

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 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.

5th February 2017 5th Sunday of the Year

WORK ON THE HALL ROOF

The hall car park will be closed Monday- Friday each week

SPRED COLLECTION BOXES

Please return the SPRED box to the parish before 1st March. Many thanks.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From March 1st to April 9, 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Hardgate Road, off Shieldhall Road contact: Ogilvie2017@outlook.com.

12 O'CLOCK CHOIR

Choir practices will be starting on Thursday 9th February. Time: 7 pm Venue : Tearoom just by the oratory. Please feel free to join us or even to sample a practice. All welcome. Further information : 0141 580 9318.

ABC- Association of Barrhead Churches

If interested in becoming involved in this ecumenical group which acts as a link between the various churches in Barrhead. They are looking for new members. If interested please attend a meeting in the United Reformed Church Hall on Thursday 9th February at 7.30pm.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING- NEW DATE

The next training session for safeguarding will be held in **Friday 30th March at 7pm in St. Thomas' Parish in Neilston.** To register, please email safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk or telephone **0141 847 6138** stating your name and parish by 16th March.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION DAYS 2017

For engaged couples as they prepare to enter the Sacrament of Marriage. These will take place in the Diocesan Offices, Cathedral Precincts, Ince Street, Paisley, PA1 1HR. Cost £30 per couple (This includes information pack and lunch on the day). To book, please speak to your Parish Priest. **18 February, 18 March, 20 May, 30 September. 11am – 3.30pm**

1ST BARRHEAD BROWNIES

Meet in the Bourrock Hall on Thursdays at 6.15pm.

PRIESTS FOR SCOTLAND

Please pick up your free copy of our new magazine from this weekend. Pray for vocations from your parish community!

ST. PATRICK'S GREENOCK - PARISH MISSION

The St. Patrick's Community will return to St. Patrick's, Greenock for a second Mission from the 6th to the 10th of February at 7pm. Each 'mission night' has a different theme with talks from the group, prayer, music and a lot more.

FOODBANK

Please continue to support us. We are particularly in need of bags of sugar at the moment.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

This week's Second Collection is for the parish building fund. Next for Catholic Education

FUNDRAISING

With the hall roof work underway; there will be various initiatives for fundraising. As part of this, I would like to ask parishioners to think of ideas for fundraising, and invite individuals or groups to take the initiative and take these forward. Speak to Fr Paul about your ideas.

LOURDES HOSPITALITÉ

The Lourdes Hospitalité will be celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes with Mass at 10am on the **11th February in St Charles' Paisley.** There will be refreshments available in the hall after Mass. Please come along and help us celebrate.

PAISLEY FAITH FORUM

Spring Season for Young Adults

The Spring Season is on the theme Tough Questions Catholics Get Asked, and is part of Pope Francis' World Youth Day Challenge to Young People. How do I Understand the Mass and Big Words like Transubstantiation? Fr John Morrison, 16th February, 7.00pm. UWS Catholic Chaplaincy, Paisley High Street (above Hamish's Hoose).

PAISLEY PRO-LIFE MEETING

Sunday 5th February 7pm in St Mirin's Hall, Paisley. Come hear from our guest speakers fresh back from the Washington March for Life, the biggest pro-life event in the world.

ANNUAL WHITE MASS FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS

Archbishop Leo Cushley will celebrate the White Mass on **Sunday 12th February at the 12pm Mass** in St Mary's Metropolitan Cathedral, Edinburgh.

SYNOD MOVING ON IN 2017

2017 is the year for implementing our Synod. The Synod produced a ten point Charter for the diocese. Feedback from our priests recommended we focus on prioritising themes to tackle straight away at parish level. They reminded us our aim is evangelisation and taking our message out to our families, work and neighbourhood. The laity's challenge is to be confident to carry our Catholic faith out to everyone.

Charter points are: *Collaborative ministry* of clergy and laity working hand in hand; *Evangelisation* and sharing the Good News from our own personal faith; *Formation of the laity* so we know our faith and how to pass it on; *Welcoming parishes* where everyone feels they belong and are involved; *Positive focus on youth* by believing our young people are 'part of the solution'; *Openness to all families* no matter what their circumstances; *Outreach to the excluded* especially the lapsed, the poor and the lonely; *Reformed diocesan structures* that let our laity take on decisive responsibility; *Attractive Messengers* who are careful with language and how we proclaim the Gospel; *Good Communicators* who are creatively engaged with the issues of our times. Keep the this work in your prayers and ask for the intercession of Our Lady of Paisley, St Mirin & St Margaret. Do keep our *Synod Moving On in 2017* in your prayers at Mass, especially to Our Lady of Paisley, St. Mirin and St. Margaret our Synod patrons.