

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 March 2017 1st Sunday of Lent

LENT

Easter Sunday is 16th April this year. A small book called "Walk with me" with meditations for each day of Lent, is available at the Piety stall, priced £1. There will be 2 extra morning Masses on Wednesdays and Fridays in Lent at 8.00am and Stations of the Cross on Thursdays at 7.00pm.

40 HOURS ADORATION

This begins next Sunday after the noon Mass. There will be Evening Prayer and Benediction at 4pm on Sunday evening. Families and their loved ones who have dementia or Alzheimer's are invited in a special way to this celebration. Often the smells, sounds and sight of candles, incense, hymns evoke memories in people. All welcome to come along

Monday & Tuesday

Mass at 9.30am

Midday prayer 12noon

Holy Hour 7.00pm

Night prayer on Monday night at 9.45pm

CANDLES & FLOWERS DONATIONS- Candles can be donated to be lit during the 40 hours. We use lots of them over the period! Donations can also be made for flowers. Suggested donations are: large candles £5, small candles £3.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING- NEW DATE

The next training session for safeguarding will be held in **THURSDAY 30th March at 7pm in St. Thomas' Parish in Neilston.** To register, please email safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk or telephone [0141 847 6138](tel:01418476138) stating your name and parish by 16th March.

PARISH MISSION

Fr Nicholas Grace who is organising of our parish Mission called to tell me that the order now has 10 religious sisters able to come to Barrhead. We are still looking for someone to take 5 sisters, all of them, if possible from 15-24th September.

TEA ROOM- VIGIL MASS

We are currently looking to open the tea room before and after the 4.30pm Mass to allow parishioners a place and time to chat and meet their friends. Volunteers would need to open up at approx. 3.45pm, lock up for Mass and re open at the end of Mass for a short time. Perhaps tea and coffee could also be provided. Please speak to Fr Paul.

LENTEN TALKS AT ST MIRIN'S CATHEDRAL

Wednesday evenings 7-9pm - Understanding and Praying the Bible. Fr Birchall SJ & Dr Fletcher of the Ignatian Spirituality Centre, Glasgow. Two part sessions – first part is Mass in the Cathedral during which we shall look at ways of using the Bible for Prayer. The second part in the Hall is an introduction to the Bible.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

The second collection this week will be for our extra parish building fund.

EVENING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION– ALL WELCOME BUT PARTICULARLY THOSE AFFECTED BY DEMENTIA

You are warmly invited to Evening Prayer and Benediction on Sunday 12th March at 4pm. We particularly encourage people affected by dementia to join us. We encourage you to be part of our celebration. We will sing some of the older traditional hymns ensuring everyone feels included. Please get in touch if you have any questions or call Caroline Brown on 077 366 72003. The Free phone helpline number for Alzheimer Scotland is: 0808 808 3000

WORK ON THE HALL ROOF

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

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

Community Transport East Renfrewshire provides help for people to attend medical appointments at GP surgeries, clinics and hospitals. We are looking for drivers with their own cars as well as volunteers to drive our 'Wee Red Buses'. For more information call Anne Marie Kennedy on 0141876 9572

DVD OF THE SOLEMN DEDICATION OF ST JOHN'S

A DVD of the entire ceremony of wonderful night when Bishop John Dedicated the church last December has now been produced. It is a 2 DVD set, and will be something to treasure in years to come. It can be ordered from the Piety Stall priced £12.

12NOON MASS MEDITATION

<i>Attende Domine, et miserere, quia peccavimus tibi.</i>	<i>Hear us, O Lord, and have mercy, because we have sinned against Thee.</i>
1. Ad te Rex summe, Omnium Redemptor, Oculos nostros Sublevamus flentes: Exaudi, Christe, Supplicantium preces.	1. To Thee, highest King, Redeemer of all, We lift up our eyes In weeping: Hear, O Christ, the prayers of your servants. Refrain

This piece of music will be sung throughout lent at the noon Mass, with a different verse being sung each week. It speaks of our redemption won at such a price as the death of Christ.

GIFT AID

New offertory envelopes will be available soon for the start of the new tax year. If you pay tax please sign up to the Gift Aid Scheme. BY doing this the parish can claim an extra 25% on top of your donation. Forms are available in the Foyer.

NEW RECRUITS

This afternoon 4 new parishioners will attend a ceremony at the Cathedral to be recognised as official candidates for reception in to the Church at the Easter Vigil. We look forward to welcoming them to the Eucharist and becoming members of the Church.