am - Tea / coffee in hall
11am - Men's Group
2 - 4pm - Women's Guild
7:30pm - Social Comm Meeting
Wed 12-2pm - Welcome Group
Thu 6.30pm - Youth Group
Sat 10-11am-Altar Servers Meeting
7pm - Post Vigil Supper

Parish Draw Winners for July are:

Week 9		Week 10	
£300	J. Mooney 2109	S. Crossan 1250	
£100	C. Whyte 1033	B. McKnight 1271	
£50	D. Kerr 1501	C. Murphy 1414	

Week 11		Week 12	
£300	Fr. Tracey 1080	J. Murphy 1497	
£100	M. Morrison 1550	I. Beaton 1500	
£50	P. Canavan 1248	P. Connolly 1888	

Diploma Reflection Day at Gillis on Saturday 13th Nov is open to all who participated in the online diploma. The minibus will leave from the Chapel house at 8.00am. To book a seat contact the parish house as soon as possible.

Lost property gold chain and cross found to claim it please go to the sacristy.

Wednesday Welcome Group has restarted on Wednesdays in the Church Hall. The group provides a 'drop-in' with soup & sandwiches, limitless tea, coffee, and biscuits along with good company, games, and the occasional outing - all for a recommended donation of £2! Our opening hours are now 12.00 – 2.00pm every Wednesday. Please feel free to come along and see what's on offer! Everyone is welcome. For any additional information please call 07528817190.

Altar Servers. There will be meetings for all present servers and any other young people who have received their First Holy Communion and would like to be a server this Saturday 6th and next Saturday 13th November from 10 to 11am.

LAST CHANCE to sign up for the Parish Workers' Party next Sunday at 4pm in the hall as a little thank you to all those who give of their time in the parish to help make the parish run smoothly and look beautiful. It is greatly appreciated.

Missio Scotland's World Mission Appeal
Thank you for responding to this appeal. Your donations and prayers will go towards supporting the work of our missionaries worldwide. Furthermore, your example, like that of our missionaries all over the world, will serve as an inspiraration to others to live out their Baptismal mission and play their part in the Universal Church. Thanks to your generosity Missio Scotland has been able to send much needed funds totalling millions down throughout the years to support a great number of projects across five continents

Irish dancing classes starting in the church hall on a Tuesday at 5.30pm. Boys and girls from age of 4. All welcome. Please contact Stewart School of Dance on 07738428168.

3rd Kilsyth Rainbow Guides have availability for girls aged 4 years. If your child would like to join, please call Anna Harkins 824051.

Wanted! Stewards to assist at the Remembrance Say Parade on Sunday 14 November. If you can help, please contact Fr Daniel as soon as possible.

Women's Guild have decided to change the time for the weekly meeting. The new time will be from 2pm to 4pm starting this Tuesday, 2nd Nov. We hope this time suits all members, new and old.

Meeting for all readers will take place on Saturday 20 November at 11am in the church hall. Can all present, past, and new readers please come along to this information meeting.

Care of Creation A handout from the Bishops' Conference of Scotland in preparation for COP26 is available in the display cabinet at the back of the church.

COP26 Guide SCIAF has produced a summary guide for COP26, the UN Climate change conference, which takes place in Glasgow from 31 October to 12 November. Find it at bit.ly/COP26Guide

Annual Archdiocesan SSVP Mass
Everyone is welcome to attend the annual Mass to mark the charitable work of the Society of St Vincent de Paul in our Archdiocese. It will be celebrated by Archbishop Cushley at St Patrick's in the Cowgate, Edinburgh, at 11am on Saturday 20 November.

Family Planning - God's & Nature's Way
the Billings Ovulation Method of Natural Fertility Regulation is 99% effective in avoiding pregnancy with no side effects. This method is also very helpful for couples having difficulty conceiving. For an information pack or details of a tutor in this area contact Fertility Care Scotland at email info@fertility care.org.uk or www.fertilitycare.org.uk

This Sunday's Sacred Scripture

First Reading Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord the God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

Second reading Hebrews 7:23-28

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, because he remains forever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent, and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

Gospel Mark 12:28-34

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him anymore.