



# St. Patrick's Parish

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5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
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## PARISH DIARY

Monday	9.30am	Mass: Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes World Day of the Sick
	10.00am	Divine Mercy
Tuesday	9.30am	Mass
Wednesday	9.30am	Mass
Thursday	9.30am	Mass: Feast of Ss Cyril & Methodius
Friday	9.30am	Mass
Saturday	9.30am	Mass
Sunday	5.30-5.50pm	Confessions
	6pm	Vigil Mass
	9.30-9.50am	Confessions
	10am	Mass

**COLLECTIONS** 27<sup>th</sup> January £570.55

**Aid to the Church in Need** – are coming on 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> February to appeal for your prayers and financial support. Please be generous in responding. This charity helps persecuted Christians throughout the world.

**200 Club** – the draw will take place this weekend so Helen will be at the back to collect the money.

**First Confession** – our P3 children will make their First Confessions on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm. To get ready for it there will be preparation sessions – for parents and children – after 10am Mass on the following Sundays: 24<sup>th</sup> February; 3<sup>rd</sup> March; 10<sup>th</sup> March; & 17<sup>th</sup> March. All the children, and their parents/guardians, need to attend these sessions to be able to celebrate the sacrament. All the parents also need to meet Canon Gargaro and show him a copy of the child’s baptism certificate – if you have not yet organised this please do so as soon as possible. All parishioners should make a special effort to pray for these boys and girls as they approach this big day – and set an example to them by frequently going to Confession yourselves!

**Archdiocese of Glasgow Lourdes Pilgrimage:** The annual pilgrimage to Lourdes, which is led by Archbishop Philip Tartaglia, will take place from 12<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019. Travel is by air from Glasgow. For enquiries please contact Joe Walsh Tours on 0141 530 5060 or e-mail [info@joewalstours.co.uk](mailto:info@joewalstours.co.uk) Sick/Assisted pilgrims should contact Mrs Agnes Findlay, 5 Crofthead Drive, Lennoxton G66 7HP, tel. 01360 312676.

**AN AFTERNOON WITH MARY:** At St. Joseph’s Home, Robroyston on Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 2.30pm. Rosary, Benediction, blessing of Roses and film, “Fatima, the Ultimate Mystery”. Tea/coffee.

**SCIAF’s WEE BOX 6K Family Fun Run:** This will take place on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at Strathclyde Country Park - 10am for 11am run start. Let’s unite to end poverty. Millions of people around the world continue to struggle to support themselves and their families because of extreme poverty, war and natural disasters. Your entry fee and sponsorship will help fund our life changing work. Every step you take will bring someone living in poverty a step closer to supporting themselves and living with dignity. Whether you’re old or young, running or walking, with family, friends or going solo, SCIAF’s WEE BOX 6K Family Fun Run can help raise money so the poorest can survive and thrive. Sign up online at [www.sciaf.org.uk](http://www.sciaf.org.uk) to show solidarity with people in need around the world.

**Lourdes:** An evening to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and its place in our lives will take place on Monday February 11th, 2019 at 7pm in The Immaculate Conception Church, 2049 Maryhill Rd G20 0AA. If Lourdes has featured in your life in any way, then come celebrate - all welcome! On the evening, there will be sharing of stories, images and video of Lourdes and, as at the torchlight procession, we will pray by candlelight. There will also be an anointing for all our needs. Music & prayer is by the St Margaret of Scotland Youth Group. Drinks and refreshments will be provided in the church hall and Lourdes mementos will be on sale.

**Craiglockhart:** To celebrate the centenary of the founding of Craiglockhart College of Education, a reunion rally has been planned for Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019 in Napier University Craiglockhart Campus. 10.30 Registration, 11.30 Mass, 1.15 lunch. Various events to follow. The cost is £40 per person, which includes a welcome drink, three course lunch and afternoon tea/coffee. For further information and application form please email [gripfast2019@gmail.com](mailto:gripfast2019@gmail.com) or phone Anne on 07762 575803 or Silvana on 07793 545 025 by 1<sup>st</sup> March.

**Fertility Care Scotland:** We are opening a new clinic in the Diocesan offices, Paisley on Monday evenings from 7 – 9pm. The first clinic will be on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February and will run every alternate Monday thereafter. We run clinics in Edinburgh, Hamilton, Aberdeen and Paisley. At Fertility Care Scotland we teach The Billings Ovulation Method of Natural Fertility Regulation, which helps couples achieve or postpone pregnancy in a natural way. We can help couples optimize their chances of conceiving. Our service is free and confidential and no appointment is necessary. We invite you to come and visit us at one of our clinics. Phone: 0141 221 0858; E-Mail: [info@fertilitycare.org.uk](mailto:info@fertilitycare.org.uk); [www.fertilitycare.org.uk](http://www.fertilitycare.org.uk)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**Recently dead:**

**Month's Mind:** Monica Keeney

**6 Month's Mind:** Rena Cavanagh

**Anniversaries:** Irene Byrne, Terry Walters, Neil O'Brien, Robert, Bob & Fraser Dalziel, John Francis Lee, Elizabeth Lee, The Lee family.



## MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE XXVII WORLD DAY OF THE SICK 2019 (abridged)

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

“You received without payment; give without payment” (Mt 10:8). These are the words spoken by Jesus when sending forth his apostles to spread the Gospel, so that his Kingdom might grow through acts of gratuitous love.

On the XXVII World Day of the Sick, to be solemnly celebrated on 11 February 2019 in Calcutta, India, the Church – as a Mother to all her children, especially the infirm – reminds us that generous gestures like that of the Good Samaritan are the most credible means of evangelization. Caring for the sick requires professionalism, tenderness, straightforward and simple gestures freely given, like a caress that makes others feel loved.

Each of us is poor, needy and destitute. When we are born, we require the care of our parents to survive, and at every stage of life we remain in some way dependent on the help of others. We will always be conscious of our limitations, as “creatures”, before other individuals and situations. A frank acknowledgement of this truth keeps us humble and spurs us to practice solidarity as an essential virtue in life.

Such an acknowledgement leads us to act responsibly to promote a good that is both personal and communal. Only if we see ourselves, not as a world apart, but in a fraternal relationship with others, can we develop a social practice of solidarity aimed at the common good. We should not be afraid to regard ourselves as needy or reliant on others, because individually and by our own efforts we cannot overcome our limitations. So we should not fear, then, to acknowledge those limitations, for God himself, in Jesus, has humbly stooped down to us (cf. Phil 2:8) and continues to do so; in our poverty, he comes to our aid and grants us gifts beyond our imagining.

I entrust all of you to Mary, *Salus Infirmorum*. May she help us to share the gifts we have received in the spirit of dialogue and mutual acceptance, to live as brothers and sisters attentive to each other’s needs, to give from a generous heart, and to learn the joy of selfless service to others. With great affection, I assure you of my closeness in prayer, and to all I cordially impart my Apostolic Blessing.