

# 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.

## 12<sup>th</sup> February 2017 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year

### WORK ON THE HALL ROOF

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

### SPRED COLLECTION BOXES

Many thanks to all of you who handed in Advent SPRED boxes.

### 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](mailto:Ogilvie2017@outlook.com).

### SAFEGUARDING TRAINING- NEW DATE

The next training session for safeguarding will be held in **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm in St. Thomas' Parish in Neilston.** To register, please email [safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk) or telephone [0141 847 6138](tel:01418476138) stating your name and parish by 16<sup>th</sup> 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. To book, please speak to your Parish Priest. **18 February, 18 March, 20 May, 30 September. 11am – 3.30pm**

### PRIESTS FOR SCOTLAND

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

### SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Today's Special Collection is for Education. This collection supports the Scottish Catholic Education Service (SCES) which implements our Church's policy for our Catholic schools in the issues of national significance and supports our schools, parishes and Dioceses. The office supports two employees.

### FUNDRAISING

Many thanks for the fundraising suggestions. One of them was to use football cards. The parish could purchase a number of these cards, and you may wish to take some into work or sell teams to your family. Other ideas have also been submitted and are being looked at. Keep up the good ideas and think of how you can be part of our fundraising.

### 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).

### 100 CLUB DRAW WINNERS

1<sup>st</sup> Prize £140 No 46 G&M Herritty, 2<sup>nd</sup> £70 No 128 Marie Byrne, 3<sup>rd</sup> No 121 Mairi Goodwin, 4<sup>th</sup> £20 No 71 G&S Thomson, 5<sup>th</sup> £20 No 100 John Joe Reilly. Winnings can be collected from the Sacristy after Mass. N.B. any prizes not collected will be paid back into funds.

### 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 this work in your prayers and ask for the intercession of Our Lady of Paisley, St Mirin & St Margaret.

### 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. The more the merrier! We have already found accommodation for 5-6 sisters. We are looking for someone else to take the other 5 sisters, all of them, if possible. The mission is 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.

### WALK THE WHITHORN WAY WITH ST MIRIN'S PILGRIMS

Paisley to Lochwinnoch Section- Saturday 4th March, leaving at 9.00am from St Mirin's Cathedral. Please register at [pat\\_murdoch@hotmail.com](mailto:pat_murdoch@hotmail.com) with your name (and contact phone number) as further information will be posted to you by email.

**SACRED HEART COMPANIONS-Auxiliaries of the Sacred Heart**  
The Prayer Group will meet in the Oratory on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February from 1pm to 2pm.

### BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

A weekend will take place from 31<sup>st</sup> March -2<sup>nd</sup> April in St Mary's Kinnoull, Perth for those who find themselves alone again. Contact Ros on 0131 669 0003 or [rcm2524@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rcm2524@yahoo.co.uk)