

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity Year B

Dear Friends, as we celebrate the feast of the Most Holy Trinity, we are invited to live in the awareness of the love union of the Triune God present within us and in the world. The Holy Trinity is one of the fundamental doctrines of Christianity and the greatest mystery of our Faith. Explained theologically, it states that in the unity of God there are three persons sharing the same Divine Nature, co-equal and co-eternal; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Each Person is God, yet there is still only one God" (C.C.C. #234, #253-256). We have the Father who is the Creator, the Son the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit the Sanctifier and the Counsellor but one God through who and in whom all things came to be. It underlies all major Christian feasts, including Christmas, the Epiphany, Good Friday, Easter, the Ascension, and Pentecost. All the official prayers of the Church, including the Holy Mass and the Sacraments, - We are baptized, absolved of our sins, and anointed in the name of the Blessed Trinity. We bless ourselves with the Sign of the Cross invoking the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and we conclude our prayers glorifying the Holy Trinity, saying "Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit."

Today's readings convey the fundamental mystery that the Triune God reaches out to people in love, seeking the deepest communion with them. The first reading from the book of Deuteronomy speaks primarily about the love of God, the revelation of God's awesome, forgiving love to his people. It shows that Love is the nature of God and thus, invites us to a response in love. Although the trinity as a doctrine is not explicitly mentioned in the Old Testament it is implicitly implied in Gen.1:26, 11:7,18:2. The second reading and the Gospel as other New Testament passages: Lk 1:26-36, Matt 3:16-17, 28:18-19, Jn 10:30, 15-18, 1 Cor. 2: 11, 13-14, 2Cor.13:14, make references to this doctrine. But in all, it is evident that the Trinity is a mystery of faith, in fact, one of the mysteries that are hidden in God through which God teaches us the nature of love.

So, what is the didactic truth of this dogma? It is that our conviction of the presence of the Triune God within us should help us to esteem ourselves as God's holy dwelling place, to love one another, and to emulate the characteristic functions of the Trinity. Like God the Father, we are called to be productive and creative persons by contributing to the building up of the fabric of our family, our Church, our community, and our nation. To reconcile and save like God the Son, to be peacemakers, to put back together that which has been broken, to restore what has been shattered, to live a life of forgiveness and love. To uncover and teach truth in order to dispel ignorance like God the Holy Spirit. May we treasure this love relationship of the Trinity and see ourselves as brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ, not only in his humanity but also in his divinity.

Happy feast of the Triune God!!!

ST VINCENT DE PAUL ST MARY'S CONFERENCE

Food parcels will now be given out every 1st Sunday of the Month. Do not hesitate to let us know if there is anyone or families in dire need of food or clothing.

Legacies: 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%

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

I regret to inform you that as of 27 April 2021, Joe Walsh Pilgrimage Tours have ceased to trade. This will mean that all pilgrims who have bookings carried over from 2020 and 2021 will have to invoke a claim through the TOPS protection policy held by Joe Walsh Tours. This can be accessed by following the link on their website. If you have any problem with this please contact Fr Gerry McNellis on 01475 632078 or stninan@rcdop.org.uk

Evening of prayer for Healthcare workers

Bishop John would like to invite all healthcare workers and friends to an evening celebration to Mark the Year of St. Joseph, patron saint of workers. There will be a time of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, prayers for all those involved in our healthcare system and will finish with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All welcome to attend at **St Mirin's Cathedral on Thursday 24th June at 7.00pm**. Please use the Eventbrite link to book your tickets. Alternatively, call St Margaret's Church, Johnstone to book by phone on 01505320198. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/>



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30th May 2021

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Parish Mass & Prayer Times

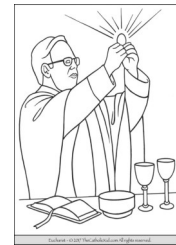
Weekday Mass: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday @ 9:30am

Wednesday @7:00pm

Exposition/Adoration: Tuesday & Thursday @ 9:00am

Confessions: Tuesday & Thursday @ 9:00am

Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil @ 4pm, & 5pm,
Sunday @ 11:00am & 12:00noon



N/B Because of the limited number allowed, we appeal to everyone to make use of the booking system on our Parish website www.stmaryrcpaisley.com to book a ticket for the weekend mass you wish to attend.

Baptism: Arrange with the priest

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

SUNDAY HOLY MASS

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40

Psalm Response: "Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own"

SECOND READING: Romans 8:14-17

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 28:16-20

Mass Book: YEAR B Part:2 Page: 30

PARISH NOTICE

NEW HEATING SYSTEM PROJECT APPEAL

So far, we have raised **£24,881.00** with the interest free loan of **£4000** from a parishioner, making a total of **£28,881.00**. We appeal for more support as the total sum of the project is **£29,000**. You can send your donation to the Chapel house with your name or send a cheque payable to St Mary's Parish. If you wish to make bank transfer kindly use our Parish Account details: **Sort Code:80-09-29 Acc.No.00783824**. We thank our parishioners who recently set up a monthly direct debit of **£20**.

Monthly Divine Mercy Devotions and Holy Mass

Just a wee reminder that the Monthly Divine Mercy Devotion, Holy Hour and Mass holds every last Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm in St Mary's Church, 163 George Street, Paisley PA1 2UN. Devotion begins with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy chaplet followed by Holy Mass. All are welcome.

Special Collection - Pro-Life (Day for Life) - 30 May 2021

This collection helps the Diocese support pro-life causes with half of the funds collected going to the Bishops' Conference pro-life fund. You can donate easily to this by visiting our Diocesan website www.rcdop.org.uk and clicking on the 'Online Parish Offertory'. This allows you to donate to any of the causes or parishes of your choice. Many thanks

DIOCESAN NEWS & EVENTS

New Heating System Donations

Now £28,881.00 Thank You!!

Special thanks to the special donors last week.

£13.50(Cash)

£250 (Cheque)



£176.20 (Special Collection)



Total: £439.70

Think Vocation

"Go and make disciples of all nations" - are you willing to be involved in the project of Jesus as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Speak to our Vocations Director, Fr. John Morrison Tel: 01418895056 or e-mail vocations@rcdop.org.uk

Diocese of Paisley Rosary Holy Hour

This Trinity Sunday please join Bishop John from 8.00-9.00pm online on his Facebook Page for a Rosary Holy Hour. This is part of the ROSARY STRONGHOLD National Rosary Rally across the British Isles. Each diocese around the British Isles has its allotted hour from 9.00am-9.00pm.

Scripture and Spirituality Conference 10th - 11th July 2021

John of the Cross and the experience of transforming love. This year's conference focuses on St. John of the Cross and his life changing teachings of how love can transform each and every one of us. Through six thought provoking talks, each of us can learn how to become beacons of light to greater reflect Christ and offer hope to a world in much need of healing. This year, we have been blessed with six renowned speakers, authors and experts, who will bring St. John's teachings to life and transform how we grow in our love and spirituality. For more information www.carmelite.uk.net/ssc or contact ruth.preston@carmelite.org.uk Tel: 07849 596 572

Annual Mass at St. Conval's Cemetery

Bishop John Keenan will celebrate our Annual Mass at St Conval's Cemetery, Barrhead on **Sunday the 6th June at 2:00pm**.

Tickets available to book now. Please visit: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/st-convals-cemetery-mass-tickets-155817180381>

Faith & Reason: A Catholic Integration

A short, residential summer course exploring the relationship of faith with philosophy, science and culture. Particularly helpful for catechists and teachers fielding commonly-asked questions around Catholicism, besides anyone wanting to deepen their understanding of the Faith. Runs 5th - 8th August. For more info and registration, <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/faith-and-reason/>

Online Marriage Counselling available during Covid 19 Crisis

Our diocese has a Counselling Service for Catholics Married in the Catholic Church with our dedicated Catholic Marriage Counsellor. If you are concerned about your relationship and feel you are both unable to reach a conclusion alone, it is likely that you will benefit from marriage counselling. The counsellor is there to maintain a neutral, non-judgmental position. For information or advice please email in confidence counselling@rcdop.org.uk

20 Days for Life June 1st 2021 till June 20th 2021 8am until 8pm each day

Due to Tier 4 restrictions our 2021 Lenten 40 Days for Life peaceful prayer and fasting vigil at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital in Glasgow was postponed. Sadly, in the midst of this current situation the government did not halt or restrict its abortion culture of death.

On March 23rd 2021 the government called for a UK National Day of Reflection to be held for those who had died from Covid the previous year. According to latest official figures at that time there had been **143,259 Covid deaths**. The following month April 2021 we marked the 53rd anniversary of the implementation of the **1967 Abortion Act which has resulted in almost 9.5million deaths of our unborn children here in the UK**.

Think of the unborn when you pray the words 'For what I have done and for what I have failed to do'. Think of those words in the ballot box. 'They will not grow old as we who are left grow old but we will remember them'.

We are coming out for a 20 Days for Life from June 1st until June 20th outside of the QEUH in Glasgow from 8am until 8pm each day. To take part email Ogilvie1615@outlook.com

As a parish Community we pray especially for

Those who are sick

Christine McAllister John Allison Sarah Jessiman Sarah McCann Martin Rogers John Kerr Ella Craig Winifred Kidd Declan Healy John Doherty Alan Morrison Donna Sim Helen Mackey Ian Scott Doreen Chin Anthony Cannon Jimmy McMenemy Jim O'Shea Brian McLaughlin Ian Gallacher Mary Johnston Joseph McEnhill Charlene Wheelan Sophia Young David Milravey Bobby Muir Michael B

Those who are recently deceased

Seamus McGurn Ian Hickey Charles Dolan Paul Jardine Stefani Girasoli-Begly

Kevin McCudeon

Those whose anniversaries occur

Kay Tait Robert Fleming Thomas Hendren Sr Berchmans Brian Hallan

James Lowrie