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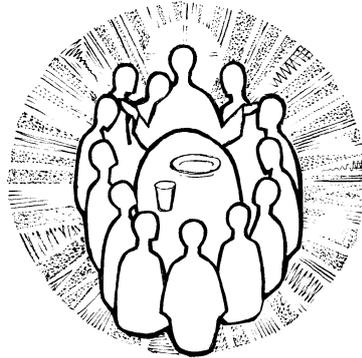
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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

8th September 2019

Weekday Cycle - Year 1



READINGS FOR THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

First Reading - (Wisdom 9:13-18) - Faced with the mysteries of the universe, the meaning of history, and the mind of God, we are ignorant. But God has not left us in our ignorance. He has given us the gift of knowledge.

Responsorial Psalm - O Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to the next.

Second Reading - (Philemon 9-10, 12-17) - Philemon was a Colossian, converted by St. Paul. His slave Onesimus ran away and somehow reached Paul in prison, where he was converted. Paul urges Philemon to take him back, not as a slave, but as a brother.

Gospel Reading - (Luke 14: 25-33) - This contains two very short parables dealing with the theme of self-renunciation or the cost of discipleship.

VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK - National Vocations Awareness Week this year takes place from 8th - 15th September 2019. During this week we pray especially for those who are considering the possibility of a vocation to priesthood, permanent diaconate, religious or consecrated life - that they may follow in our Lord's footsteps and answer His call to serve His people in ministry. We also remember those in formation who have answered the call as we pray for their perseverance and the gifts they need to minister effectively and graciously to Christ's people. The need for vocations has never been greater. Please make the effort to come to Mass during this week and increase your prayers that more young people may respond to the call of Christ.

CALENDAR - **Monday** we have the option of celebrating **St Peter Claver**, the 17th-century Jesuit who made himself 'slave of the Negro slaves' in what is now Colombia. On **Thursday** we have the option of celebrating the **Most Holy Name of Mary**. **Friday** is the memorial of one of the great preachers of the ancient world, **St. John Chrysostom (Golden Mouth)**. An Eastern contemporary of St Augustine, he gained his reputation as a preacher first at Antioch and then as Archbishop of Constantinople. He made enemies both in the ruling family and among ecclesiastics, and was forced into exile, where he died. His sermons were 'very eloquent, and lengthy, but straightforward and thoroughly practical'. The most important feast of the week is that of the **Triumph of the Cross on Saturday**. In this feast we honour the Holy Cross by which Christ redeemed the world. The discovery of the True Cross is dated to 14 September 320. On 13 September 335 the churches on Calvary were dedicated and the cross that St Helena discovered was venerated there the next day. The annual commemoration of that event has been celebrated since, in praise of the redemption won for us by Christ.

VISIT OF THE RELICS OF ST THERESA OF LISIEUX TO OUR DIOCESE - Thank you all for your prayerful participation in the Novena to St. Theresa of Lisieux, which was held from 24th - 30th August, in our church and for making the time to be part of our wonderful pilgrimage to Carfin Grotto over the past weekend as we welcomed her relics in our Diocese. Thank you also to Henry Clements for organising the bus to Carfin. May St. Theresa of Lisieux continue to intercede for all of our needs, especially those that seem most difficult or impossible.

CHURCH BUILDING FUND COLLECTION - Last Sunday's Second Collection for the support of the Church Building Fund realised £770.72. Thank you for your generous contribution.

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE ECCLESIASTICAL STUDENTS' FUND - The annual second collection for the education of future priests and permanent deacons will be taken up at all Masses next weekend 14th/15th September 2019 to help towards the costs of this essential need. We are blessed with a good number of seminarians in Motherwell diocese at present but it is expensive to prepare them for priesthood. Please consider giving generously to the special collection next weekend.

PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENTS - There will be a meeting of the parents, guardians & carers of St. Cadoc's and St. Charles' Primary Schools children who are going to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation & First Holy Communion. **This meeting will take place in St Cadoc's Church at 6.30pm on Wednesday 1st October 2019.** I ask all these parents, guardians & carers to be at this meeting.

PARISH WEBSITE - We thank Pat Moran for all his help in updating our parish website every week. Our website gets updated at every weekend and normally includes a copy of the weekly Parish Bulletin. It may be viewed at www.stcadocschurch.org.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AND ALTAR SERVERS TEA AND JUICE PARTY - On **Sunday 22nd September 2019** after 10am Mass I will be hosting a get together in the church house for all those involved in the children's liturgy and for altar servers. An open invitation is extended to all the children attending the children's liturgy and other children who may not be part of it, their parents and guardians and all those who prepare, deliver and supervise it on a weekly basis and to all our altar servers and their parents and guardians. Donation of home baking will be gratefully received. I look forward to welcoming you on that day.

PASTORAL PLANNING MEETING - Thank you to all those parishioners who joined me on Tuesday (3rd September 2019) evening for our parish meeting and for all their feedback.

FUND RAISING NIGHT TO SUPPORT ESSENTIAL WORKS TO BE CARRIED OUT IN SEPTEMBER IN THE PRESBYTERY - All places for the curry night fund raiser, which is to take place on **Friday 13th September 2019** from 7pm till 9pm in the presbytery, have been sold. I (*Fr. Cirilo*) look forward to seeing you on Friday 13th September 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 both the carpet in the meeting room and the vinyl floor covering in the kitchen plus, purchasing a new kitchen table with 4 chairs and 20 wooden chairs suitable for the meeting room.

MARY'S MEALS: RAGS TO RICHES CLOTHING COLLECTION ON SUNDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2019 - This is advance notice that St. Cadoc's will, once again, be organising a collection of unwanted clothing, curtains, bedding, etc., in aid of the charity Mary's Meals, which as you know feeds and educates some of the poorest children in the world. Apparently as little as three bags of good quality second hand clothes can generate enough money to feed a child in school for a year. **This year's collection will take place on Sunday 22nd September 2019.** So, if you want to help you can start looking through your wardrobes for those good quality clothes that no longer fit or that you haven't looked at for years and might be able to bear parting with. Please note: the van will collect textiles after the Sunday Morning Masses only. Many thanks for your support.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS - We thank all of our Altar Servers for choosing to serve God and our Saint Cadoc's Parish community. Would you like to help out with the Masses at St. Cadoc's? Would you like to become an altar server? At St. Cadoc's we always welcome new altar servers? We believe this is a very important contribution to parish life, for it helps parishioners to better celebrate the Eucharist. It also provides the servers an

opportunity to participate more closely in Mass, following Jesus' example: "Just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life in ransom for many (Mt 20:28)." If anyone would like to become an altar server, please speak to Barbara Morris, Alice Scott or me (Fr. Cirilo) after one of the weekend Masses.

400 CLUB WINNER - Angela Strang; Winning Agent: Jean Coyle.

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.

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 - Fr John Breslin, Canon Con O'Leary, Canon John B. Healey, Canon Michael Walsh, Fr. Thomas Colm Morris, Chris Wilson, John Farrell, Anne Haveron, 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 - Danny Linskey.

MONTHS MIND - Alex & Lizzie Cameron, Gerry Barker & Jackie Reilly.

ANNIVERSARIES - Patricia Wood & Paul Barker.

ST CADOC, PRAY FOR US

WEEKLY OFFERINGS FOR SUNDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER 2019

Parish Collection (Gift Aid+Non-Gift Aid) = £713.99

A sincere thank you for all your contributions last weekend