#### 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

Dear friends, November is the month we pray for the holy souls. This Sunday in the United Kingdom, we observe the "Remembrance Sunday", in which we commemorate the contribution of British and Commonwealth military and civil servicemen and women in the two World Wars and later conflicts. We pray for the happy repose of the dead. Looking at the lives of these heroes, we learn an important lesson that Life is a gift given for the betterment of our society.

The main theme of today's readings is the reality of life after death and of the relationship between our lives on earth and the life of glory or punishment that will follow. The readings invite us to consider the true meaning of the resurrection in our lives. The first reading describes a Jewish family, consisting of a mother and her seven sons, who refused their conqueror's command to eat pork, forbidden as "unclean" by Jewish Law. Because of their faith and obedience to God, they endured suffering and accepted martyrdom. During their torture, three of the brothers testified to their faith, and each of them found strength in the belief that he will eventually be raised and rewarded by God. St Paul in the second reading encouraged the Thessalonians who were waiting for the Parousia (the second coming of Christ), to trust in the fidelity of God Who would strengthen their hearts in every



good work and word. The same theme of the resurrection of the dead formed the basis of the confrontation described in today's Gospel passage. In this confrontation, Jesus ingeniously escaped from a doctrinal trap set for him and explained the doctrine of the resurrection of the dead, which is supported by the Pharisees and denied by

the Sadducees. Jesus speaks of God as the God of the living and declares that heavenly life with God in glory is totally different from earthly life - explaining that there is no marriage in heaven as it is in the earthly sense.

The lessons we can draw from today's readings are: we are made for the life eternal but our entry into Paradise lies in our keeping the commandment of God. Eternal life is real and it is for those who sacrifice the earthly pleasure for the eternal glory. Secondly, we must not be afraid of the threats of mortals, as Christ said "fear him not who will only kill the body and do no harm to the soul" (Matt 10:28).

Friends, let us stand firm in our faith and know that our good works will never go unrewarded.

<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%

Safeguarding Training, Induction Part 2: The new Safeguarding Part 2 Training session, is for volunteers who have previously attended Safeguarding Training Part One, or Safeguarding Training Level one, more than 18 months ago. If you attended Safeguarding Training Level One in 2016 or 2017, you should put your name forward for Safeguarding Training Part 2. Sessions are available on , Tuesday 12th Nov at 7pm St. Joseph's, Clarkston . Please contact Sarah Jane at the Diocesan Safeguarding office safeguarding admin @rcdop.org.uk or 0141 847 6138 to register.

**St. Mirin's Chaplaincy Center:** Sunday Mass is available at **5pm on Sundays and at** 12.30pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Month of the Holy Souls - SCIAF - In November, the month of the Holy Souls, SCIAF remembers those supporters who are no longer with us. Holy Mass is celebrated in memory of all those who've been touched by our work here in Scotland and around the world. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Toal, Bishop President of SCIAF at St Francis Xavier's Church, Taylor Avenue, Carfin on Thursday 21st November at 7 pm. If you are not able to attend on this occasion but would like a loved one to be remembered at the Mass please contact Siobhan Wright at SCIAF on 0141 354 5555.

Fertility Care Clinic at the diocesan offices - Change of dates for November/December - The clinic will take place on Wednesday - 6<sup>th</sup> November, 20<sup>th</sup> November and the 4<sup>th</sup> December. Dates for 2020 will be announced before the end of the year.

### 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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10th November 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

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**

FIRST READING: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14

Psalm Response: "I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O

Lord"

SECOND READING: 2 Thess 2:16-3:5

**GOSPEL READING: Luke 20:27-38** 

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### **PARISH NOTICE**

Remembrance Sunday: This Sunday's masses will be offered for all the heroes of the two wars. A Poppy wreath (donated by Gellatly family) will be placed on our memorial altar and two minutes silence



observed in their honour. May God grant the dead eternal rest...Amen

November List & Envelopes: We pray for the souls of our beloved ones in the month of November. So, as annually done, the November list and envelopes are now available. Please take some home and write down the names of your beloved ones you wish to pray for and include your offering for masses. Return them ASAP. You can either put them in the offertory basket or hand them in, in the sacristy or to Fr Jude. We will be inviting families that lost their loved ones this year to our Parish Mass of Remembrance which will hold on the 24th of November at 4pm. If you have lost anyone dear to you this year please speak to Fr Jude

RCIA: Do you know someone who is thinking of becoming a Catholic? If so, please introduce them to Fr. Jude or to Alan & Carol Wright \_who will encourage them to join the parish in the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) process. The RCIA group meets every Tuesday at 7pm in the Sacristy.

Parish Memorial Altar: you are free to place a picture of your loved one who passed away this year or the previous years. Our prayers are for their favour. There are flower vases provided for flowers and a box for your November intentions ( November List) and donations. Eternal rest grant unto them oh Lord. .. May they rest in peace.

Parish Special Christmas Card: This year we have our Parish special Christmas Card. Contact Gerry if you are interested in placing an order.

#### PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

Bishop's Visit 24th November 2019 Parish Mass of Remembrance 24th November 2019 at 4:00pm

## **DIOCESAN NEWS & EVENTS**

#### Last Week's Collections

Thanks for last week's **Offertory collections**: Gift Aid: £358.50, Non Gift Aid £284.44= £642.94 **Building fund:** Gift Aid: £ 66.00 Non Gift Aid: £144.65=210.65 **Grand Total** £853.59

200 Club Draw: our monthly draw will hold this Sunday after mass.

Parish Piety Store: we have in stock Christmas Cards, anniversary cards and other gift items. Please contact Angela.

#### 2019 Parish Christmas Fayre Appeals

we appeal for donations for the fayre to help make it a success. If you can help with any of the following: Bottles of Spirits, wine, Sherry, Gin, Packs of Beer, boxes of Chocolates, biscuits, Tins of sweets, Gift sets — Toiletries, deodorants.

ROAR St Mary's club: The new club for over 65s started last Wednesday and will hold every Wednesday at 10:30am in the Church Hall. if you're still interested let Eileen McCartin know on 01505 814676.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: there will be a meeting for all members on Friday 15th November at 7pm in the sacristy. New Members should attend.

Lourdes Discipleship Pilgrimage (18-21yrs) - Would you like to be involved in our Paisley Diocese Lourdes 2020 Pilgrimage, **26 June to 2 July** as young adults? You will join other young Catholics (18-21 years) for spiritual and pastoral, service and social initiatives in our new Lourdes Disciples Programme. If you're interested or would like more information please email Fr. Gerry McNellis (stninian@rcdop.org.uk). Limited to twenty places.

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 in the Diocesan offices, Incle Street, Paisley on, Monday 11th November at 10.30am Please contact Sarah Jane at the Diocesan Safeguarding office safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org. uk or 0141847 6138 to register

Hawkhead Cemetery Mass: With refurbishments taking place at Hawkhead Cemetery, and the roadworks on Hawkhead Road, it does not seem advisable to celebrate Mass there this year. Mass will be celebrated in St. Mirin's Cathedral at 12noon on Sunday 10th November for all who are buried in Hawkhead Cemetery.

**20-40 Network** Escape Rooms Event : Aged 20-40? Our events are a great place for meeting fellow young Catholics. Don't worry about coming on your own, you'll quickly make friends as you battle to solve the clues and escape before the other team. Sat 23rd November, 6:30pm, Merchant Square, Glasgow. Justemail 2040network@gmail.com</br>
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ork@gmail.com> to buy a £16 ticket or join our mailing list to find out about future events if you can't make this one.

Cardinal Winning Lecture November 2019 - This year's lecture is given by Archbishop Paul Gallagher, Vatican Secretary for Relations with States, Saturday 16 November, 9.00 am - 12 noon, University Chapel and Bute Hall, University of Glasgow. This event is organized by the St. Andrew's Foundation for Catholic Teacher Education. This is a ticketed event. To book and print your ticket please go to https://cardinalwinninglecture2019.eventbrite.co.uk

Missio Scotland: Friends of Missio Ball' on Saturday 16th November at the Hilton hotel Bellshill all seated for 7:30pm. Tickets are £40 per person with tables of ten also available. This includes a gift upon arrival, a 3 course meal and live band. There are also some fantastic raffle prizes and an auction on the night. All proceeds will go towards schools projects in Uganda and Sierra Leone.

RCIA - There will be a meeting for ALL parish catechists/leaders in the diocesan office on **Thursday 14th** November 7.00 - 8.30pm to discuss the year ahead. Please register at rcia@rcdop.org.uk

Prisoners Week - An initiative of the Churches in partnership with the Scottish Prison Service, aims to stimulate discussion, highlight concerns and share hope, in prisons and communities across Scotland. This year's theme is 'Out of Sight Out of Mind'. Jesus taught us that 'as much as you do it to the least of those, you do it to me' (Matthew 25:40) As part of Prisoners Week, you are warmly invited to the ecumenical Prisoners Week National Launch Service, which will take place in Bridge of Allan Parish Church FK15 0AQ, on Monday 19th November at 6.30pm. Further information can be found on the Prisoners Week website www.prisonersweek.org.uk

**Scottish Interfaith Week** - Today is the beginning of Scottish Interfaith week. It is an opportunity for Catholics to follow the example set by our Holy Father Pope Francis to reach out to our neighbours and to recognize all people of faith as our brothers and sisters

Maranatha Prayer Group: Please, join us for an evening of prayer and praise in St Mirin's hall at 7:30pm. We meet weekly to pray. Sing and reflect on the scriptures. There will be tea and coffee afterwards. All are welcome

# As a parish Community we pray especially for

Those who are recently deceased

Agnes Cattigan Ben Chamness Christine McAllister John Allison Russell Smith Sarah Jessiman Sarah McCann Martin Rogers John Kerr Margaret Moses Shambira Noel & Winifred Kidd Sam Hanah

Those who are sick

James Tracey Anna Budrys Mary Luby
All the Heroes of the two World Wars



Bridget McCaffery Bridie Cassidy Charlotte Stuart Tommy Young

Those whose anniversaries occur

All those who are named in our November list