

St John the Evangelist Parish

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LITURGICAL SERVICES

HOLY MASS: Weekdays at 9:30am; Saturday at 10:00am, Vigil for Sunday at 4:30pm; Sunday at 10:00am, 12:00 noon and 6:30pm.

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION: Saturday after 10am Mass. Between 4:00pm and 4:25pm, and after the Vigil Mass.

ROSARY: Weekdays in the Church/Oratory after Mass; Friday 3:00-4:00pm in the Oratory.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: From 10:00am to 9:00pm each weekday in the Oratory.

12th August 2018 - 19th Sunday of the Year

Funerals this week

Eddie Quinn—Monday 9.30am

Thomas Gardner – Friday 9.30am.

COLLECTIONS

Last Sunday's collection raised 2087.00 and the Building Fund raised 785.00. Thank you for your generosity. (The higher than usual amounts may be due to the number of visitors at Mass last weekend attending the baptisms which took place).

The second collection this week is for the Legacy Fund.

Please note there will be a bucket collection at the doors of the church this weekend for our youth going out to Malawi. They will say a few words at the end of Masses.

Our SSVP has graciously stepped aside this weekend to allow the Youth to Malawi to have their bucket collection. Thank you to the SSVP for this and for all you do!

HOLIDAY OF OBLIGATION

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION

WEDNESDAY of this week is the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary into Heaven. It is a Holyday of Obligation. Mass times are: (Vigil) Tuesday 7pm, Wednesday 8.00am, 10.00am. There will be Masses in the schools which return on Wednesday for the children of the parish.

OUR LADY, UNTIER OF KNOTS NOVENA

The annual novena will begin at 7pm on Tuesday 21st August and will run each Tuesday evening at 7pm for the following eight weeks.

For your Diary - The Diocesan Liturgy Commission will host a Music workshop in preparation for Advent & Christmas on **Saturday 22nd September 2018**, 1-3pm in St Mirin's Hall. This is open to all musicians, choirs, and anyone else involved in music in our parishes or schools.

SYNOD UPDATE

Next week there will be an update on what has been happening since the close of the Diocesan Synod.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The RCIA will begin again in a few weeks. This is primarily for those considering becoming Catholics but is also open to those who are coming back to the practice of the faith after some years away so they can renew their knowledge of the teachings of the Church.

If you would like to join or indeed know of anyone who would like to join the RCIA this year, now is the time to have a word with Fr Joe. Those who have already spoken to Fr Joe about RCIA, please contact him again.

Similarly, if you are already a practising Catholic and are interested in becoming a member of the parish RCIA Team, sharing the faith with and welcoming new members into the Church, have a word with Fr Joe.

Annual Diocesan Vocations Mass This year our annual Vocations Diocesan Mass will be held at St. Mirin's Cathedral, Paisley on **Monday 10th September at 7pm**. Please join Bishop John and the Priests, Deacons and Religious of our Diocese as we pray for Vocations and celebrate the feast of St. Mirin, the patron of our Diocese.

Celebrate Family Conference

8th-9th September, St Ninian's High School - "See, I am doing a new thing!" (Isaiah 43:19) Following on from last year's successful Celebrate family conference we're delighted to tell you that this September it will be running again. It is a great faith-filled weekend with inspirational speakers and lots of fun with activity streams for children, teens and young adults. If you want to join us please follow the link and sign up, there is an early bird offer available right now! <https://www.celebrateconference.org/scotland>

St Francis and St Clare prayer group: will be back on **Thursday 16th August at 7pm** in the Diocesan offices, Ince Street, Paisley, PA1 1HR. We would love to welcome new people to our prayer group. Come along and join us in prayer.

Welcoming of the Icon of Jesus the Teacher to the

Cathedral To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the education act incorporating Catholic schools into the national system, there will be a Mass **on Wednesday 15th August at 7.00pm**, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at St Mirin's Cathedral. The Icon will be welcomed into the Cathedral followed by Mass and Vespers. Representatives from our schools will be present. You are all most welcome to attend this Mass, and to celebrate our Catholic Education system in Scotland. This Mass will fulfil the Holy Day Obligation.

20-40 Network: Hone Your Public Speaking and Presentation Skills in a bar!

The 20-40 Network organises networking events for young Catholics aged 20-40, giving them the opportunity to meet and socialise in a friendly, relaxed environment. At the next event host and presenter Greg Summers will deliver an afternoon on understanding how to improve your public speaking and presentation delivery. Greg has worked with the biggest names in the country including Chris Evans, Olly Murs, Gary Barlow and John Bishop. **Sun 2 September, 12:45 – 16:00**, Blackfriars Bar, 36 Bell Street, Glasgow. To book a ticket go to <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/public-speaking-presentations-made-easy-tickets-48140877661> or email Jennifer at 2040network@gmail.com

Pro-Life Mass: This month's Pro-Life Mass falls on **Wednesday, 15th August**, the Solemnity of the Assumption. Mass will therefore be the regular parish celebration of the feast, starting at **7pm** in Blessed John Duns Scotus, 270 Ballater St, Gorbals G5 0YT. There will be no Adoration or Rosary beforehand. Please come along and pray for the cause of life.

The Angelus prayer group

This has been established in Honour of The Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church. The new feast day, which will be celebrated annually the day after Pentecost. Pope Francis approved the celebration because he thought it might "encourage the growth of the maternal sense of the church in the pastors, religious and faithful, as well as a growth of genuine Marian piety." The Angelus group is open to the public, we pray each day at 12 noon - it can be accessed via Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/215813205685547/> All are welcome to join.

Celebrate Scotland: An inspiring and faith filled Catholic family conference for the whole family. It has been running for 14 years in England, now only the second year in Scotland. Creche for under 3s; streams for all age groups; full programme for adults including worship, speakers and workshops. Speakers include Marie Bearne (Dublin) and Bruce Yocum (Michigan). Mass both days and Sunday celebrated by Bishop John. Held in St Ninians High School, Giffnock on **Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th September**, each day from **9am**. Saturday dinner included in price. Book on website www.celebrateconference.org or phone Ged Farrell 07793 370910 or Michael Jordan 0141 644 4655.

Job Opportunities with the Christian Institute:

The Christian Institute is seeking to employ a Communications Officer and an Editor/Writer to work at its headquarters in Newcastle upon Tyne. The deadline for applications is Tuesday 4 September. For more information please telephone Judi Coulson on 0191 281 5664 or email judi.coulson@christian.org.uk. The Christian Institute exists for the furtherance and promotion of the Christian religion in the United Kingdom and the advancement of education. It is a nondenominational Christian charity committed to upholding the truths of the Bible, supported by churches throughout the country, and is committed to upholding the sanctity of life from conception.

Community Money Advice: Did you know one-in-six adults (43,317) living in parishes across Paisley Diocese are at least three months behind with bills or feel their debts are a heavy burden? We need your help to reach out and support those affected. Community Money Advice is a Christian charity supporting churches to run their own advice centres tackling this problem. Local volunteers are trained to provide free face-to-face advice for anyone struggling financially.

For more information please contact Stephen Curran on 07554 905275 or stephen@communitymoneyadvice.com
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