

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: Saturday after 10:00am Mass, between 4:00pm and 4:25pm, and after the Vigil Mass.

ROSARY: Weekdays in the Church/Oratory after Mass; Saturday before 10.00am Mass; Friday 3:00pm-4:00pm in the Oratory.

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

4th May 2014 - Third Sunday of Easter

Last week's Offertory Collection £2100

SMARTIES APPEAL FOR HALL ROOF

New tubes of smarties are available for parishioners to take home. Please take a tube of smarties, enjoy the smarties and then fill the tube with 20ps or £1 coins. If you pay tax, please complete the info on the side of the tube- either your NEW gift aid box number or name and address.

FIRST COMMUNIONS MAY 17TH

These will take place on Saturday 17th May. St Mark's Mass will be at 10.00am and St John's at 1.00pm. **Please note** that due to the large number of pupils making their First Holy Communion on Saturday 17th May at the 10.00am St Mark's Mass ONLY, entry to that Mass will be by ticket only. The car park will also only be available to those with car passes. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

St John's Mass is not ticketed but bear in mind that the capacity of the church is approx. 700.

SSVP BUS TO MASS

There is now a need for new volunteers to help those who come to mass on the bus provided by the SSVP. If you would like to volunteer please give your name and a contact number to Fr Paul.

PIETY STALL

The piety stall has a variety of First Communion memorabilia and gifts such as Rosaries, prayer books, cards, crosses, gift wallets and more. Please feel free to come in and browse.

RECEPTION OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD FROM THE CHALICE.

You are kindly asked to remove all lipstick before receiving from the chalice. It is almost impossible to remove this from the purificators and thus leaves marks on them.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

The second collection this week is for the parish building fund.

BELL SPONSORSHIP

Please complete one of the green sheets to sponsor the parish bell for a day in memory of a loved one, a birthday or special anniversary. A certificate will be given to commemorate the sponsorship. The cost this year will be £10.

FOOD BANK

Donations are still needed for the Barrhead food bank. These are urgently required: Cereals, tins of Fish, Creamed Rice, Tomatoes, jars of Pasta Sauce, and cartons of Juice.

BAPTISM COURSE

We propose starting a Baptismal Information evening on first Wednesday of each month commencing Wednesday 7th May. If you are planning a Baptism for your children please speak to Fr Paul or Deacon Brian in time to attend one of the information evenings prior to your child's Baptism. Preferably parents and if possible at least one Godparent to attend. The meetings will last approx. one hour and will consist of watching a DVD which looks at the role of Parents and Godparents in the actual Ceremony and in the life of the child being brought up Catholic. This will be followed by a short question and answer session. The meetings will take place at 7 PM in the Tea Room.

SSVP

The Easter edition of the Ozanam News is available at the back of the church please TAKE ONE home to read.

MAY YOUTH EVENT

This takes place on Sunday 25th May 2014 and is a family sponsored walk from Lunderston Bay to St. Ninian's, Gourock, from 3pm – 7pm. There will be Mass and a BBQ after the walk. Transport available from Barrhead/Paisley. Please register by Monday 19 May. All forms are available from: www.rcdop.org.uk, youth@rcdop.org.uk and Facebook: Diocese of Paisley Youth.

BISHOP JOHN KEENAN

Our new Bishop will celebrate all the Masses on Sunday 18th May. This will include the 10am Mass when the children who have been confirmed, and those making their First Holy Communion will lead the procession, together with pupils from St Luke's High School. Bishop John will crown the statue of Our Lady and lead the procession with the children.

It has been suggested that the parish makes a gift to the new bishop. There will be a bucket collection at the end of Mass next weekend for anyone who wishes to contribute to this gift.

There will be teas in the hall after the procession on 18th May. Home-baking will be gladly accepted for this important celebration in our parish year.

**Good luck to all those sitting exams
St Joseph of Cupertino pray for them**