

St Peter's Catholic Church

NEWSLETTER



Third Sunday of Advent Year A

11 December 2016

CHURCH HEATING FUND
BALANCE STILL TO PAY
Initial Cost £40,000
OCTOBER £9,845.50

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

The offertory collection last week was £499.62 and £330.93 for the Building Fund. Thank you.

HEATING FUND

Over the past thirty-nine months you will have noticed that the loan for the new heating system was steadily Decreasing. I am delighted to say that because of your fidelity and generous giving to the fund we will most certainly reach our target and pay-off the debt before the end of next year. It is quite a remarkable achievement and one that I am happy to boast about to my fellow priests. So, well done! A VERY BIG THANK YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND ONGOING SUPPORT. Last month's collection came to £377.50.

ALL DAY CONFESSIONS

There will be Confessions for Christmas in St Mirin's Cathedral from 9 am until 9 pm on Monday 19th December. Details of the Priests availability are on the back of this sheet.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY NATIVITY REHEARSALS

TODAY and next Sunday after the 10 am Mass, there will be a rehearsal for the Christmas Nativity on Christmas Eve. All the children who would like to take part and also those children who are doing singing parts must attend these two rehearsals and bring with them a parental consent form. If you do not have one of these forms, you can sign one at the rehearsal.

SCHOOL MASS

On Tuesday 20th December, the 10 am Mass will be in the Church with the children from St Peter's Primary. The end of term Mass.

TIMES OF MASSES

Morning Mass
at 10.00 a.m.

(In the Parish house Monday-Friday inclusive, except for funerals and First Friday's.)

NO SATURDAY MORNING MASS

Saturday Vigil Mass
at 4.45 pm.

Sunday Morning Mass
10.00 am

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Vigil at 7.00pm. & 10am.

RECONCILIATION
Saturday 4-4.40 pm.

BAPTISM

By arrangement with
Canon Eddie

MARRIAGE

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

FAIR TRADE STALL

There is a Fair Trade Stall **TODAY** after 10 am Mass, in the Hall. Please come along and support poor farmers and producers in Third World countries. There will be Christmas cards and other Christmas goods available, as well as the usual tea, coffee, chocolate, etc.

SAFEGUARDING

At the Masses on Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th December, the Safeguarding Co-ordinator for the Diocese will be here to update us on the policies and procedures now in place in the Diocese.

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Very Rev. Edward D. Canon Cameron
Assistant priest:
Fr. Robert Oduro
Permanent Deacon:
Rev. John Morrison.
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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, Nancy Heaton, James Flanagan, Nan Clarke, Joseph Donnachie, Kirtsy Roache, John Allison, Tony Browning, Paul Moran, Kenneth Ward, Deacon Paul Rodgers, Collette Barret.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO HAVE DIED

Gerard Begbie, James Brownridge, James Watt, Teresa McMeekin, Helen Cridge, Fr James Simcox

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME

TIMES OF MASSES/SERVICES IN ST PAUL'S

Rosary & Adoration:
Monday—Friday at 9.10am.

Morning Mass:
Monday—Friday at 9.30 am

NO SATURDAY MORNING MASS

Sunday Masses:
Vigil Mass on Saturday at 6 pm
Sunday Mass at 11.15 am

Holydays of Obligation:
9.30 am and 6.30 pm

Confessions:
Saturday 10.30—11.30 am

CONFESSIONS IN ST PETER'S

On Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st December there will be confessions available here in St Peter's from 7—8 pm.

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The offertory collection last week was £688.15 Thank you for your contribution.

PARISH MEETING

Thank you to those parishioners who attended last week's meeting for an update on the ongoing discussions towards a decision regarding the venue for the celebration of Mass and the Sacraments. I will continue to make enquiries, gather information and keep you informed about what is happening. You will be invited to a meeting in February when I hope to have considerably more information to share with you that will help in our discussions.

Meantime, thank you for your input, your patience, and your commitment to St. Paul's parish. The generous offerings you give each week in your collection continues to keep us afloat and contributes considerably to a better and more prosperous future. Well done!

SENIOR PARISHIONERS' MEAL

Thank you to the team who kindly provide a lunch for our senior parishioners. The meal has become an annual event that so many eagerly anticipate and enjoy so much in the company of friends. Thank you to the parishioner who kindly made a considerable donation towards the costs, it is gratefully appreciated.

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CHRISTMAS FAYRE

The fruits of hard work and dedication paid off last week and all who worked to achieve the magnificent sum of £2630 for the Christmas Fayre should be proud of themselves. The parish is so much better off for your time and hard work. Thank you. Everyone who supported the Fayre in whatever capacity is in our debt for their kindness and generous giving.

MASS IN CHURCH

Mass for Christmas Eve at 6pm and Christmas Day at 11.15 am will take place in the church to accommodate the numbers.

TIMES OF MASSES/ SERVICES

ROSARY & ADORATION
Monday-Friday: 9.10am.

WEEKDAY MASS
Monday-Friday: 9.30 am.

**NO SATURDAY MORNING
MASS**

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS
6.00 pm

SUNDAY MORNING mass
11 am

**HOLY DAYS OF
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9.30am & 6.30pm.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 10.30-11AM.
Or by request at any time.

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PARISH REGISTRATION

Further to the thoughts shared with the Parishioners who attended the Open Meeting last Sunday, at some point in the future you will be asked to vote on a proposal regarding whether the Church or the Hall will become the place of worship. Only those people who have registered as Parishioners will have a right to vote and the majority will decide the outcome. If you wish to register as a Parishioner of St Paul's, please complete a registration form, available at the back of the Church, and return it as soon as possible.



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Kathleen Bradley.

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Sunday Masses:

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Sunday Mass at 10 am

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(Vigil) 7 pm and 10 am

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ST MARGARET'S ADOPTION SOCIETY

St Margaret's Adoption Society's primary aim is the recruitment and assessment of prospective adopters. However, in recognition of the complex needs of the children, they have spent a number of years developing their Extended Post Adoption Support Services. Please pick up a copy of the letter from Bishop John at the door of the church which he has written following his visit to their Centre for the Family.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

The Scottish Safeguarding Service, an agency of Bishops' Conference Scotland, has released new Safeguarding Training as part of a suite of several levels of training to assist and inform all who are involved with vulnerable groups in our parishes. Level 1 is a 90 minute safeguarding training session for volunteers and forms a mandatory part of safe recruitment which also includes membership of the PVG Scheme (or a PVG Update). Safeguarding Training Level 1 for the Diocese of Paisley, Inverclyde Deanery, is being offered in: St Joseph's and St Patrick's parish hall, Wemyss Bay, on Tuesday, 17 January 2017 at 7pm. To register, please e-mail safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk or telephone 0141 847 6138 stating your name and parish, by 10 January, 2017.

DECEMBER YOUTH EVENT

Diocesan December Youth Event and Paisley Faith Forum and Christmas Party. "mercyforward "How to take the Year of Mercy forward in our Catholic Communities. Mgr Graham Bell, a Scottish priest who works in the Vatican Office for New Evangelisation that organised the Year of Mercy, is coming to speak to us at the closing event of the Year of Mercy for young people. Thursday, 15th December, 7.00pm, St. Mirin's Cathedral. This will also be the final Paisley Faith Forum Event of this season. Our new diocesan Youth Music Group will be playing together for the first time. There will also be a Christmas Party in the Cathedral hall afterwards.

EVENINGS OF REFLECTION AND PRAYER

The Spirituality Development Group of the Parish Pastoral Council invite you to spend a short time in prayer to reflect and pray on a variety of themes. Over the next year there will be 7 of these evenings as noted below:-

11th January 2017—New Beginnings.

8th March 2017—Lenten Reflection on the Trinity-Father.

15th March 2017—Lenten Reflection on the Trinity-Son.

22nd March 2017—Lenten Reflection on the Trinity-Holy Spirit.

3rd May 2017—Mary Our Mother.

ADVENT LITURGY OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 14th December. 7pm in St James', Renfrew. An opportunity to take some time out to reflect on the Meaning of the Birth of Christ and to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation

DIOCESAN MUSIC GROUP

If you are interested in being involved in the Diocesan Youth Music Group, please contact Father John Morrison as soon as possible at johnmorrison1976@gmail.com

HOLIDAYS FOR CATHOLICS

Holiday for Catholics in the UK. Catholic People's Week provides holidays for Catholics where, as well as fun things and making new friendships you also get daily Mass, talks, study and discussion. All ages and stages. Their website is at <http://www.catholicpeoplesweeks.org.uk/>

ROSARIES FOR THE MISSIONS

The Catenian Rosary group have been sending unused Rosaries to the missions since 2009. They are appealing for any surplus rosaries to help get them into the hands of those who love and cherish and pray them. Please send to Michael Blackburn, 164 Green Park Road, Halifax, HX3 0SP