### 14th Sunday Reflection

Dear friends, the Lord knows us and he cares for us. He wants us to participate in our own way in the mission of his Son in our world. The readings of this Sunday offer us the invitation of Christ to go to the whole world and proclaim the good news – the message of consolation and peace. We see in the gospel reading the mission of the seventy-two (unnamed disciples), who were sent in pairs to preach, to cure and to heal. This mission offers to the world God's consolation which the Prophet Isaiah speaks of in the first reading and remains the solace of St Paul in the second reading.

We have been called to proclaim the imminence of the Kingdom of God "The Kingdom of God is coming near" as the content and main focus of this mission. For, it is not the mission that gives rise to the Kingdom; it is the Kingdom that raises up missionaries who announce it and prepare the people to welcome it. In spite of all human frailties and failures, there is the certainty that God saves, and "the Kingdom is near." The Kingdom comes as "peace." The missionaries should therefore invoke the peace of God on the houses and cities they enter. This peace basically means openness towards God and justice in dealing with all.

Nevertheless, this may not be an easy task for it no easy task to follow Christ; it takes intense desire and firm determination. One has to give up every earthly security and comfort zone, and to enter into the context of life that leads to Calvary and the Cross. At the same time, we must know that the value of these hardships consists in making us capable of great missionary endeavor. Only those who follow Jesus, and detach themselves from mere earthly interests and values, can proclaim till the end the gift and the truth of the Kingdom. (cont. next page)

<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%

This month our parish will witness the PPC special mission which will be carried out by the members of the Legion of Mary from 20th – 27th. PPC stands for "Peregrinatio Pro Christo" meaning Pilgrims for Christ. It is made of not 72, but a team of 10 Legionaries who will visit every family and move door to door "Chapping our doors" to share the good news, with our whole families. Opening to them is a way of accepting this mission and offering them a place in our home (if you can house just one person or two) is to participate in this mis-

sion. May Christ make us His instruments for the salvation of our brothers and sisters. Have a nice week.



Catholic Voices Scotland and Dalmally: You are welcome to attend this public speaking training weekend on *How to communicate the Faith without raising your voice,* on Fri 2 - Sun 4 August at Craig Lodge, Dalmally. Cost £100 (£50 for students). For info contact: Dermot Grenham tel: 07870 164629 or dermo t.grenham@gmail.com

Knights of St. Columba: Centenary Recruitment Drive. 'Serving God by Serving Others'. If you are over 16 and a practicing catholic and want to join and organisation to promote the Catholic faith and help others, please contact – John O'Donnell Mob: 07854886425 or john.odonnell1@hotmai

### 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.



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7th July 2019

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

## **Parish Mass & Prayer Times**

Rosary & Morning Prayer: 9:10 before 9:30am Mass
Weekday Mass: 9:30am daily (except Wednesday)
Wednesday Evening Mass: 7pm



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: "Cry out with joy to God all the Earth"

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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**

Mary's Meals Visit: Mary's meals representatives will visit the parish this weekend of 6th/7th July. Mary's meals works to provide a daily meal in school for some of the world's poorest children in '

18 countries. You can assist by donating any unwanted clothing (including belts/bags/shoes) or ! house textiles (including curtains/bedding/soft toys) - BUT NO DUVETS OR PILLOWS! Recycling the textile generates money to help feed hungry children. Please the van will collect textiles after the Sunday morning Masses only.

Baptism Congratulations: to Nathan John McCarthy son of Jonathan & Joanne McCarthy and Kathleen Maciver lovely grandson, who will be christened after mass this Sunday.

Readers/Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: if you wish to help in any of the above functions in the Parish, kindly speak to Fr Jude or pick up the application form from the Sacristy.

Appeal for Our Parish Summer Project: We welcome your kind donations of Paints, Painting Tools or Money. We need more volunteers to support the work force.

#### PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

Mary's Meal Visit the Parish 6th/7th July

Parish Quiz Night 14th August

Visit of St Theresa of Lisieux relics 14-16th September

## **DIOCESAN NEWS & EVENTS**

#### Last Week's Collections

Thanks for last week's **Offertory collections**: Gift Aid: £419.00, Non Gift Aid £286.62 = £706.02

Peter's Pence : = £411.13 . Grand Total £1,117.15

port last Easter. Your donations raised £248.50 for Easter Garden and a total of £133.5 was spent. £115 has been banked in view of the intent charity. Special thanks to Allan & Carol and all those that helped in building and managing the Easter gar- The relics of St Therese of Lisieux: The relics den this year.

Visa Changes causing problems for Clergy Summer Supplies: Please email your MP to sign an early day motion for the government to suspend its recent rule change for visas. They make it near impossible for parishes in Scotland to arrange summer clergy and entail an increase of 500% in costs. Here is the link https://rcdop.org.uk/ news/clergy-visas-motions-lodged-in-parliamentplease-encourage-your-mp-to-support

**Legion of Mary:** *Peregrinatio Pro Christo*: Pilgrims for Christ: A group of ten Legionaries will be visiting door to door in the Parish from 20th-27th July. We are looking for parishioners to put them up, just Bed/Breakfast and they will give a donation of £70/£80. There will be five women and five men. Please let Fr Jude know as soon as possible if you have a spare room and are willing to put anyone up. They all have Safe-Guarding Clearance. Mary Farren who is the coordinator will make an appeal this weekend.

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 session will be held at 7pm on Tuesday 16th July -St. Cadoc's Parish hall, Newton Mearns. Please Appreciation: We thanks you for your kind sup- contact Sarah Jane at the Diocesan Safeguarding office safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk or 0141 847 6138 to register. tickets: https:// crownedwithglorvandhon our.com/

> will be in Scotland for two weeks in September. They will be in our Diocese from 14 -**16**th **September 2019**. The relics will mainly be at St Mary's Church, Greenock from the evening of Saturday 14th September until the morning of the 15th. The relics will then be taken to St Mirin's Cathedral on Sunday 15th September until the afternoon of the 16th September 2019. All welcome to come and pray before the relics of the "Little Flower

> Monaco Boys Choir: Venue-Paisley Methodist Church, Central Hall, 7 Gauze Street, Paisley, 1EB. Thursday 18th July 2019 at 7pm. Donations towards providing education for vulnerable children in Mwange Village, Democratic Republic of Congo

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-2022lisbon-for-a-lifetime-experience

Wheel chair assistance required for Saturday Hospital Vigil Mass at RAH, Paisley: Once more, in the spirit of Making All Things New, we are appealing for some volunteers to join our rota for wheel chair assistance to enable patients at the RAH to attend the 4pm Saturday Vigil Mass. You will assist a person from the ward to the hospital chapel, stay with them for Mass, and then take them back to the ward. Volunteers need to have or need to obtain a PVG as standard diocesan practice. Can you please contact Monsignor John Tormey for further details on 01505 320 900 or email him at staidan@rcdop.org.uk. You will be asked to join our rota of helpers, probably helping once every three or four weeks. You are free to change your day with another helper if you can't do the day when it's your turn. We have had some helpers leave the rota recently and we really do need some fresh recruits. Please consider giving some of your time to help those who are ill and who will benefit from your kindness. Thank you. Mgr John Tormey.

Saint Therese Relics Tour of Scotland: The relics will visit the diocese of Paisley on 14-16 September. Please to main Website: https://www.littleflowerinsco tland.co.uk/ and like the Facebook, 'St Therese of Lisieux Scotland 2019' to view the itinerary and learn the two hymns composed for the visit. These sites have lots of up to date information as well as an image of the Icon which has been commissioned for the tour.

Mass for Vocations: There will be a Mass offered for Vocations every 1st Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the chapel of the Little Sisters in Greenock. All are welcome. Please come along and help pray for vocations.

## 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 Allison O'Kane Bobby Muir Edward Higgins Alice McCabe Betty McGeough Mary Graham Agnes Cattigan Caetano Rosario Cardozo Jim Cochrane Tommy Campbell Catherine Duffin Alice Elliot Pat & Tommy Mellon Elizabeth McGrogan Laura Hunter Christine McAllister Bridie Harkins Laura Gentile Anne Coleman Alice Farrel John Allison Russell Smith Margaret Blane Linda Patti Stephen Jim Bowers Sarah Jessiman Sarah & Jennette McCann Greame Martin Rogers John Kerr Agnes Roddie Moses Shambira