The Catholic Parish of St. Patrick's

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 14th November 2021

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33rd Sunday	
6pm	Vigil Mass
8:30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
11.30am	Holy Mass
Monday - St. Albert the Great	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
Tuesday - St. Margaret of Scotland	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
Wednesday - St. Elizabeth of Hungary	
6pm	Expo & Confession
7pm	Holy Mass
Thursday - Requiem	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
Friday	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
Saturday - Our Lady	
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 £700 and Fabric £169. Once again, many thanks for your ongoing generosity.

Please note the church will be open every day from 8.30am until close at the earlier time of 4pm during the winter months.

Parish Piety Shop is fully stocked with Christmas cards and gift. Please support your shop.

The Men's Group and Women's Guild will not meet tomorrow, Monday, resume as normal next Monday.

Synod 2021 Parish Letter from Archbishop Cushley is available on our website or copies at the back of the church.

Concerning facts do you know that in a recent survey in America, 70% of practising Catholic's do not believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist? Did you know that we had 550 people coming to Sunday Mass pre covid and last weekend we had 310?
Do you know that when we have parish social gatherings, we have 30 to 70 people attending?
Do you know that when we have a talk on the Eucharist (which is the source and summit of our faith) last Monday, we had eighteen people turning up?
Something is not quite right with these facts! So why don't you come to the talk detailed below?

November Talks will continue tomorrow, Monday with the second talk then 22nd Nov 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 tomorrow and next Monday free and come along.

Parish Diary

Sun	10.30am	- Tea / coffee in hall
Mon	10am	- Tea / coffee in hall
	7pm	- Talk on Eucharist
	7pm	- Choir
Wed	12pm	- Welcome Group
	7pm	- Bereavement Mass
Thu	6.30pm	- Youth Group
Sat	10am	- Readers Meeting

Annual Bereavement Mass will take place on Wednesday at 7pm.

'May the angels lead her into paradise' Joan Scullion will be received into church on Wednesday at 6pm and Requiem Mass on Thursday 9.30am

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

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

Parish Pilgrimage / Trip 2022 The trip to York will take place from 12th to 16th September - 4 nights/5 days and staying at the Wheatlands Lodge Hotel. Cost £300pp sharing, includes dinner, bed and breakfast and daily outings. The single room supplement is £35. Booking forms at the back of the church for you to put your name down. We have been informed by bus company that only one mobile scooter can be put in hold. This will be a popular trip, so only those who complete the booking form, enclose a deposit of £50 and hand it in to the sacristy or parish house will be guaranteed a place.

Annual Christmas Raffle takes place this year. We are looking for the following donations as prizes: Red & White Wine; Spirits: Whisky / Vodka / Gin; Tins of Quality Biscuits; Tins of Quality Chocolates. Please hand in any donations to the Parish House or the Donations Box at the back of the Church. Thanks your generosity & support.

Christmas Raffle tickets are available at all the Masses this week and next only £1 a ticket!

Thank you to all the six parishioners who volunteered to help at the Senior Citizens Party.

Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch (over 65's) this year will be held on Sunday 5th Dec at 1pm with restricted numbers of 60 people and a cost of £5 per person.) If you would like to attend, please pay £5 to a steward, receive a ticket, and select your choice of food. Teas and coffees with be offered and feel free to bring any other refreshments.

St Patricks primary school are holding their annual Christmas Fayre on Sat 27th November, 10am to 1pm, in the church hall, to raise funds for the children. There will be a selection of different stalls to go round, entry fee will be £1.50 which includes tea/coffee and mince pies, children are free entry and will receive juice also snack.

Used Stamps for the Missions please leave them in the box provided which you will find at the back of the church.

Thank you to all those who came along to the Parish Workers Party last Sunday, it was a very enjoyable afternoon/evening!

Fundraising News
Ask yourself this question?
Do you shop online at Christmas? If the answer is YES, then you can now help to raise funds the parish. It's FREE, you shop online as normal and the Parish gets a donation every time you spend, it doesn't matter if it is a small or large purchase every penny counts. So far 66 people have helped us raise over £237.73, we thank you for your support. It is so easy to join all you need is an email address, and you are good to go. Spread the word to family and friends the more people who participate the more we raise.
https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/

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

Safeguarding The latest edition of the Safeguarding Matters magazine from the Bishops' Conference of Scotland is available at bcos.org.uk/safeguarding

The Scottish Catholic Scotland's new Catholic Magazine is available in the display unit under statue of St. Patrick. This is a new initiative and I think a very good one. Can I encourage you to purchase the magazine. It only cost £2. We currently only get 10 copies, if we need more, we will certainly request additions.

World Day of the Poor This takes place today, Sunday. Caritas, Justice and Peace Commission of the Archdiocese wish to use the Special Collection to be taken that weekend to support two projects of the Society of St Vincent de Paul: The Furniture Project based in Kingseat and the Caravan Project in Port Seton. **If you have a Gift Aid envelope, please use it.** Thank you.

Education Sunday – advance notice Next Sunday is Education Sunday, marking the start of a week when we celebrate the importance of educating children and young people in faith. To assist the archdiocese in it's very important role in forming the next generation of Catholics, there will be a special collection next weekend. If you have one, please use your Gift Aid envelope.

Education Sunday – theme for 2021
During this Catholic Education Week we are asked to reflect upon the Catholic school as a community of celebration and worship, with Jesus Christ at its centre.

Education Sunday – appeal for teachers
If you would like further information on becoming a teacher in our Catholic schools, please contact the Scottish Catholic Education Service:
mail@sces.uk.com

We cannot remain silent! It has been revealed that many public sector organisations including the Scottish government have allowed Stonewall, a prominent LGBT lobby to influence their policies. The Scottish government according to 'freedom of information' has removed the word " mother" from maternity policies after being lobbied by the group to replace "gendered terms with gender neutral terms" please see this link for further details. https://c4m.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=09b50bf032ab47d3992863a44&id=99b4b85ad7&e=48e262cb97 I, as a member of the parish Caritas Group and also as a mother and grandmother which I am proud to be so, feel this is deeply offensive. In fact it touches on prejudice and certainly is anti Catholic. How much more are we going to remain silent about? it is one thing to claim equal rights but this does not mean only for one group and ignoring the rights of all others who think differently. As a practising Catholic, I feel I have a duty to at least try to make known this injustice and fight against it . I am not happy to accept this and would urge all of us to write to Nicola Sturgeon, First Minister and Scottish MSPs expressing your concerns and offence, making it clear this is not acceptable. You can contact the First Minister and MSP's (as many as possible)to make known your thoughts at mailto:scottish.ministers@gov.scot
Anne Collins

This Sunday's Sacred Scripture

First Reading Daniel 12:1-3
'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

Second reading Hebrews 10:11-14,18
All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. He, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place forever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

Gospel Mark 13:24-32
Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'