St Patrick's Catholic Church



SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -14th JANUARY 2024

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30 - 9.25am - Exposition 9.30am - Holy Mass 11.30am - Holy Mass

Monday - Feria

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Tuesday - Feria

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Wednesday - St Anthony of Egypt

6pm - Exposition & Confess. 7pm - Holy Mass

Thursday - Feria

8.30 - 9.25am - Exposition 9.30am - Holy Mass

Friday - Feria

8.30 - 9.25am - Exposition 9.30am - Holy Mass

Saturday - St Sebastian

8.30 - 9.25am - Exposition 9.30am - Holy Mass 10-10.30am - Confessions 5-15-5.45pm - Confessions 6pm - Vigil Mass

Rosary 25 mins before Mass exc. Sun

A White Flower Appeal will be held in the parish this weekend for the Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child. This year's appeal calls for the Government to end the pills-by-post DIY abortion policy. 86% of GP's are concerned that this scheme leaves women vulnerable to coerced abortion. Please be as generous as you can to help defend unborn babies and vulnerable women by highlighting this urgent crisis.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

begins this Thursday and ends on the feast of Conversion of St Paul, **25**th **January**. We pray for the conversion of our country.

The Women's Guild returns on Monday, 22nd January. All the ladies of the parish are welcome to come along.

Your Gift to God and His Church

Fourth Sunday of Advent offertory donations, which include standing orders £1,500 and fabric £385.

<u>Christmas</u> <u>Day</u> offertory donations £1,390.

The Holy Family offertory donations, which include standing orders £1,409 and fabric £324.

<u>The Epiphany</u> offertory donations which include standing orders £1,442 and Justice & Peace £384.

<u>Crib</u> offering £368. All proceeds will be given to our Society of St Vincent de Paul.

Thank you.

Parish Events This Week

Sun 10.30am - Tea & Coffee in the hall

Mon 10am - Tea & Coffee in the hall

10.30am - Men's Group

Tue 2pm - Soup & Sandwiches

Wed 12 noon - Welcome Group

Thu 6.30pm - Youth Group

Fri 2pm - Soup & Sandwiches

Cabaret Night next Saturday, in the hall from 7pm til 11pm, featuring the group Aurora. Sign up on the list at the back of the church. Entry only £5 and please pay at the door. BYOB, some nibbles and a little money to win a raffle prize.

<u>Hall Committee Meeting</u> will take place on **Monday, 22**nd **January**. A member from each group should attend this meeting.

Congratulations to Parish Draw Winners

<u>Week 21</u> <u>Week 22</u> £300 J Docherty 1586 K McAteer 1777 £100 D Mellon 2245 R Paterson 1468 £50 W Bingham 1196 H McAdam 2211

 Week 23
 Week 24

 £300 S Clark
 1569 P Burns
 2244

 £100 M Clark
 1565 M Currie
 1017

£50 M McCabe 2161 Mulholland 1628

Dates for the Diary

January

22nd - Hall Committee Meeting 28th - Signing of the Cross - P3 29th - First Confession Parents' Meeting at 6.30pm in the hall

29th - First Holy Communion Parents' Meeting at 7.30pm in the hall

February

2nd - First Friday P3 attending Mass

5th - Confirmations Parents' Meeting at 7pm in the hall

14th - Ash Wednesday

25th - Presentation of the Creed - P7

26th - Tour of the Church - P3 at 6.30pm

Parish Trip 2024 we are organising a

5-day trip to Liverpool from Monday, 9th to 13th September. Staying at the Aloft Hotel (4*) in the city centre. The price is £440pp and supplement of £110 for single room. Booking forms are available on the table at the back of the church. We will hold a meeting in the hall on Friday 26th January at 6pm to discuss further. This is always very popular so make up your mind quickly to avoid disappointment!

Calling all Singers and Musicians!

The Archdiocesan Music Day is on Saturday, 27th January 2024 at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh. It is a free event for those who contribute to the liturgy in their parish through music or singing, as well as for anyone interested in finding out more about sacred music. If you would like to attend, then please contact chapel house and we can travel in the minibus. Register at

bit.ly/ musicday2024

St Patrick's Primary School Enrolment for August 2024 for children who attain the age of 5 years between 1st March 2024 and 28th February 2025. Bring your child's Birth Certificate, Baptismal Certificate and a Council Tax letter or a recent bill containing proof of your address. Times for enrolment:

Mon9.30 - 11.30 & 1.30 - 2.30pmTue9.30 - 11.30 & 1.30 - 4pmWed8.30 - 11.30 & 1.30 - 2.30pmThu9.30 - 11.30 & 1.30 - 4pmFri9.30 - 11.30 & 1.30 - 2.30pm

<u>Prayers</u> we remember the sick and housebound who can't make it to Mass. We also remember the many who are now lapsing from the Faith.

January Sales at the Piety Stall all Christmas stock is now half price with some very lovely Christmas items reduced for clearance - Remember it's only 346 days till Christmas! Pop in and have a look before it's all gone!

Next Baptismal Course for parents and godparents will be on Wednesday, 7th February from 7 - 8pm in the hall. Email the chapel house to book.

Monklands Hospital the Chaplain wishes to offer all Catholic patients the sacraments during their stay in hospital. To enable this, it is very important for families to inform the nursing staff of the ward so that they can let the Catholic Chaplain know. Remember, it's not like the old days when the nursing staff would get the priest if they knew the patient was a Catholic. The patient or their family must ask for the Catholic chaplain to visit on his rounds otherwise the priest will not come.

Are you planning to marry? give at least six months' notice to the parish priest. Couples are advised not to book anything until their freedom to marry and the availability of clergy and the church is confirmed.

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 more details contact Fertility Care Scotland at email:

info@fertilitycare.org.uk or www.fertilitycare.org.uk

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SACRED SCRIPTURE

[Always read through the scriptures prayerfully before Holy Mass].

Entrance Antiphon

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

First Reading 1 Samuel 3:3-10,19

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord, where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am.' Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place. The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel!' Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening. 'Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 39

R. Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God.

R. Here I am. Lord!...

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear.

You do not ask for holocaust and victim.

Instead, here am I.

R. Here I am, Lord!...

In the scroll of the book, it stands written that I should do your will.

My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart.

R. Here I am, Lord!...

Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord.

R. Here I am, Lord!...

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 6:13-20

The body is not meant for fornication: it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too. You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; do you think I can take parts of Christ's body and join them to the body of a prostitute? Never! But anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him. Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. *Alleluia!*

Gospel John 1:35-42

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' which means Teacher - 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied, so they went and saw where he lived and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour. One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' - which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' – meaning Rock.

Prayers of the Faithful Response

Lord hear us.

R. Lord graciously hear us.

Communion Antiphon

You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.