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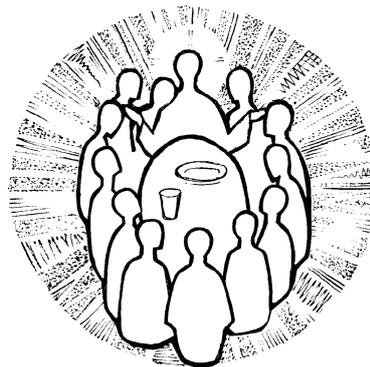
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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

19th January 2020

Weekday Cycle - Year 2



READINGS FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

First Reading - (Isaiah 49:3, 5-6) - The prophet Isaiah foresees a servant whom the Lord will raise up to rescue the chosen people.

Responsorial Psalm - Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.

Second Reading - (1 Corinthians 1: 1-3) - St. Paul begins his letter to the community at Corinth whom God has called to be a holy people.

Gospel Reading - (John 1:29-34) - John the Baptist calls Jesus "the Lamb of God" who takes away the sin of the world and recalls how he first came to know Jesus' identity.

THE ORDINARY SEASON - We have now entered upon the Ordinary Season of the Church's year. The liturgical colour is Green, representing life and growth. This is Year A, and our Gospel Readings are mainly, not always, from St Matthew.

CALENDAR - **Monday** we recall Roman martyrs of the 3rd/4th centuries, **St. Fabian** who was Pope about 236 and **Sebastian**, who has given his name to a Roman catacomb. **Tuesday** is the memorial of **St. Agnes**, a Roman, apparently a girl of 12-13 years, buried in an ancient church on the Via Nomentana and mentioned in the list of saints in the Mass. On **Wednesday** we have **St. Vincent of Zaragoza**, a Spanish deacon martyred under the emperor Diocletian. **Friday** is the memorial of **St Francis de Sales**, the holy Bishop of Annecy (near Geneva) in the late 16th century who is remembered both as a controversialist who helped to stem the tide of the Reformation and as a great spiritual guide, to laypeople especially. **Saturday** is the **Feast of the conversion of St Paul**. The dramatic miracle on the road to Damascus was a turning point in the life of the early Church.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY - This is celebrated in the week Saturday 18th - Saturday 25th January 2020. We pray for greater oneness among the churches and solidarity with the poor and suffering of this world.

FIRST CONFESSIONS - Please pray for the young people of our parish whose parents are offering them for First Reconciliation on **Tuesday 10th of March 2020** from St. Charles's Primary School and **Thursday 12th of March 2020** from St. Cadoc's Primary School at 7pm. Confession will also be available for family members and others.

Parents of candidates for First Reconciliation & First Communion 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.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Thursdays for the next three weeks beginning next Thursday (23rd January 2020) (resumes again on Thursday 20th February 2020).

MONTHS MIND MASS - FR. MARTIN O'KEEFFE AND FR. JOHN BRESLIN - will take place on Thursday 30th January 2020 at 7pm in Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral, Motherwell. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Toal.

400 CLUB WINNER - Anna Dorian; Winning Agent: Jean Coyle.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) - Please note that there will be **NO CONFESSIONS** heard before Vigil Mass for the next three Saturdays (beginning next Saturday, 25th January 2020). Instead Confessions will be heard immediately following the 5pm (Vigil) Mass. No Confessions on Saturday morning for the next three weeks beginning next weekend. Confessions will return to the normal times on Saturday 15th February 2020. Thank you for your cooperation, patience and continued support.

CHRISTMAS CRIB & TREE - Thanks to Michael Hannaway for giving his time to take down our lovely Christmas Crib after the last weekend Masses and storing it away for another year. Once again thank you to him for installing the Crib. Thanks also to Stuart Gallagher, Charles Clements & Jean Coyle for installing the Christmas tree in the church and taking it down and decorations after Christmas.

ROOF WORKS - The much anticipated work on the roof of the church has been carried out during the week at a cost of £2020.00 (including vat). The work included: fixing the leak which was caused by the splits in the lead flashing on the section of roof next to the tower in the middle; repairing the lead at the base of the tower; cleaning the gutters and realigning the cross in the centre of the tower. An emergency light, which had been damaged by the water, is yet to be fixed. The cost of this light has yet to be estimated. However, £126.00 has already been paid for the initial call out for an electrician to disconnect the light fitting. These works would not have been possible without your generosity. Thank you for your loyal and generous support of your parish.

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 2018-2019 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 2018-2019 and towards the beginning of April I will provide a copy of the Parish Financial Statement for 2018-2019. 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.

PASTORAL PLANNING MEETING - Our next pastoral planning meeting will take place on Tuesday (18th February 2020) at 7pm in the church house. All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend the parish council meetings.

TUESDAY CLUB IN ST. BRIDE'S HALL, CAMBUSLAND - restarts this Tuesday 21st January 2020 at 1pm. New members are welcome.

FUND RAISING NIGHT TO SUPPORT ESSENTIAL REFURBISHMENT WORKS IN THE CHURCH -- Given that the refurbishment required in the presbytery has now been completed, attention will now be focused on the internal fabric of the Church.

My first priority at the moment is to replace the sanctuary and side altar carpets and to paint the sanctuary area. Whilst quotes to establish the cost of the painting are currently being sought; a quote of £1800 to replace the sanctuary and side altars carpeting has been obtained and this undertaking will be carried out in the near future.

To help meet some of the total price of this proposed undertaking a fundraising "homemade curry night" has been organised and will take place from 7pm till 9pm on Friday 27th March 2020 in the Presbytery. Tickets for the event will cost £10 (includes entrance fee and a glass of wine

or a soft drink). Donations towards the cost of the meal can, if desired, be made on the night. To ensure those attending can enjoy the meal in comfortable surroundings the number of tickets available for sale will be limited to 45. You can book your place for the night by giving your name and paying the entry fee to either Jean Coyle, Irene Savage or Father Cirilo. Alternatively, contributions can be made towards this fundraising event and these will be gratefully received. A raffle will be held on the night and donations of prizes will be most welcome. Places at this event are bound to be in high demand therefore please indicate your interest at the earliest opportunity. Your support for this venture intended to enhance the overall appearance of our church will be much appreciated.

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 - Canon Con O'Leary, Canon Michael Walsh, Irene Farrelly, Anne Haveron, Ann & James Hannaway & Ria Haggart.

[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 and elsewhere. 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 - Fr. Kevin O'Doherty, Thérèsa Paci, Margaret Ann Gibbons, Noel Harper, Kit McAllister, Peggy & Michael Gallagher & Patrick McGee.

ANNIVERSARIES - Rose Quinn & Gerard Quinn & Mary McElwee.

ST CADOC, PRAY FOR US

WEEKLY OFFERINGS FOR SUNDAY 12TH JANUARY 2020

Parish Collection (Gift Aid+Non-Gift Aid) = £795.09

Collection for Justice & Peace Commission = £614.72

A sincere thank you for all your contributions last weekend