

St Peter's Catholic Church

NEWSLETTER



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Parish Priest: Fr. Edward D Cameron
Permanent Deacon: Rev. John Morrison.

Fifth Sunday of Easter Year C **24th April 2016**



**CHURCH HEATING FUND
BALANCE STILL TO PAY**
Initial Cost £40,000
March £13,215.07

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

The offertory collection last week was £471.30 and £299.42 for the Building Fund. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS FR. EDDIE

Bishop John has appointed Fr Eddie as a Canon of the Cathedral Chapter. *The Parish wishes to congratulate him on this appointment and wish him well as he takes on this new role.* The Mass of Installation will take place on Friday 13th May in the Cathedral. More information about time etc. to follow.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's Liturgy starts again **TODAY** A new timetable is on the Board at the back of the Church. The Children's Liturgy takes place in the Church Hall during the 10 am Mass. Please encourage your children of school age to come along. It will help them to understand more about the Liturgy.

PARISH FETE

The parish fete will take place on **SUNDAY 22 May** after the 10am Mass. Please support the fete by donating any unwanted gifts or goods suitable for sale, raffles, etc. Items can be placed in the boxes at the back of the church. Tickets for the Grand Draw will be available for sale in a few weeks. Your help in selling raffle tickets would be gratefully appreciated. **(We cannot accept clothing or electrical goods.)**

Plants for the fete can be dropped-off at 26 Greenbank Drive.

CONFIRMATIONS

The children in Primary 7 of St Peter's School will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday 28th April at 7 pm in St Mirin's Cathedral. Please keep these children and their parents in your prayers also.

VOCATIONS

The collection last weekend for Vocations Sunday amounted to £218.00. Thank you.

RCIA

There will be **NO** meeting of the RCIA this Monday 25th April.

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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

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Following the good news that Fr Eddie has been appointed to the Chapter of Canons at St Mirin's, Deacon John would like to let the Parishioners know that it is a tradition of the Church for the Parish to mark the occasion by presenting the new Canon with his Canon Robes. Deacon John therefore, has arranged a collection for this purpose. Next weekend envelopes will be distributed at both Masses for you to return by the following weekend with any donation you may wish to make for Fr Eddie's Robes. Please do not hand them back to Fr. Eddie, but give them to Deacon John, Margaret Clarke, or any member of the Parish Council. You can also put them in the second collection, but only donations enclosed in the envelopes, put in the second collection, will be counted towards the Robes. Cash put in the second collection will be counted for the Building Fund. Thank You.

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, James Flanagan, Daniel Cameron.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO HAVE DIED

Elizabeth Bleach, Nancy Roy.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME

Patrick Parker, Frank Traynor, Bill McAuley, Norman Goodger, John Donaldson.

VIDES CLUB

The young people from St Peter's VIDES Group are holding a Car Wash and Coffee Morning on Sunday 8th May. Cars will be washed during the 10 am Mass and you are invited to come into the Hall for a coffee and a cake, after the Mass. This is a fundraising exercise so there will be a charge, but a reasonable one for a hand wash! This is in 2 weeks time, so remember not to get your car washed during the week or two before then.

EVENING OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION

You are invited to join us, Catherine Nolan and Carol Ann McLaren, for an evening of prayer and reflection, looking in particular at events after the resurrection of Jesus. This will take place on Wednesday 27th April at 7.00pm in the church hall. This is open to all parishioners and we look forward to seeing you there.

MONTH OF MAY

Next Sunday is 1st May and the beginning of the month of Mary. There will be Rosary and Benediction in the Church at 7 pm on Sundays. This will also be an opportunity to pray to Our Lady of Paisley for the success on the Synod which has already begun.

THANKS

The SSVP would like to thank Fr. Eddie and everyone who made our Parishioners' Meal on April 10th, such a great success.

WEEKEND RETREAT FOR HEALING AFTER ABORTION

A Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held near Glasgow on **Friday 24th – Sunday 26th June**. This confidential, supportive retreat is powerful for anyone who has been affected by their own or someone else's abortion experience. For more information, please call Sr Andrea on 07816 942824 or email Marene via the enquiry form on the website www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk (Closing date is 10th June).

MARIAN AGE PILGRIMAGES—KNOCK and LOUGH DERG/ DONEGAL 2016

Knock and Lough Derg - £250 Knock and Donegal - £320 **Monday 4th – Friday 8th JULY 2016** To book or for further information contact: Day – Anne – 07901873259 anne.doherty61@hotmail.co.uk or evening – Liam – 0141 569 1982 or email liam.coyle1@ntlworld.com

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 2016 We go to Lourdes as a Diocese on **Friday, 1st-8th July 2016**. There are still places available if you would like to join Bishop John during this Year of Mercy. If you are interested please contact Anne Louise Buchanan on 01475-638132

SHARING JONATHAN'S JOY

Jonathan Whitworth, one of student priests, will be Ordained to the Diaconate on **Sunday 1st May at the Pontifical Scots College in Rome**. God willing, Jonathan will be ordained to the Priesthood in the Summer of 2017. If you would like to send Jonathan a message - be it a guarantee of prayers or simply good wishes - please add it to the allocated thread on the Paisley Vocations Facebook site. You can also use our twitter at @vocationpaisley. If you don't use social media, please feel free to e-mail a message to johnmorrison1976@gmail.com and the message will be uploaded. It's important to encourage and support our student priests! In addition to Jonathan we have another two students studying for the priesthood at the College in Rome: Ryan Black (3rd year) and Joe McGill (2nd year). Deacon Matthew will be ordained a priest at the end of June. Please keep them all in your prayers!

AN AFTERNOON OF SONG - LIVE WITH HOPE CENTRE

Join us for an afternoon of song in St Patrick's Church, Orangefield Place, Greenock in aid of the Live with Hope Centre, Kenya. The concert will feature local performers including: Kieran Begley, Notre Dame High School Choir and newly formed chamber choir 'The Choirstarters'. The concert takes place on **Sunday 15th May at 3pm**. Tickets will be available on the door priced £5, children under 12 free. Please join us afterwards in the church hall for raffle and home baking. (Donations gratefully received). Please contact Gemma McLean on 07734064419 for any further information.

AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 MINUTES

Martin Aelred Comes to Paisley/Foxbar - **12th May 7pm** St Pauls Church. Free entrance with donation for local charity.

JUBILEE DAY FOR YOUTH

This Sunday's "Youth Jubilee" previews July's World Youth Day in Krakow. Its theme from Matthew 5:7, "Blessed are the merciful," echoes Pope Francis' warning that "the practice of mercy is waning in the wider culture." In countercultural witness, therefore, "the time has come," says Francis, "for the Church to take up the joyful call to mercy once more. It is time to return to the basics and to bear the weaknesses and struggles of our brothers and sisters." Jesus affirms the same in today's Gospel. "As I have loved you, so you also should love one another" (John 13:34). Francis concludes, "The Church's very credibility is seen in how she shows merciful and compassionate love." Jesus too asserts, "This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:35). Thus mercy "makes young" the Church, the world, and everyone. "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope" (Misericordiae Vultus, 10).

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NHS - VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

Do you have some spare time on your hands? Want to use your life experience to help others? You can make a big difference and gain valuable skills in a healthcare setting! All the NHS volunteers receive out-of-pocket expenses, induction training and regular one-to-one support from project staff. If you are interested and want more information, please contact Voluntary Services on 0141 201 0358 or at voluntary.services@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

Our Synod Prayer

(Please pray this prayer each day until the Synod is concluded)

God our loving Father, Who sent your Son to show us the way to live fully in the Spirit, Be with us while we walk together as a diocesan family, Preparing for our Paisley Synod. Help us to be people who will take on the mission of passing on your word, Sowing seeds of your love in the world. Send the Holy Spirit to guide us, To keep us united in purpose. And to give us courage for this journey of faith. Help us in our deliberations and discussions. To be aware of your presence, To listen to your voice And to discern your will for our diocese In the months and years to come.