

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, 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.

25th August 2019, 21st Sunday of the Year (Year C)

Last weekend's collections

The parish collection raised £1480.00. The second collection for the legacy fund raised £865.00. Thank you for your generosity.

This week's second collection is for the Legacy Fund.

WELCOME to one of our diocesan seminarians, Joe McGill, from St Joseph's in Clarkston who will be with us in the parish on placement for the next fortnight. Joe is about to start his sixth year of training in the Scots College, Rome: God willing, he will be ordained a Deacon next spring and a Priest for our diocese in 2021. Let's all give him a true St John's welcome!!

Funerals this week

Anne Bell Requiem Wednesday 9.30am

Novena to Our Lady Untier of Knots

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

DIOCESAN DAY PILGRIMAGE TO CARFIN

This year the Diocesan Day Pilgrimage to Carfin will join the Annual National Pilgrimage on Sunday 1 September 2019 which coincides with the presence of the relics of St Therese of Lisieux.

Mass will be celebrated at 3 pm. Unfortunately, due to the large numbers, there will be no procession after mass and no catering available. Parishioners are therefore encouraged to bring a packed lunch.

Please sign up TODAY if you want to go on the bus from the parish. Sheets in porch. BUS WILL LEAVE OUR PARISH NEXT SUNDAY AT 12.30PM.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY resumes next Sunday at the 10am Mass. All primary school age children most welcome.

Diocese of Paisley welcomes The relics of

St Therese of Lisieux: The relics will be in Scotland for two weeks in September. They will be in our Diocese from **14 -16th September 2019**. The relics will mainly be at St Mary's Church, Greenock from the evening of Saturday 14th September until the morning of the 15th. The relics will then be taken to St Mirin's Cathedral on Sunday 15th September until the afternoon of the 16th September 2019. All welcome to come and pray before the relics of the "Little Flower". Please our own Diocesan

website <https://rcdop.org.uk/news/st-therese-of-lisieux-relics-visit-scotland-2019> where we have more information on the schedule for our Diocese.

There are petition prayers at the doors of the church if you wish to fill one in and return it to the parish. These will then be placed before the relics for the duration of their visit to the diocese with Masses and prayers being offered for these intentions.

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.

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 7 for 7.30pm. 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??!!)

Girlguiding at St John's

1st Barrhead Rainbows Brownies and Guides meet in St John's Church Hall.

To register your girls(or as a volunteer) please go to girlguiding.org.uk and follow the links. We urgently need new volunteers (18+) for Rainbows on a Tuesday. Support and training is all available for volunteers.

Brownies restart for another year of fun the first Thursday in September!!

CHANGE TO MASS TIMES CONSULTATION

Thanks to all who took the time to return a slip over the week. Nearly six hundred of you returned slips which reflect your interest in participating in the life of the parish! The results are:

9.00am 33; 10am 240; 11am 228; 12noon 122; 5pm 224; 6.30pm 123.

As expected from dwindling attendance, our former Mass times of 12noon and 6.30pm were becoming more unpopular whereas there is almost a tie between the 10 and 11am times and a surge in support for an earlier Sunday evening parish Mass!

To accommodate as far as possible the preferred times, from next Sunday, 1st September, the new Mass timetable in the parish will be Vigil 4.30am, Sunday 10am, 11.30am and 5pm. Please pass on the word.

We know that whilst these times may suit the majority, they may not suit everyone but given the shortage of priests it's impossible to offer more than four Sunday Masses. Let's all pray for more Priests.

'Formed': St. Mirin's Chaplaincy Centre, 45 High Street, Paisley will be hosting a new club named 'Formed' on Monday afternoons 4.30-6.00pm beginning Monday 19th August. The session is open to anyone in the present s3, s4, s5 and s6. Please come along and meet new people and find out more about your faith! To find out please contact Fr. John Morrison on 0141 889 5056 or e-mail vocations@rcdop.org.uk. All participants are required to complete a consent form this can be obtained from your Parish Priest or from Fr. Morrison.

Annual Pilgrimage to pray for the Beatification of the Ven. Margaret Sinclair: Sunday 8th September, St Patrick's Church, Cowgate, Edinburgh: 2pm Holy Hour; 3pm Presentation on the Ven. Margaret Sinclair; 4.30pm Holy Mass; 5.30pm close.

National Youth Pilgrimage: The Diocese of Paisley is participating in the National Youth Pilgrimage to St. Andrew's on Saturday 31st August. Places are open to anyone in the present p7, s2 or s2. The bus will leave St. Mirin's Cathedral at 9.30am and return at approximately 7.30pm. Pack lunch and snacks will be provided. To book a place on the bus please contact Fr. John Morrison on 0141 889 5056 or e-mail vocations@rcdop.org.uk. All participants are required to complete a consent form this can be obtained from your Parish Priest or from Fr. Morrison.

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.

Youth to Lourdes 2020 #vision

The Pilgrimage will leave Scotland on Thursday 25th June 2020, will arrive in Lourdes on Friday 26th June and return to Scotland on Friday 3rd July. The pilgrimage is open to anyone in the present s3 - s6. The cost this year is £575.00. The deposit to reserve a place is £75. If deposits are paid, however, by or on Sunday 1st September we will be able to offer a reduced price of £535.00 #earlybirdoffer. Places are reserved only upon payment of the deposit and the return of the application form.

Our first group meeting will be at the St. Mirin's Chaplaincy Center, 45 High Street, Paisley on **Sunday 1st September at 1.30pm.** If you like to know more please contact Fr. John Morrison at St. Fergus', Paisley on **0141 889 5056** or e-mail vocations@rcdop.org.uk

For the attention of all Church volunteers with current 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.

N.B. Thursday 29th morning mass at 10am.