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**Newsletter**

**The Twenty-Second Sunday of The Year**

**August 29th 2021**

*My dear parishioners at St. Mary's and St. Paul's,*

I hope this finds you well and enjoying the latter part of summer. I have been catching up with the celebration of sacraments postponed because of the pandemic, especially baptisms and weddings. One such celebration remains, the sacrament of confirmation with pupils who moved to High School in 2020. I look forward to celebrating this sacrament with some of our young people on **Saturday October 30<sup>th</sup> at 11am**. I ask parents who wish their son or daughter to be confirmed to contact me at the church house as soon as possible to enrol for this sacrament.

**The National Pilgrimage in honour of St. Joseph** will take place at Carfin Grotto next Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> September. Mass begins at 3pm and the principal celebrant will be Bishop Brian McGee of Argyll and the Isles. There will be an opportunity for Confession from 2 – 2.45pm and the bishops of Scotland will be among those hearing confession.

**Please note there will be no morning Mass at St. Paul's this Tuesday;** one of my oldest friends, Canon Michael Johnston, a priest of the Archdiocese of Edinburgh, is retiring on Tuesday. I will be travelling to his parish in Edinburgh to concelebrate his final Mass as a parish priest. Please remember Michael in your prayers.

**Holy Ghost Fathers, Carfin:** Autumn Fayre and Car Boot Sale takes place on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September from 10am – 2pm in their car park: why not book a pitch for your car? If you wish to do this please phone 07491 975 167

**I offer here the schedule for the days ahead:**

**Saturday August 28th: Vigil Mass at St. Paul's at 4pm and at St. Mary's at 5.30pm**

**Sunday August 29th: Mass at St. Paul's at 9.15am and at St. Mary's at 10.30am**

Monday August 30th: Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

Wednesday September 1st: Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

Thursday September 2nd: Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

**Saturday September 4th: Vigil Mass at St. Paul's at 4pm and at St. Mary's at 5.30pm**

**Sunday September 5th: Mass at St. Paul's at 9.15am and at St. Mary's at 10.30am**

**Please remember in your prayers:**

**All who are sick in the parish** and all who have asked us to pray for them.

**Recently Deceased:** George Frew, Mary Theresa Brannigan (Airdie), Winifred McGuire, Mary Morris, Elizabeth Finlay, Alan McKillop, Sister Joseph (Poor Clare Monastery, Bothwell), Sister Clare Reynolds (Lanark), John MacNamee, Johnny McKinnon,

**Special Remembrance**, Eilidh McHugh, Isaac and Cathie Smith, Kate Burns, Jim McMenemy, Jan and Mary Kozak, Ellen McCourt, Stefanja Johnston, and all our deceased relatives and friends and the benefactors of St. Mary's and St. Paul's, *requiescant in pace*.