#### 5th Sunday of Easter Year C

It is traditional in the Church that on the 5th and 6th Sundays of the Easter season, the gospel readings are taken from the long discourse which St John tells us Jesus had with the apostles at the Last Supper, and which is recounted from chapter 13:31 to the end of chapter 17. Our Gospel text this Sunday begins with Judas departing the scene and continues with Jesus' words to his disciples. He is explaining to them that the events that are about to unfold, i.e. his passion and death, are not a disaster but rather the culmination of his life's work. His faithfulness to his task of revealing God has brought him to this point and so God is glorified in all that will unfold. Even though it appears at first sight that evil triumphs, nothing could be further from the truth for on the cross Jesus will reveal the glory of God who has 'loved us to the end'. That is why the commandment that Jesus now gives is so important. The disciples must love one another in the way that Jesus has loved them. This is what his life's mission has been: to draw the disciples into the relationship of love that Jesus shares with his Father.

This commandment to "Love one another" goes deeper and crosses every barrier. Although we have types of love, and for most of us we find it in our lasting friendships, our spouses, our partners, our family - those without whom life would be so much the poorer. Jesus in his commandment of Love speaks of the selfless love - the real Christian/ Catholic love. The word catholic here is used in the wide sense to its meaning as universal. It is the real love that opens itself to world—The real love that transforms and opens the heart more and more. In this love, we get out of ourselves in caring, forgiving, getting over things. God is present in this union and we become his instruments in bettering our World. Love brings God alive in us. Not the love that is in name only but love that sees the other as more important. In this love, "I am because you are"

Have a wonderful love filled Sunday.

<u>Legacies:</u> when making your Will have you thought of leaving a legacy to the Parish or diocese?

Gift Aid: If you pay tax as for a Gift Aid form and your one-off signature we get an extra 25%

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Day	Time	Activity		
Tuesday &Thursday 21st & 22nd May	9:00am	Exposition / Adora- tion		
	9:10am	Morning Prayer		
	9:30am	Holy Mass		
	10:00am	Community Rosary		
	10:30am – 3:00pm	Private Adoration		
	3:00pm – 4:00pm	Divine Mercy Hour/ Prayer		
	4:00pm – 7:00pm	Private Adoration		
Alan -	7:00pm – 8:00pm	Parish holy Hour/ Talk/Benediction/ Night Prayer		
Wednesday 22nd May	9:00am	Exposition / Adora- tion		
	9:10am	Morning Prayer/ Confessions		
	10:00am – 3:00pm	Private Adoration		
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	4:00pm – 7:00pm	Private Adoration		
	7:00pm	Holy Mass		
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#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL ST MARY'S CONFERENCE

Welcome everyone. If you know anyone in need of food or families in need, Please contact us or tell the person to ask for food parcel from the Chapel house.

We also appeal to parishioners to assist us.



# ST MARY'S PARISH PAISLEY

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19th May 2019

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# **Parish Mass & Prayer Times**

Rosary & Morning Prayer: 9:10 before 9:30am Mass Weekday Mass: 9:30am daily (except Wednesday)

Wednesday Evening Mass: 7pm

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Exposition: Tuesday & Thursday 9am Saturday 9:00am after 9:30am Mass

**Divine Mercy Devotion: Friday after Mass** 

Sunday Masses: 4:30pm (Saturday Vigil) 10:30am Mass & Children's Liturgy

Confessions: Saturday 10:00am - 10:30am & 4 - 4:30pm

Baptism: Arrange with the priest

Marriage: Give at least six months notice (see Fr Jude)

## **SUNDAY HOLY MASS**

Psalm Response: "I will bless Your name for ever, O God my King"

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A warm welcome to all our parishioners and visitors. Whether you are visiting the parish for the first time or just moved to the area, please feel very welcome. Introduce yourself to the parish priest and other parishioners. There are no strangers here, just new friends you have not met; so feel relax. There is Tea and coffee after Sunday mass in the hall. Join us and have a "wee cuppa" with your friends.

#### **PARISH NOTICE**

Parish 40 Hours Adoration: Our Parish 40 hours adoration will begin on Tuesday May 21st. The church will be open and the blessed Sacrament exposed all day till evening. We need at least two people every hour during the day. Sign in for any hour of your convivence on the router form provided. We will have Divine Mercy prayer at 3:00pm. Moderators for the ! Holy Hours 7:00pm – 8:00pm are:

Tuesday 21st May - Fr Jonathan Whitworth, Wednesday 22nd May - John Dieghan (SPUC) Thursday 23rd May - Fr. Joseph Burke

Confirmation & First Communion : Congratulations to all the children that received either of the sacraments. Special thanks to the Head Teacher, and all the teachers in St Mary's Primary for preparing these kids well and to all parishioners for assisting them in prayers.

Project Gambia visits Our Parish: Volunteers from came home and have to admit shedding a tear or two. Proiect Gambia will be visiting our parish on this I was very surprised to get the lovely flowers. Thanks weekend of 18th and 19th May to make a special appeal you all so much. God bless you all for your kindness on behalf of the children in The Gambia. They will be to Fr John. Cant believe that he's gone. Diana. greatly appreciative of any support they will receive in the retrial collection after masses.

Easter Garden: Make out time to visit our Easter garden as this year has a special feature, "Give Africa a hand". All Money raised will go to Mary's Meal.

### PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

**May Devotion** 

40 Hours / Parish Retreat May 21st - 24th May 2019

Bring a Rose to Mary May 26th 2019 P4&P7 Thanksgiving Mass 2nd June 2019

Parish Council Meeting 4th June 2019 Family Fun Day 22nd June 2019

### **DIOCESAN NEWS & EVENTS**

#### Last Week's Collections

Thanks for last week's **Offertory collections**: Gift Aid: £504.30, Non Gift Aid £243.80 = £748.10

Vocations Collections: Gift Aid £256.50, Non Gift Aid £184.15 = £440.65. **Grand Total £1,188.75** 

Hawkhead Cemetery Mass: The Hawkhead cemetery mass will take place on Sunday 19th May at 2pm. The main celebrant will be Father Oliver Freney, Administrator of St. Mirin's Cathedral, Paisley

Appreciation from on-behalf of McElroy's Family: once again I wish to thank Fr Jude and the parishioners of St Mary's for the very special Mass and tribute to Fr John. I read the book of condolences when I

Vocations News: One of students for the Priesthood, Joe McGill (St. Joseph's, Clarkston) will be accepted as a Candidate for Ordination during Mass at the Scots College, Rome on Wednesday evening. Please keep Joe and all of our students in your prayers at this time. If you'd to know more about the Diocesan priesthood please contact Fr. John Morrison e-mail: vocations@r cdop.org.uk or tel **01418895056** 

SCIAF BOX: please bring back asap.

Marian Holy Hours: On each of the four Sundays in May, there will be a Marian Holy Hour, from 4.30pm to 5.30pm, in St Laurence's, Greenock. All welcome.

For the attention of all Church Volunteers with PVG Certificates or Pending PVG Certificates Volunteers doing or planning to do regulated work with children and vulnerable adults or both, should complete the Safeguarding Training, Induction Part 1. The next sessions will be held at 7pm on: Tuesday 4th June - Diocesan Offices Paisley, Thursday 13th June - St. Joseph's Parish hall, Greenock Tuesday 18th June - St. Joseph's & St. Patrick's Parish hall, Wemyss Bay. Please contact Sarah Jane

Problems for Diocese as Visiting Clergy face UKBA Changes to Visas for Ministers of Religion: Calling on the UK Government to suspend changes to new immigration rules for visiting priests to the UK and to meet with representatives of faith communities to hear their concerns over the visa changes. Please contact your local MP asking them to sigh the Early Day Motion. https://rcdop.org.uk/news/clergy-visasmotions-lodged-in-parliament-please-encouragevour-mp-to-support

Pentecost Day - 2nd June 2019: A day for Primary school pupils (p4-7) will be held at St. Fergus, Paisley on Sunday 2nd June 2-6pm. The program will include Mass. Please bring a consent form. Consent forms can be obtained from your primary school or Parish Priest. For more information please contact Fr. John Morrison email: vocations@rcdop.org.uk or phone 0141 889 5056.

Knock and Lough Derg/Donegal Pilgrimage 2019: Monday 1st - Friday 5th JULY 2019.. To book or for further information contact: Day -Anne - 07901873259 anne.doherty61@hotma il.co.uk or evening - Liam - 0141 569 1982 or email liam.coyle1@ntlworld.com

World Youth Day 2022: Registration is now open for World Youth Day 2022 in Lisbon, Portugal. Details of cost and dates will be advised soon. To register, please visit https:// rcdop.org.uk/news/world-youth-day-2022-lisbonfor-a-lifetime-experience

SPUC Scotland - The Right Side Tour: Justice, Truth, History: Be on the right side. Society for the Protection of Unborn Children - Scotland. A tour of Scotland informing on and resisting the campaign for the extension and decriminalization of abortion. Thursday 30 May; 7:30 pm - St. Mary's Church Hall, Greenock - Hosted by SPUC Inverclyde, as part of their AGM. For more information visit: abortion-decriminalisation.org or contact: margaret@spucscotland.org / 0141 221 2094

Stronghold Festival: Aged 16 - 35? The Stronghold Festival is for you! Join hundreds of people on this 4-day Catholic Festival, camping in the stunning Highlands for a powerful weekend of Adoration, Sacraments, music, talks, hill walks, evening fun and loads more! 24th-27th May 2019, Craig Lodge, Dalmally. Check out the amazing line up of speakers and book your place through our page:www.facebook.com/StrongholdFestival - we hope to see you there! Should you wish to find out more information, feel free to contact us via email atyouth20 00paisley@gmail.com.

Mary Russell School - 50th Anniversary: The school would like to extend a warm invitation to any former pupils, staff, parents and friends of the school to join them at their 50th Anniversary celebration on Thursday 13th June at 1pm in St. Mirin's Cathedral, to give thanks for the 50 years of education and service provided by the school to the community of Renfrewshire. Main Celebrant -Bishop John Keenan. All welcome.

# As a parish Community we pray especially for

Those who are sick	Those who are recently deceased	Those whose anniversaries occur
Helena Sagnella Ben Chamness William McCarry Allison O'Kar Bobby Muir Mary Graham Agnes Cattigan Caetano Rosario Cardozo Elizabeth McGrogan Laura Hunter Christine McAllister John Allison Russell Smith Margaret Blan Linda Patti Tommy Campbell Stephen Jim Bowers Sarah Jessim Sarah & Jennette McCann Greame Martin Rogers John Kerr Agnes Roddie	Sean Coll John Stevenson Camilla Sheridan Seamus Moran Eileen Carroll Sally kilbride Nicola McFadzean Lorraine Wilson	Nan Crawford Jean McNena Josephine & Edward O'Donnell Ricky Price Joe Burns Josephine O'Donnell Joan Kennan Terence Burns