St Peter's Catholic Church NEWSLETTER

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C



CHURCH HEATING FUND BALANCE STILL TO PAY Initial Cost \$40,000

Initial Cost December

£14,564.70

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

The offertory collection last week was £367.55 and £262.67 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.

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.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

The next evening of the *Rediscovering Mercy* course which the Parish Council are putting on the Church Hall, will take place *this Wednesday 27th January from* 7—8.30 pm. The first of these evenings on 10th January was well attended and people seemed to enjoy the experience. We hope that more people will be able to come this week. You do not need to have attended the first evening to attend this one. You can come to all or just one or two of the course nights. You will be most welcome. For your information, the last 2 evenings will take place on 10th & 24th February.

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.

24th January 2016

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

ST MARGARET'S

The Crib collection over the Christmas period amounted to £392.05. Thank you for your generosity.

MORNING MASS

There will be no morning Mass on SATURDAY 30th January.

LENT 2016

Ash Wednesday is on Wednesday 10th February

ROSARY & BENEDICTION

At St Mirin's Cathedral 5 pm every Sunday.

RCIA RITE OF ELECTION

The Rite of Election this year will take place in St Mirin's Cathedral on Sunday 4th February at 4 pm.

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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

Cathie Frate, Sarah Kearney, Patricia Murphy.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME

John Hughes, David Barclay, Mary McIntyre, Patrick Lavelle.

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

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 31st January to 6th February 2016

The theme this year is 'Learning to be Merciful'. There will be a letter from Bishop Tartaglia and a second collection for the Scottish Catholic Education Service, next Sunday 31st January. Bishop Tartaglia appeals for people to consider teaching as a career, and in particular, to consider teaching in Catholic Schools. Given the critical shortages of teachers we are now experiencing, he considers it most important that we all play our part to help fill teaching posts in our local schools. Please take an envelope from the back of the Church to put in the second collection next weekend.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION MASS

The Catholic Education Mass for the schools will take place in St Charles' Church, Paisley on Thursday 4th February at 7 pm. Michael McGrath will speak to our youth on 'Learning to be Merciful'. Everyone is welcome.

Website: www.stpeterspaisley.org Email: stpp2015@hotmail.com

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 MONAS-TERY with a miraculous painting of BLACK MA-DONNA

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 Adviser

Over the role of the Secondary 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

CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK

TODAY Sunday 24th there is a PACT Taize Christian Unity Service in Paisley Abbey at 4 pm. All welcome.

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 **TODAY** 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 presently 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

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Planning your wedding? Why not come along to one of the marriage preparation days held at the Diocesan Offices. The dates are: 13th February, 12th March, 14th May, 10th September and 8th October from 11 am till 3.30 pm. Cost £20 per couple including lunch. Interested couples should ask their parish priest to enrol them. At present the capacity for each day is 10 couples.

CHARITY NIGHTS COMING UP

Two Charity nights are coming up in St Mirin's Hall:-

A ballroom dance @Strictly Goes Bond' with a bond theme on Saturday 27th February (charity still to be confirmed) at 7.30 pm BYOB—cost £10 per ticket, but will include a cocktail and light supper. Contact M. Fender for tickets: 07908788494.

'Motown Brothers' on Friday 4th March at 7.30 pm. BYOB. Tickets cost £8 with proceeds to Leuchie House and Mary's Meals. Contact A. Butterfield 07938166163 and M. Fender 07908788494.

THE BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

The Beginning Experience are holding a residential weekend for those who find themselves alone again through divorce, separation or widowhood. The weekend will take place from 11th-13th March 2016 at the Conforti Centre, Coatbridge. For further details contact: Ros on 0131 669 0003 or email: rem2524@yahoo.co.uk

PAISLEY VOCATIONS

Are you being called to strengthen the Body of Christ through a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or the consecrated life? If you feel God might be calling you to the Priesthood, please come along to the monthly meeting designed to help men discern their vocation. The next meeting is on Friday 29th January at the Diocesan Offices at 7 pm. More details from Fr John Morrison on 01475 720223 or email: johnmorrison1976@gmail.com

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