

St Peter's Catholic Church

NEWSLETTER



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2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C

17th January 2016

	CHURCH HEATING FUND	
	BALANCE STILL TO PAY	
	Initial Cost	£40,000
	December	£14,564.70

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

The offertory collection last week was £471.04 and £322.34 for the Building Fund. Thank you.

LOURDES HOSPITALITE

Booking forms are now available for the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2016. Volunteer helpers, trained nurses and doctors are required to assist registered pilgrims to have a safe and fulfilling pilgrimage. If you would like to know more or obtain a booking form, contact Anne Louise on 01475 638132.

CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK

Christian Unity Week takes place from 18th -25th January. During that week, there will be 15 minute daily meditation in the Cathedral Hall at 12.30 pm Monday to Saturday (18th-23rd January). On Sunday 24th there is a PACT Taize Christian Unity Service in Paisley Abbey at 4 pm. All welcome.

CALENDARS FOR SALE

A New Year has begun, Deo Gratias! If you've forgotten to get your 2016 calendar, don't despair, we have some beautiful religious calendars available in the stall at very reasonable prices.

SCIAF – Lenten Appeal 2016 WEE BOX BIG CHANGE

SCIAF are delighted to announce that for the second year in a row, the UK Government will match SCIAF Lenten donations pound for pound, as part of the UK Aid Match scheme. Please share this excellent news with your parishioners. To maximise this opportunity WEE BOXES will be distributed the Sunday before Ash Wednesday. You are encourage to use the collection envelopes for the 4th Sunday and fill out the Gift Aid section on the WEE BOX if you are a tax payer. Thank you.

SVDP

Due to the lack of response, the SSVP have withdrawn its offer of a taxi service for the time being.

TIMES OF MASSES

Morning Mass
at 10.00 a.m.

(In the Parish house Monday-Saturday inclusive, except for funerals and First Fridays.)

Saturday Vigil Mass
at 5.15 pm.

Sunday morning
10.00 am

**HOLYDAYS OF
OBLIGATION**

10.00 am. & 7.00 pm.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday
10.30-11.00 am.
4.30-5.00 pm.

BAPTISM

Sunday at 12 Noon.

MARRIAGE

Arranged by appointment.
At least six months notice is
required for preparations

INVESTING IN PEACE

This Service will be held on Thursday 21st January at 7.30 pm at Freeland Church, Bridge of Weir. It will be led by Kathy Galloway, Head of Christian Aid Scotland. There will be the opportunity for questions and discussion during the evening and there will be refreshments served in the hall afterwards. Parking available. This Service is part of a monthly series throughout Scotland to pray for peace in Israel and Palestine.

PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will be held on Wednesday 20th January at 7pm in the Church Hall.

PLEASE PRAY

FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK

Jim McIntosh, Christine Clark, John Ward, Anne Craig, Peter Smith, Christine McPherson, Eileen Knowles, Janet Ferguson, Elizabeth Lomas, Allister McNeill, Jonathon Arthur, Christine Hughes, Lynn Smith, Jean Alison, Irene Baillie, Rhian Docherty, Tony Browning, Susan Mullen, Annie Hampson, Rona Kinnell, Drew Meiklejohn, Gavin Lanigan, Mary Shannon, Nancy Heaton, Kathleen Boyle.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO HAVE DIED

Maria Thomlinson, Nan Shaw, William Egan, Father Colman McGrath, Winnie Friel.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME

Isabel Robertson, Margaret Parker, John Hughes.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

You are invited to participate in a four week, informal and relaxed reflection on how mercy is both experienced and expressed in our lives, in the scriptures, in our Church and in the work of the organisations who are part of Just Faith, as well as many other organisations which Catholics engage with, as your response to the call in this special Jubilee Year to act in mercy and for justice. The meetings will take place in the parish hall on a Wednesday evenings from 7.00-8.30pm on the following dates: 27th January; 10th & 24th February.

PAISLEY VOCATIONS

"There are a variety of gifts, but the same Spirit." Is the Holy Spirit leading you to share your gifts as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr J Morrison on 01475 720223 or email: johnmorrison1976@gmail.com

ANNUAL WHITE MASS

The annual White Mass for healthcare professions and workers and those involved in Lourdes hospitalite will take place in St. Mirin's Cathedral on Sunday 7th February at 12 noon.

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RETREAT IN POLAND

9th -16th April 2016

CELEBRATE THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

Meet living God and experience HIS mercy and the healing power of the Holy Spirit. Renew your relationship with Jesus and Mother Mary. The full week in Poland will include :

- five days English speaking retreat in Troniny-Albertów near Częstochowa
- a day in KRAKÓW-ŁAGIEWNIKI – DIVINE MERCY SHRINE /JOHN PAUL II SHRINE /The OLD TOWN
- a day in CZĘSTOCHOWA - JASNA GÓRA MONASTERY with a miraculous painting of BLACK MARY

The retreat is organized by MAMRE Community (www.mamre.pl) Polish Catholic Community based in Częstochowa diocese with affiliates in most dioceses in Poland and members abroad. Approximate cost is £450 which covers flights, 6 nights and full board in retreat house in Albertow/Troniny(most rooms are shared),1 night in a hotel in Krakow/Łagiewniki,coach transfers. No upfront costs apart from the flights which are to be purchased individually. There are a limited number of places available.

The flights (Wizzair) :

- from Glasgow to Katowice on Saturday 9th April at 19.15
- from Katowice to Glasgow on Saturday 16th April at 16.50

For more information email gosia.ruszczyc@gmail.com or phone 075489 25693

PART TIME EMPLOYMENT

Diocese of Paisley Secondary Religious Education Adviser

Over the role of the Secondary Religious Education Adviser is to contribute to, promote and support the faith development of our Secondary Schools, our staff and young people as faith communities. They will work under the direction of the Bishop, with the Director of Education as line manager, together with the Primary Adviser of the Diocese. Liaise with SCES and other educational agencies in the implementation of the NREC for Catholic Schools. Work with the Clergy, Head Teachers and Diocesan groups on developments within the national Religious Education Syllabus. Applications forms can be obtained by calling: - Colette Sweeney, Admin Co-ordinator on 0141 847 6135 or email: colettesweeney@rcdop.org.uk. **Closing date: Friday 26th February 2016 at 5 pm.**

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO ROME

To mark the Jubilee Year of Mercy, a diocesan Pilgrimage to Rome is proposed from 25th—29th September led by Bishop John Keenan. With a direct flight from Glasgow and staying within a short walk of St Peter's, the cost of the pilgrimage will be approximately £550 per person, B&B sharing a double room (single with supplement). At this stage we are asking you to register your interest to ascertain if there are sufficient numbers across the Diocese to make firm arrangements. If you would like to register your interest, please contact Fr Danny McLoughlin on 01505 612046 or email: paisleymercy@gmail.com

ACT OF FAITH PRODUCTIONS

Act of Faith Productions exists to present the Gospel of Jesus Christ in a unique and challenging way through music, dance and drama. These performances are performed by some of the youth in Cartsbridge (most of whom have never been on stage). They performed 2 shows in Eastwood Theatre last year which were fantastic, and the group have stepped out in faith and booked 9 dates at various Theatres this year. Please go to the website www.actoffaith.co.uk. To see when and where these productions are on - you may like to go along!

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

Today is World Day of Migrants and Refugees - 17th January 2016. The theme is *Migrants and Refugees Challenge Us. The Response of the Gospel of Mercy.* Though migrants and refugees are growing worldwide and this can challenge our traditional ways of life, Pope Francis urges us not to take the suffering of others for granted. Migration movements are now a structural reality and the priority must be to provide programmes which address (i) the causes of migration, (ii) the changes it entails (iii) its effect on the makeup of societies and peoples. Pope Francis reminds us that migrants are our brothers and sisters in search of a better life. This challenge to the societies who welcome them must be overcome in order to prevent the danger of discrimination or extreme nationalism. In welcoming the stranger, we welcome God and in the faces of others we see the face of Christ, so the Church cannot fail to act, realising we must respond with the Gospel of Mercy. For the full text see: <http://www.vatican.va/archive>

PRO LIFE MASS

This month's Pro Life Mass is on Wednesday 20th January at B1 John Duns Scotus, 270 Ballater Street, Glasgow. There will be Adoration at 6 pm, Rosary at 7 pm and Mass at 7.30 pm with tea and biscuits afterwards. The celebrant will be Fr Brendan Slevin OP.

YOUNG ADULT SOCIAL EVENT

All young adults (aged 18-30) are invited to a pub night hosted by the NET Ministries Team. Meet new people, learn more about future ministry events and enjoy food and drink at a local pub. Friday 12th February from 9.30—11 pm at the Flying Scotsman (Broadloan, Renfrew). We hope to see you there!

YOUTH TO LOURDES MEETING

The first meeting for the Youth to Lourdes Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday 24th January at 2.30 pm at St Patrick's, Greenock. Anyone who would like to take part in the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2016 as a member of the Diocesan Youth to Lourdes group, which helps with the sick and disabled pilgrims, is asked to attend. Applicants should be present in S4, S5 or S6. A refundable deposit of £50 should be paid before or at the meeting. The trip will leave on Thursday 20th June and return to Scotland on Friday 8th July. The cost will be £550 and include coach travel and full board in the ***Hotel Jeanne d'Arc. For more information please contact Fr John Morrison, St Patrick's, Orangefield Place, Greenock. Phone 01475 720223; email: johnmorrison1976@gmail.com or facebook/twitter - paisley vocations