

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, 11:30am and 5:00pm.

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.

8th September 2019, 23rd Sunday of the Year (Year C)

Last weekend's collections

The parish collection raised £1628.00. The second collection for the building fund raised £842.00. Thank you for your generosity.

This week's second collection is for the Pro Life work of the Church in Scotland.

Special Collection 7th/8th September: There will be a second collection this weekend for Pro-Life. The money is used to promote Pro-Life works in Scotland. The last amount raised from this collection by our Diocese, was £6,508.

Official Declaration of the SSVP to Support Life *The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is committed to defending life at all stages as well as the family.*

*This weekend the normal SSVP box collection will be suspended and the proceeds from **this week's box collections** will be added to the special collection used to promote Pro - Life works in Scotland.*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY has resumed at the 10am Mass. All children aged 4+ most welcome. *Please note, from now on, children will leave the church as a group at the beginning of Mass.*

NOVENA TO OUR LADY UNTIER OF KNOTS

Our annual Novena this Tuesday at 7pm. Pass the word please. All welcome.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) The RCIA will begin again at the end of September. It is aimed primarily at those thinking of becoming Catholic but is also open to those who have perhaps lapsed from the faith and are now returning after some years away. If you are interested in joining yourself or know anyone interested, have a word with Fr Joe or Fr Laurent as soon as possible.

GOODBYE TO JOE MCGILL, *Our seminarian Joe who has been with us on placement the past few weeks leaves after Masses this weekend. We wish Joe well in his continued studies in Rome and assure him and all our seminarians of our support and prayers. Please God, Joe will be ordained a Deacon next spring, so will visit us next summer to minister as deacon at our Masses. God bless you, Joe, and haste ye back to brilliant Barrhead!!*

VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

Coincidentally, this week 8th-15th September is Vocations Awareness Week. Please pray for all our current student priests as well as an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Annual Vocations Mass: This year our annual Diocesan Vocations Mass will take place on **Tuesday 10th September at 7pm in St. Mirin's Cathedral.** Please come along and pray for vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Consecrated Life in our Diocese. Refreshments will be available in the Cathedral halls after Mass. All welcome.

FOR THE ATTENTION OF ALL CHURCH VOLUNTEERS WITH PVG CERTIFICATES OR PENDING PVG CERTIFICATES:

volunteers doing or planning to do regulated work with children and vulnerable adults or both, should complete the Safeguarding Training, **Induction Part 1.** The next sessions will be held in the Diocesan offices, Ince Street, Paisley on:

Tuesday 24th September at 7pm

Monday 11th November at 10.30am

Please contact Sarah Jane at the Diocesan Safeguarding office

safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk or 0141 847 6138 to register.

Safeguarding Training, Induction Part 2:

The new Safeguarding Part 2 Training session, is for volunteers who have previously attended Safeguarding Training Part One, or Safeguarding Training Level one, more than 18 months ago. If you attended Safeguarding Training Level One in 2016 or 2017, you should put your name forward for Safeguarding Training Part 2.

Sessions are available on:

Thursday 5th Sept at 7pm, St. Mary's, Greenock,

Monday 9th Sept at 7pm St. Ninian's, Gourrock,

Tuesday 10th Sept at 7pm St. Patrick's, Greenock,

Wednesday 11th Sept at 7pm Our Lady of Lourdes, Bishopton,

Thursday 19th Sept at 7pm St. Mirin's, Paisley,

Tuesday 22nd Oct at 7pm St. Thomas', Neilston,

Monday 28th Oct at 7pm St. Conval's, Linwood,

Tuesday 29th October at 7pm St. John's, Barrhead,

Thursday 7th November at 10.3am St. Mirin's, Paisley,

Tuesday 12th Nov at 7pm St. Joseph's, Clarkston .

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A B C QUIZ NIGHT The annual Barrhead inter church quiz night will be held in St John's church hall on Friday 13th September 7pm for 7.30pm. Teams of four is the usual format but if you can't make a four, you are still most welcome. There is no charge for the event but donations of tinned goods for Barrhead food bank will be greatly appreciated. Tea/coffee and cakes will be provided. (St John's has won the past two years—can we make it a hat-trick??!!)

SACRED HEART COMPANIONS PRAYER

GROUP meets this Tuesday in the Oratory at 2.00pm. All welcome to attend.

ST LUKE'S LADIES NIGHT Friday 20th November at 7.30pm in Shanks Bowling Club. Please come along and support the High School. Tickets £3 from Paula on 07880928674 or Helen on 07816486743.

BARRHEAD FOODBANK is desperately in need to UHT milk, creamed rice, tinned fruit and juice. Any donations of any foods may be left in the usual place in the porch.

The relics of St Therese of Lisieux **St Therese of Lisieux in Paisley Diocese** **next weekend**

The relics of Saint Therese arrive in our Diocese next weekend!! You may have seen their arrival in Carfin where 5,000 attended the Pilgrim Mass and over 10,000 visited the relics with their personal prayers and petitions over the weekend.

Our Novena to her commenced on **Thursday 5th September**. The basic Itinerary is:

Saturday 14th September

5.30pm Reception and Vigil Mass St Mary's, Greenock followed by private and parish visits.

Sunday 15th September

12am-5am- All-night Vigil, 9.30am Mass and departure for St Mirin's Cathedral.

12noon Mass at Cathedral; Polish Mass

2.30pm; 5.00pm Evening Prayer and

Benediction. Parish and private visits between liturgies.

Monday 16th September

12am-6am All-night Vigil followed by masses. Mass at 12noon - open to all, followed by our farewell to the relics.

See leaflets and Paisley Diocese website for more details. Both churches will be open at all times while the relics are present.

St John's and St Thomas's have been asked to ensure cover and provide prayers for our allotted slot of 9pm-10pm on Sunday 15th September. If there are enough parishioners wishing to attend, the parishes will put on a bus to take us to and from the cathedral. If not enough for a bus, we will try to arrange lifts in cars. Please sign up TODAY on the sheet in the porch if you would like to go on a parish bus to the cathedral next Sunday night.

YOUTH COFFEE MORNING Sunday 15th

September in hall after 10am Mass. Please come along and support our parish youth.

Fr Joe will be away on his summer holidays the next couple of weeks which means Fr Laurent is holding the reins — Ugandan party time at Saint John's!!