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Newsletter

Twenty-Sixth Sunday of the Year

September 29th 2019

Church Services

Sunday Mass at St. Mary's:

Saturday Vigil, 5.30pm
10am, 11.30am

Sunday Mass at St. Paul's:

Saturday Vigil, 4pm
10.30am

Weekday Mass:

St. Mary's, Monday and Wednesday at 10am
St. Paul's, Tuesday and Friday at 10am

Rosary prayed each weekday after the Morning Mass.

Confession:

St. Mary's, Monday Morning after Mass and Saturday at 5 pm
St. Paul's, Tuesday Morning after Mass and on Saturday after Mass.

Monday 7pm: Novena at St. Mary's in honour of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's in the side chapel Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from after Mass until 2pm, and at St. Paul's on a Tuesday from after Mass until 2pm

This is a sacred space for those who would like to pray in silence before the Blessed Sacrament

Extraordinary Month of Mission October 2019: throughout October Pope Francis calls us all to renew our missionary commitment during this special month of prayer and action:

Who, me?

At baptism we were given a special mission to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all peoples.

Why

Everyone has the right to hear the Gospel: the Good News that God loves them unconditionally and that love is stronger than death.

What Mission?

Jesus calls us to share the blessings we have received with others, beginning with the gift of faith.

Where?

Half the world has never heard of Jesus! Christ sends us, his Church, to reveal and to communicate the love of God to all nations. He calls us to bear witness to him, especially in situations of poverty, persecution and marginalisation throughout the world.

We still have an enormous task to accomplish:

Please remember in your prayers the special Missio Scotland visit to Uganda which will take place in October; we have three young parishioners making the journey: Jack McPake, Emma Boyle and Genevieve Linden.

Missio is proud to be the Pope's charity for world mission: missio.org.uk/emm

Diocese of Motherwell, “Baptised and Sent”: during October, in response to Pope Francis’ chosen theme for the month, “*Baptised and Sent: The Church of Christ on Mission in the World,*” over four evenings we will reflect on the biblical themes, “Created, Called, Made Holy, Sent.” Reflections take place at The Xavier Centre, Carfin on Thursday evenings: 3rd October “*Created*”, 10th October “*Called*”, 24th October “*Made Holy*”, and 31st October, “*Sent*”, 7.15 – 9pm; no need to book, just come along on the night. *All welcome.*

The Beginning Experience is holding a special weekend for those women and men who find themselves suffering bereavement through separation, divorce, or death. The loss of a loved one is one of life’s most traumatic experiences. It can result in unbearable feelings of grief and loneliness. The Beginning Experience Scotland Team would like to help by offering “*a weekend away for a lifetime of change.*” This weekend will take place from 4th-6th October. For details, contact Catherine on 0131 665 3383.

Catholic Men’s Society (CMS) will meet in the parish meeting room on Monday 7th October after 10am Mass. This year the theme for discussion is “Our Church”, discussing some of the issues which face the Church at the present. The topic for the first meeting will be “Young people and the Church”, reflecting on last year’s Synod on Youth; new members to the CMS are always welcome,

Carfin Grotto: to mark the end of this year’s Pilgrimage Season there will be a torchlight procession led by Bishop Toal on Sunday 6th October at 7pm followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

St. Mary’s and St. Paul’s Walking Group meets on Tuesday mornings at 11am and walks for around one hour, starting from the Museum and returning there to have some tea and coffee. The walking group proves to be popular and new members are always welcome.
Just come along if you feel like it.

Credo, St. Mary’s and St. Paul’s Faith Sharing Group meets this Tuesday, October 1st in the parish meeting room at 1 o’clock. The group meets to reflect and share on some aspect of the Catholic Faith and then enjoy some tea and cake together.
New members are always welcome, just come along!

Registration for Caritas 2019/2020 is now open and the necessary form is available through Holy Cross High School; to read how the Caritas has enriched the lives of some of our young people in High School please go to the SCES website.

Enrolment for the Pope Francis Faith Award will take place soon at St. Mary’s Primary School and at St. Paul’s Primary School.

Members of the Hall Committee are asked to meet in the parish meeting room on Monday, October 7th at 7.30pm

Please pray for our parishioners who are ill at home or in hospital.

Please pray for those who have died recently: Canon John Healy, Edward Power, John Cook, Kathleen Mather, Alexander (Sandy) Kennedy, Mary Harvey, Maureen Moir, Betty Brennan, Pat McNutt, Eve Lace, Rebecca Dougan, Esther McGarrity, Noreen Anderson,

Special Remembrance: Joseph Lally, Peter Devine, Betty and Eddie Smith, John O’Neil, Olga Leviscis, Rose and George Terrett, Robert Daley, Tommy Daly, Isobel McGuigan, Michael and Elizabeth Burns, Mary Tonner, James and Helen Lennon, Nessie Lynas, Kathleen Lynas Sheerin and all our deceased relatives and friends and benefactors of St. Mary’s and St. Paul’s.

