

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.

17th November 2019, 33rd Sunday of the Year (Year C)

EDUCATION WEEK

This week marks the beginning of Education Week when we give thanks and pray for our schools and all those involved in them. The week comes to a conclusion next Sunday with special participation at all Masses by our parish schools and a special collection to help fund the Bishops' Education Office.

SCHOOLS CLUSTER MASS There will be a special Mass here on Tuesday evening this week, 19th November, at 7pm to pray for all schools in the St Luke's cluster. Please try to come along to this Mass and show your support for our schools.

NOTE: TUESDAY EVENING MASS WILL BE AT 7PM.

Special Collection – 23rd & 24th November: This collection supports the Scottish Catholic Education Service (SCES) which promotes and protects our Catholic schools in issues of national significance, and supports our schools, parishes and dioceses. The national office supports two employees. In 2017 this collection and our Friends Campaign raised £17,469, which represents 59% of our diocesan expenditure of £29,500, resulting in a shortfall of £12,031, which had to be made up from diocesan reserves.

Last weekend's collections

The parish collection raised £1729.00. The second collection for the Legacy Fund raised £1009.00.

Thank you for your generosity.

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

MISSION BOXES Would anyone who took a wee coin box for the Missions in October, please return them so that monies can be counted and given to the Missions.

Pro Life Mass: This month's Pro-Life Mass is on **Wednesday, 20th November** in Blessed John Duns Scotus, 270 Ballater St, Gorbals G5 0YT. There will be Adoration at **6pm**, followed by Rosary at 7pm and Mass at 7.30pm. All welcome. The celebrant will be Fr Gerard Byrne.

St Luke's Christmas Fayre will take place in the school on Thursday 28th November, 6-9pm. There will be a variety of stalls along with tombola, raffles, music and dance. Entry for adults £1, children free.

EVENING MASSES FOR THE HOLY SOULS

There will be an evening Mass for the Holy Souls every weekday evening (Monday to Friday) throughout November at 6.30pm here in the parish. Please try to come along to join in praying for those we love who have died and for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory. Please pass on the message to friends and family in other parishes. All welcome.

NOVEMBER LISTS

November is traditionally the month of the year when the Church asks us to remember and pray for all our loved ones who have died. You will find November Lists at the doors of the church. Feel free to take one (or more) home with you and fill in the names of those you would like to have prayed for at Masses throughout November. You can return your list, with your donation for the Masses to be offered enclosed, in the box at the front of the church or hand them into either the sacristy or parish house. Every Mass in the parish throughout November will be offered for those whose names are on the lists.

MASS FOR ALL THOSE BURIED FROM THE PARISH OVER THE PAST YEAR

There will be a Mass to remember all those buried from the parish over the past year on Wednesday evening, 20th November, at 6.30pm. All welcome. *The parish SSVP will also be present at this Mass to pray for deceased members of the parish SSVP.*

JESSE TREE The hugely successful Jesse Tree project begins this weekend. Cards with gift ideas for needy local parish children are available at the Sacred Heart altar. Please feel free to take one but only if you are sure of buying a gift so as not to leave any child short. Please return gifts WITH TAG ATTACHED by no later than 1st December to enable them to be sorted and distributed to families well in advance.

Parish Christmas Ladies Night

Will be on 29th November 2019. Tickets £5 from the stall – Ann – Rosaleen. Get your tickets early.

“Keep Christ in Christmas” stickers. Margaret will be selling the stickers in the porch after Masses. All proceeds go to the Let the Children Live charity to help Colombian street children.

Advent Day for s3-6: The Diocese of Paisley will be holding a reflection day for young adults (s-3-s6) on **Sunday 17th November** at St. Mirin's Chaplaincy Centre, 45 High Street, Paisley. The day will be from **2-6pm** and will include **Mass at 5pm**. Net Ministries will be our facilitators. While the retreat is open to all young people from this age group there is an expectation that any participants in Youth to Lourdes 2020 should be in attendance. All attendees will be required to bring a signed consent form. These can be obtained from your school or your parish. For more information please contact Fr. John Morrison tel: 01418895056 or email vocations@rcdop.org.uk

Retreat Day for Primary School Pupils: The Diocese of Paisley will be hosting a retreat day for primary school pupils in p4-7 at **St. Cadoc's, Newton Mearns on Sunday 1st December 2-6pm**. The retreat day will include activities, Mass and the chance to meet new friends. All participants must bring a signed consent form. Consent forms can be obtained from your parish, primary school or by contacting Fr. John Morrison e-mail: vocations@rcdop.org.uk or tel 0141 8895056.

20-40 Network Escape Rooms Event : Aged 20-40? Our events are a great place for meeting fellow young Catholics. Don't worry about coming on your own, you'll quickly make friends as you battle to solve the clues and escape before the other team. **Sat 23rd November, 6:30pm, Merchant Square, Glasgow.** Just email 2040network@gmail.com to buy a £16 ticket or join our mailing list to find out about future events if you can't make this one.

St. Francis and St. Clare Prayer Group: Are you aged between 18-35 ? Come along to the Diocesan offices , Incle street ,Paisley on **Thursday 21st November at 7-9pm** St Francis and St Clare warmly invites you to an evening of prayer, intercessions , formation , talks and sharing our reflection this month is The Apostle of good example.

St John's Primary Shopper's Night

Thanks to all stall holders and people who came along to support our fundraiser. We raised a fantastic £1215.

Adoption Week Scotland: St. Margaret's Children and Family Care Society have arranged an information evening and open day for anyone considering adoption. **Monday 18th November** – ‘Our Journey to Adoption’ – Come along for a cuppa and an informal session where our adopters will share their story of what brought them to adoption. **6.30pm-7.30pm. Wednesday 20th November – Open Day** – There will be 3 sessions where experienced staff, ambassadors and some of the adopted teens will be on hand to have a chat and answer questions. Session 1: 10am-12pm, Session 2: 2pm-5pm, Session 3: 6pm-8pm. To register your interest please: **Call 0141 332 8371** or **Email info@stmargaretsadoption.org.uk**

Lourdes Discipleship Pilgrimage (18-21yrs) - Would you like to be involved in our Paisley Diocese Lourdes 2020 Pilgrimage, **26 June to 2 July** as young adults? You will join other young Catholics (18-21 years) for spiritual and pastoral, service and social initiatives in our new Lourdes Disciples Programme. Maybe you've been to Lourdes with Youth to Lourdes or just want to experience the Lourdes 'miracle' for yourself. If you're interested or would like more information please email Fr. Gerry McNellis (stninian@rcdop.org.uk). Limited to twenty places.

Migrant Help for Local Victims of Modern Day Slavery. Can you help?: Paisley Diocese has teamed up with our local Migrant Help UK to help find basic provisions for local victims of modern day slavery - men, women and children - being kept safe around our diocese. We are urgently appealing for the following items: clothes for a 7yr old boy and 4yr old girl, back packs, 2 pairs of ladies winter boots (size 8 and 6), ladies waterproof winter jacket (size 18/20), ladies trousers (size 6), ladies tops/jumper (size 6), male hooded winter jackets (any size), gloves, socks (any sizes), umbrellas, nail clippers, toiletries and toilet paper. If you can help them please drop in your donations to our Diocesan Offices between Monday and Friday by the end of November. Many thanks.

SPUC - Volunteer Speakers Required: SPUC (Scotland) has a network of local volunteers who work hard pro-actively raising awareness of the pro-life movement across parish communities in Scotland. Our local speakers motivate and inspire other parishioners to support SPUC's work, playing an active part in building a culture of life in Scotland. Would you like to be a part of our volunteer team, helping to spread the Gospel of Life? Would you like to join a national movement while being a local ambassador for the most voiceless member of the human family - the unborn? If so, email info@spucscotland.org TODAY!