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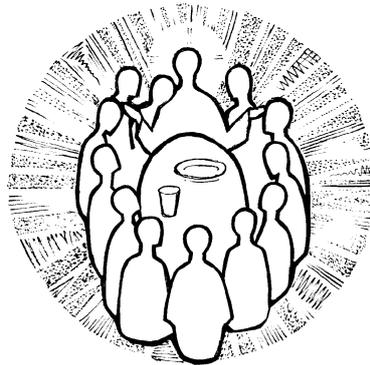
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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

3rd February 2019

Weekday Cycle - Year 1



READINGS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

First Reading - (Jeremiah 1: 4-5, 17-19) - Jeremiah was one of the greatest prophets God sent among his people. This reading tells of his call by God and of his commission as a prophet.

Responsorial Psalm - My lips will tell of your help.

Second Reading - (1 Corinthians 12: 31-13) - This contains St. Paul's great hymn in praise of love. He says that for a follower of Christ love is by far the most important virtue of all.

Gospel Reading - (Luke 4:21-30) - This tells us how Jesus shared the taste of every true prophet: he was rejected by his own people.

CALENDAR - The 3rd century virgin and martyr **St Agatha**, whose name appears in the first Eucharistic prayer, is remembered on **Tuesday**. During the persecution of the Emperor Decius she was imprisoned, mutilated, and tortured. She is the patron saint of those with breast cancer. **Wednesday** is the feast of the Japanese Martyrs, **Saint Paul Miki and his twenty-five companions** (priests, religious and laity) who were crucified by the local Shogun at Nagasaki in 1597 and canonised in 1862. On **Friday** we have the option of celebrating **St Jerome Emiliani**, a 16th-century ex-soldier who devoted his priesthood to the relief of suffering, setting up hospitals, homes for ex-prostitutes, and orphanages. Pius XI made him patron of orphans and abandoned children. On the same day we have **St Josephine Bakhita**, the saintly former slave from Sudan, who in the 19th century was brought to Italy, became Catholic, and spent a long life of sanctity in a convent.

SECOND COLLECTION FOR CHURCH BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND TODAY - This Sunday (3rd February 2019), being the first Sunday of the month, the normal second collection will be taken up at all Masses to help support our Church Building and Maintenance Fund. Please be generous towards our second collection as this greatly helps maintain our church and grounds.

FIRST CONFESSIONS - Please pray for the young people of our parish whose parents are offering them for First Reconciliation on Tuesday 12th of March 2019 from St. Charles's Primary School and Thursday 14th of March 2019 from St. Cadoc's Primary School at 7pm. Confession will also be available for family members and others.

SACRAMENTAL CANDIDATES - Parents of candidates for First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation are reminded of the importance of attending the Mass faithfully each week. The children's Liturgy at the 10am Mass forms a vital part of your child's instruction for the sacrament.

CRIB COLLECTION - The Christmas Crib collection for the work of the St Margaret Children & Family Care Society realised £352.87. Thanks for the help given to this important cause.

400 CLUB WINNER - Charlie Jones; Winning Agent: Liam McGurk

EXPOSITION AND ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for the next three Thursdays. We will resume again on Thursday 28th February 2019.

SCIAF "WEE BOXES" APPEAL 2019 - SCIAF Lenten packs are now available at the back of the Church. The 2019 SCIAF wee box tells the story of Lydia and her family who struggled to provide her five children with enough to eat. Working with its local partner, Caritas Lugazi, SCIAF provided Lydia with seeds, banana plants and lots of training. The support Lydia received changed her life. The family can now have enough to eat and have seen many changes in their lives. But Lydia's story doesn't end there. With the money she saved, Lydia was able to set up her own business as a hairdresser and provide security for her family's future.

This Lent, SCIAF is focusing their attention on the country of Uganda and the thousands of vulnerable young people, who, with your support, are being helped to work their way out of poverty. Uganda has one of the youngest and fastest growing populations in the world. It is a beautiful country with astonishing wildlife, which attracts around one million tourists every year. However, the legacy of war and a high rate of HIV and AIDS have left many orphans and a generation of young people without hope, trapped in extreme poverty.

Please make sure that you collect a 'WEE BOX' for your SCIAF Lenten donations for your family on your way out after Mass. The boxes should be handed in at the end of Lent.

ESSENTIAL ELECTRICAL APPLIANCE TESTING - Recently we had to carry out a series of works (including testing of portable electrical appliances and replacement of smoke detectors) both in the church and the presbytery required by law to ensure that all electrical equipment is in a safe condition and meets the standards of the health and safety policy. The total cost of this work came to £551.85.

THANK YOU - Thank you to Marion Steppie (a parishioner of Sacred Heart, Bellshill), our book-keeper, for her help in completing and sending the Financial Return Form for 2017-2018 to the diocese. I am also grateful to her for the amount of time she gives to help me maintain the parish books. Towards the end of March I will put out a copy of the Parish Pastoral Statement for 2017-2018 and towards the end of April I will provide a copy of the Parish Financial Statement for 2017-2018.

Besides, thank you for your enthusiasm and generous spirit demonstrated in your involvement in the life of our parish community and I look forward to your ongoing assistance in the future. May God bless our efforts and create a community of faith that is alive in Christ and full of hope for the future.

FUND RAISING NIGHT TO SUPPORT ESSENTIAL REPLACEMENT OF CARPETS IN THE PRESBYTERY - All places for the curry night fund raiser, which is to take place on Friday 22nd March 2019 in the Presbytery between 7pm and 9pm, have been sold. Thanks to those who have already booked their places for the night and thank you for your support of the parish. I (Fr. Cirilo) look forward to seeing you on Friday 22nd March 2019 in the chapel house. Any donations towards this fundraising event will be gratefully received. Also donations for the raffle prizes are most welcome. All monetary proceeds from the night will go towards reducing the cost of replacing the carpets in the Presbytery.

NOTICES FOR THE BULLETIN - Please ensure all notices for the bulletin, including anniversaries & months' mind, are handed in by Wednesday noon.

APPEAL FOR MORE ALTAR SERVERS - Thank you to all our current altar servers who week in and week out serve faithfully our parish at the altar. Thank you also to all those who have recently offered themselves to serve at the Altar of the Lord. It is both an honour and a privilege to be an Altar

Server and their service to St. Cadoc's Parish is very much appreciated. At the moment we are short of altar servers, especially for Sunday 10am Mass. My earnest appeal to the parents is to encourage your children to become altar servers. If anyone would like to become an altar server, please speak to me (Fr. Cirilo) after one of the weekend Masses.

PARISH NEWSLETTER - Please take a copy of the bulletin home to remind you of the times of services and events during the coming week, and please take a copy to anyone you know who is sick or housebound.

MASS AT ST CADOC'S

Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil Mass at 5pm; Sunday at 10am & 11.30am.

Weekday Mass: Monday to Saturday at 10am.

Holy Day of Obligation: Vigil Mass at 7pm & Morning Mass at 10am.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Every Thursday from 9am-9.45am. (Will be off for the next three Thursdays. Resumes again on Thursday 28th February 2019)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION): Anytime on request and Saturday 9.15am - 9.45am; 4.15pm - 4.45pm.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: By prior arrangement with Rev. Jose Cirilo Rodrigues.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: It is a privilege of the Priest and Eucharistic Ministers to bring the Holy Eucharist to the sick and housebound. Please inform us when a parishioner is in hospital or ill.

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE: Couples intending to marry should contact the Priest for arrange a date. By Diocesan policy, this must be done at least six months in advance.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

SICK - Canon John B. Healey, Canon Michael Walsh, Fr. Thomas Colm Morris, Anne Havron, Ann & James Hannaway.

[I also ask your prayers at Mass today for the sick - those at home in our parish community, those in hospital, and those in local nursing and care homes in Cambuslang, Halfway & Blantyre. In addition to remembering the sick and housebound at Sunday Mass, I invite you to remember them every day of the week in your prayers. Our prayers for them not only help in their suffering and pain but also reassure them that they are not forgotten by our community of faith. Our prayers help relieve their feelings of isolation and loneliness. To be remembered before the Altar of God brings them comfort and consolation.]

RECENTLY DEAD - John Aron, Jenny Dougan, Paul Leonard & Joe Daly.

ANNIVERSARIES - Dorothy Duffy & Alice Curley.

ST CADOC, PRAY FOR US

WEEKLY OFFERINGS FOR SUNDAY 27TH JANUARY 2019

Parish Collection (Gift Aid+Non-Gift Aid) = £790.32

A sincere thank you for all your contributions last weekend