

St. Patrick's Parish

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Mass Times this week		
Monday 27 th April	10am,	Fourth week of Easter
Tuesday 28 th April	10am,	Fourth week of Easter
Wednesday 29 th April	10am,	Feast: Catherine of Siena
Thursday 30 th April	10am,	Fourth week of Easter
Friday 1 st May	10am,	Fourth week of Easter
Saturday 2 nd May	10am	Memorial: St Athanasius
Saturday 2 nd May	6pm Vigil	Fourth Sunday of Easter
Sunday 3 rd May	10am	

Morning Prayer: Monday-Saturday 9.45am

Confessions: 9.30–9.45 am; 5.30-5.50 pm on Saturdays

The church will be open Sun–Fri:8am–4pm (Wednesday 8am-1pm)

RECENT COLLECTIONS

19th April 2015 £339.40

TODAY, Good Shepherd Sunday, is World Day of Prayer for Vocations and there is a **Second Collection** for Ecclesiastical Students

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP on Thursdays at 7pm

NEW TO THE PARISH? Please see me after Mass to give me your name and address for our parish database.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES are now available for collection from sacristy

INTERNATIONAL NURSES DAY MASS on Tuesday, 12 May 2015 at 7.00 pm in the Glass Chapel, Carfin. All Health care workers and Friends welcome. For further information, please contact: janecharkin@yahoo.co.uk or 01475 725252 or 0131 665 3639

50TH ANNIVERSARY MASS FOR SCIAF

Archdiocese of Glasgow Mass to mark SCIAF's 50th Anniversary, celebrated by Most Rev Philip Tartaglia - Thursday, 30 April at 7.00 pm in St Andrew's Cathedral, Clyde Street, Glasgow, G1 4JY. After Mass there will be a reception in Eyre Hall. Representatives from each parish in the Archdiocese are welcome. Please RSVP to Andrew Forsyth on 0141 354 5555 or aforsyth@sciaf.org.uk

CATHOLIC EDUCATION COMMISSION OPEN FORUM

Members of the Scottish Catholic community - parents, teachers, clergy - are invited to this participate in this forum to discuss the theme: 'Developing Catholic Teachers and School Leaders to ensure the future of Scotland's Catholic schools'. The meeting will take place in the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road EDINBURGH EH9 1BB on the morning of Saturday 13th June 2015.

Contributors to a discussion about how will include teachers are being recruited, educated and supported will include Ken Muir, Chief Executive of the General Teaching Council of Scotland. The morning will begin at 10am with the celebration of Mass, led by Archbishop Cushley. It will finish with closing remark from Archbishop Tartaglia at 1pm. Please note that admission to this event will be limited to those who have booked a FREE PLACE on-line at:

https://cec20150613.eventbrite.co.uk

SETTING OUT ON THE ROAD - a new **CLPL Opportunity** for teachers wishing to teach R.E.

We are providing an exciting new opportunity for those who wish to teach religious education in Catholic schools and have not obtained a preliminary qualification to teach Catholic R.E. at the University of Glasgow. Successful completion of this course will lead to the award of a certificate of the Scottish Catholic Education Service, recognised by the Catholic Bishops of Scotland.

This course is intended for those who:

- are keen to teach in a Catholic school
- have completed, or are about to complete, a post / under graduate certificate in Education to qualify as a teacher
- want to update the knowledge and skills needed by a 'nonspecialist' teacher of Religious Education courses in a Catholic school.

This journey of professional and personal development begins with a 4-day summer school (30th June to 3rd July 2015) which will:

- develop understanding of the fundamentals of Catholic doctrine, faith and morals in light of Scripture, Tradition and Liturgy
- promote understanding of the vocation of the teacher as evangelist and catechist
- focus on the teaching of religious education in Catholic schools, including lesson planning using 'This Is Our Faith'
- support professional learning in these areas.

The journey will continue on into the following school year when participants will develop an R.E. Journal which will record their learning about, and practice in, Religious Education.

Please pass on news of this development to interested colleagues. The closing date for applications is 29th May 2015.

VOCATIONS PRAYER (Pope John Paul II)

Lord Jesus Christ, Good Shepherd of our souls, you know your sheep and know how to reach our hearts, open the minds and hearts of those young people who search for and await a word of truth in their lives; let them understand that only in the mystery of your incarnation do they find full light; arouse the courage of those who know where to seek the truth, but fear that what you ask will be too demanding.

You are the Word of the Father, the Word which creates and saves,

The Word which enlightens and sustains hearts,

Conquer with your Spirit the resistance and delays of indecisive hearts;

Arouse in those whom you call the courage of love's answer;

"Here I am, send me!"

VOCATIONS SUNDAY MESSAGE FROM POPE FRANCIS

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Fourth Sunday of Easter offers us the figure of the Good Shepherd who knows his sheep: he calls them, he feeds them and he guides them. For over fifty years the universal Church has celebrated this Sunday as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. In this way she reminds us of our need to pray, as Jesus himself told his disciples, so that "the Lord of the harvest may send out labourers into his harvest" (Lk 10:2). Jesus command came in the context of his sending out missionaries. He called not only the twelve Apostles, but another seventy-two disciples whom he then sent out, two by two, for the mission (cf. Lk 10:1-6). Since the Church "is by her very nature missionary" (Ad Gentes, 2), the Christian vocation is necessarily born of the experience of mission. Hearing and following the voice of Christ the Good Shepherd, means letting ourselves be attracted and guided by him, in consecration to him; it means allowing the Holy Spirit to draw us into this missionary dynamism, awakening within us the desire, the joy and the courage to offer our own lives in the service of the Kingdom of God.

(See full text online)

A Memo to Myself

I have a vocation from God.

If I already know what it is, I pray to be faithful.

If I am still searching, I pray to hear God's voice and to respond generously. Amen.

ON PENTECOST SUNDAY pray in your own tongue!

If you wish to write one of the prayers of the faithful and read it in your own language on Pentecost Sunday please speak to Fr Francis

Please Pray for: Sick: Harry Smith

Recently Died: Margaret Devine 6 Month's Mind: Sarah O'Brien

Anniversaries: John & Catherine Hart, The Hart Family, Sarah & George Stafford, Stafford Family, Boyle Family, Mary Jane Potter, George Duff