

Saint 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: 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.

8th May 2016 7th Sunday of Easter

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mass times Mon – Friday will be at 11.00am each morning. Thank you for your help with these temporary times.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Special collection this week is for the work of the Communications Commission. This helps promote the Church on social media, and in the press.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the Primary 4 children of St John's and St Mark's Primaries who made their First Holy Communion on Saturday and will be at the 10am Mass in their outfits.

MASS OF INSTALLATION FOR NEW CANONS

Bishop John has appointed five new Canons to the Cathedral Chapter and extends a warm invitation to join them at the Mass of Installation on **Friday 13th May at 7pm in St Mirin's Cathedral**. The new Canons are Fr Danny McLoughlin, Fr Eddie Cameron, Fr David Boyd, Fr Michael McMahon and Fr David Cotter. All welcome.

100 CLUB DRAW WINNERS

1st Prize-£140 No 31 J. Byrne; 2nd Prize £70 No 144 Jane Connell; 3rd Prize-£35 No 10 Margaret Cassidy; 4th Prize-£20 No 41 P&A McGrath; 5th Prize-£20:No 158 J&M Hallan

GIFT AID

The Gift Aid envelopes are now available. By signing up to this simple scheme the parish can claim back the tax you paid on your donation, this is 25% of your gift.

NON GIFT AID ENVELOPES

These are now available for collection. If you are not a tax payer please take these pink envelopes home with you. It allows you to remember when there are second collections and keeps your offering private.

STANDING ORDER FORMS

An easy way to make your contribution to the upkeep of the church is to make your contributions by standing order. Forms are available in the foyer and on the back of this week's bulletin. Please return it to Fr Paul. For those who already contribute to the Parish via standing orders, there are boxes of envelopes in the foyer for the special collections not covered by your S/O.

ST JOHN'S CUP GOLF DAY

The parish annual golf day will take place on Friday 10th June at Fereneze Golf Club. £20 per person includes coffee and roll on arrival, game of golf and 2 course meal. Please put your name on the sheet in the porch or contact Mark Carlton on 07885753536.

THANK YOU

Fr Paul would like to thank all those who sent cards, good wishes and prayers at the time of his accident. He broke his elbow in 4 places and had an operation to fix it. He is now back in the parish but on light duties for the time being.

DIOCESAN SYNOD

Please pray for those participating in the Diocesan Synod, which continues this weekend. May the Holy Spirit inspire and guide them. A few copies of the discussion questions on day one of the Synod are available in the porch. Parishioners are encouraged to take one and reflect on how the Diocese is meeting the needs of the Church community.

OUR SYNOD PRAYER

God our loving Father, Who sent your Son to show us the way to live fully in the Spirit, Be with us while we walk together as a diocesan family, Preparing for our Paisley Synod. Help us to be people who will take on the mission of passing on your word, Sowing seeds of your love in the world. Send the Holy Spirit to guide us, To keep us united in purpose. And to give us courage for this journey of faith. Help us in our deliberations and discussions. To be aware of your presence, To listen to your voice And to discern your will for our diocese In the months and years to come.

CALLED AND CHOSEN WEEK TWO

At the end of June we will celebrate the ordination of Rev. Matthew Carlin to the priesthood. Matthew's ordination will be the first for our Diocese in over ten years. The ordination provides all of us with a unique opportunity to reflect on the Rite of Ordination and how it speaks to us as we all follow our different vocations in the Church. In this our second week of reflections, we'll consider how our Priests come from communities of faith – families, parishes and schools. Please follow our reflections on the *Paisley Vocations* facebook and twitter or on the parish social media sites. A limited number of accompanying booklets are available in the foyer. A sheet for each week will also be available in the foyer or in the bulletin.

THE MASS OF THE NEOPHYTES

The Mass of the Neophytes will be held on Pentecost Sunday 15th May 2016, in St. Patrick's Church, Greenock starting at 11am. Bishop John will meet the Neophytes and present them with a small memento of the occasion

NEW DAWN

Mon 4th - Fri 8th July 2016, Madras College, St Andrews
New Dawn in Scotland is now in its 7th year. This is a family conference with a youth stream for secondary aged young people. It is a Catholic conference which is Eucharistic Centred, Marian and Spirit filled. It is a 5-day celebration of our Catholic faith. The youth days are filled with daily Mass, talks, workshops, lively praise and worship, times of prayer, adoration, confession, drama with lots of fun and games. There is a Rosary procession through the streets of St Andrews on Thursday 7th July with the youth carrying the Scottish Youth Cross, followed by an open air Mass in the grounds of the Cathedral. The conference programme can be found on the New Dawn in Scotland website. www.newdawninScotland.com

FUNDRAISING MEAL

The Hospitality Group are hosting a fundraising dinner on 20th May in Café 158. Cost £20. This will be our last event in Café 158 as the café is closing. Please support this event. See Margaret Martin or Rosaleen Reilly to book.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, through Christ Our Lord,

Amen