

# St Peter's Catholic Church

## NEWSLETTER



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### First Sunday of Lent Year A

5th March 2017

#### WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

The offertory collection last week was £389.81 and £391.81 for the Building Fund. Thank you for your generosity.

#### VIDES FRIENDS' CLUB

Thank you to all who came into the Cake and Coffee morning held by VIDES last Sunday. It was well attended and raised £200 for the project.

Thank you also to all those who very generously donated cakes etc. for the coffee morning and to all those who gave donations of money over and above the cost of their coffee and cake. All the money will be used to help others less fortunate than ourselves.

#### SICK AND RETIRED CLERGY COLLECTION

The collection for the Sick & Retired Priests of the Diocese amounted to £251.90. Thank you.

#### LENTEN DEVOTIONS

You are invited to spend time before the morning Mass on Friday's throughout the Season of Lent reflecting on the Stations of the Cross. The meditation will begin at 9.30am preceded by the Rosary at 9.15am.

Morning Prayer of the Church will take place during Lent in the Oratory, Monday-Thursday inclusive, beginning at 9.45am, preceded by the Rosary at 9.30am.

#### FIRST CONFESSION

The children of primary four will celebrate their First Confession in the church on Monday 13 March at 7pm. Please remember the children in your prayers.

#### INVITATION

You are invited by Bishop John to the Investiture of two new Canons (Fr. Oliver Freney & Fr. Tom Boyle) at the Cathedral on Friday 17th March at 7pm.

#### FAMILY NIGHT

You are invited to attend a family games night in the parish hall on Thursday 30 March beginning at 7pm. Tickets cost £1 per person and are now available after Mass. Come along and enjoy the fun!

#### TIMES OF MASSES

**Morning Mass**  
at 10.00 a.m.

(In the Parish house  
Monday-Friday)

#### 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**

#### ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

In recent years the annual fundraiser took the form of a parish fete which generated on average £2500 for parish funds. It was a lot of hard work undertaken by a small number of parishioners who worked very hard to raise the money. After discussion it was felt that now was the time for a change, so to that end the team are planning a dinner dance and fun night in the parish hall on Friday 2 June beginning at 7.30pm. The evening will consist of a 3 course meal, dance, race night, stalls and much more. The cost of tickets for the evening is £15. You can purchase a horse for the race night at a cost of £2 and win yourself a bottle of whisky or Vodka. Tickets will be available a month before the event. Meantime, we appeal to your generosity for donations of bottles and unwanted gifts, please begin to bring them along next week.

#### 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, Kirtsy Roache, John Allison, Tony Browning, Paul Moran, Deacon Paul Rodgers, Collette Barret, Gussie Fisher.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO HAVE DIED

Gerry Gallagher, James McGrath.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME

Margaret D'Arcy, Jim Ritchie, Tony McGrath.

#### SIX MONTH MIND

Elizabeth Magee, Ina Gordon.

#### TIMES OF MASSES/SERVICES IN ST PAUL'S

##### **Rosary & Adoration:**

Monday—Friday at 9.10am.

##### **Morning Mass:**

Monday—Friday at 9.15am.

##### **NO SATURDAY MORNING MASS**

##### **Sunday Masses:**

Vigil Mass on Saturday at 6pm.  
Sunday Mass at 11.15am.

##### **Holydays of Obligation:**

9.30am. and 6.30pm.

**Confessions:** Saturday 10.30—11.30am.

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### WEEKLY COLLECTION

The offertory collection last week was £526.04 Thank you for your continued support and generous giving.

### 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.

### PROVISION FOR MASS AND THE SACRAMENTS

For a number of reasons It was necessary to change the meeting of parishioners from the 12th to the 19th March at 12 noon, please accept my apology for any inconvenience caused. It is essential that parishioners attend this short meeting to learn about all that has been done to date to help us make the appropriate decision for the long term future of the parish.

### SICK AND RETIRED CLERGY COLLECTION

The collection last week for the Sick & Retired priests of our Diocese amounted to £284.76. Thank you for your generosity.

### MORNING MASS

The Morning Mass will be celebrated at 9.15am in the Oratory, Monday to Friday.

### FAMILY NIGHT

You are invited to attend a family games night in St. Peter's parish hall on Thursday 30 March beginning at 7pm. Tickets cost £1 per person and are now available after Mass. Come along and enjoy the fun!

### FIRST CONFESSION

The children of primary four will celebrate their First Confession in the hall on Thursday 16 March at 7pm. Please remember the children in your prayers.

### INVITATION

You are invited by Bishop John to the Investiture of two new Canons (Fr. Oliver Freney & Fr. Tom Boyle) at the Cathedral on Friday 17th March at 7pm.

### TIMES OF MASSES/SERVICES

**ROSARY & ADORATION**  
**Monday-Friday: 9.10am.**

**WEEKDAY MASS**  
**Monday-Friday: 9.15am.**

**NO SATURDAY MORNING MASS**

**SATURDAY VIGIL MASS**  
**6.00 pm**

**SUNDAY MORNING Mass**  
**11.15 am**

### HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

**9.30am & 6.30pm.**

**RECONCILIATION**  
**Saturday: 10.30-11.30AM.**

Or on request.

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### FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Over the past few years, parishioners, under the direction and drive of a committed group of people have worked incredibly hard to generate much needed funds to meet the growing costs of running the parish. It is commendable and a credit to all of you for the support you have given and for the genuine concern you have shown for the wellbeing of the parish and its properties. Regrettably, we are not in a position of financial stability to stop fundraising. For the foreseeable future we must continue our efforts to generate as much income as necessary to achieve our long term objectives. I appeal **TO YOU** and ask that you consider joining the fundraising group which will meet in the parish hall after Mass on Sunday 5 March. **PLEASE COME ALONG!**



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**Rosary at 9.40am.**

**Morning Mass:**

Monday—Friday at 10 am

**NO SATURDAY MORNING MASS**

**Sunday Masses:**

Vigil Mass on Saturday at 4.45 pm

Sunday Mass at 10 am

**Holy Days of Obligation:**

(Vigil) 7 pm and 10 am

**Confessions:**

Saturday 4—4.40 pm

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**Marriage Preparation Days 2017.** For engaged couples as they prepare to enter the sacrament of Marriage. These will take place in the Diocesan Offices, Cathedral Precincts, Inle Street, Paisley, PA1 1HR. Cost £30 per couple (This includes information pack and lunch on the day) To book, please speak to your Parish Priest. **18 February, 18 March, 20 May, 30 September. 11am – 3.30pm**

**All night Vigil of Prayer and Adoration** in reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017 – 8pm.** Tyburn Benedictine Convent, 5 Mackerston Place, Largs, KA30 8BY. Opening: 8pm – Sung Night prayer with Sisters. Closing Mass: 8am - *Please note the Vigil is for men only due to the Benedictine Rule, details of women's event on request.*

**Taize Evening** in St Charles', Paisley after Mass at 7 pm on 27th March. All welcome. A good way to make preparation for Easter.

**Quiet Day of Prayer** – Staying with Jesus through his passion: A prayer journey with Saint Ignatius and Saint John of the Cross – **April 1<sup>st</sup> 2017** beginning at **10.00 for 10.30** finishing at 3.00pm at St. Columba's Parish, Renfrew

**PRIESTHOOD:** Thinking about training to be a priest in 2018? Contact Fr. John Morrison on 01475720223 or e-mail [johnmorrison1976@gmail.com](mailto:johnmorrison1976@gmail.com)

**Lenten Talks at St Mirin's Cathedral** - Wednesday evenings 7-9pm - Understanding and Praying the Bible. Fr David Birchall SJ & Dr Catriona Fletcher of the Ignatian Spirituality Centre, Glasgow. Two part sessions – first part is Mass in the Cathedral during which we shall look at ways of using the Bible for Prayer. The second part in the Hall is an introduction to the Bible.

**Is This Progress: The Challenge of *Populorum Progressio* Fifty Years on.** 18th March 2017m 9:30am - 4:30pm, Renfield St. Stephen's, 260 Bath St, G2 4JP. A conference on Pope Paul VI's encyclical, its legacy of Integral Human Development and what it means for Christians. Fr Donal Dorr and Duncan Maclaren. Tickets from Donna tel. 0141 354 5555 or [donna@justfaith.org.uk](mailto:donna@justfaith.org.uk)

This is a *Just Faith*, partnership of SCIAF, *Missio* and Justice&Peace to encourage faith into action

**Diocesan Finance Committee** - The minutes from the latest Diocesan Finance Committee Meeting are now available on the Diocesan Website [www.rcdop.org.uk](http://www.rcdop.org.uk) Issues discussed included Fundraising, the 2015 Audit, and various updates on work to parish buildings.

**SPRED** - Cormack Smith is raising money for SPRED by running a half marathon. If you would like to donate to this very special cause, you can go directly to Cormack's fundraising page at [https://www.justgiving.com/Cormack-Smith?utm\\_source=Sharethis&utm\\_medium=fundraisingpage&utm\\_content=Cormack-Smith3&utm\\_campaign=pfp-email](https://www.justgiving.com/Cormack-Smith?utm_source=Sharethis&utm_medium=fundraisingpage&utm_content=Cormack-Smith3&utm_campaign=pfp-email). Thank you for your support!

**Pope Francis Message for Lent 2017** - For nice spiritual reading that takes five minutes why not google Pope Francis' Lenten Message 2017. In it the Pope reflects on the parable of the rich man who passed by the poor man, Lazarus. His message reflects on how (i) every other person around me is a gift but, (ii) sin blinds me to my own narrow world and so (iii) the Word of God is a gift that sets me free from my narrowness to meet others in the joy of life shared. The Pope asks us to "find inspiration in this meaningful story for it provides a key to understanding what we need to do in order to attain true happiness and eternal life". He asks us to "pray for one another so that, by sharing in the victory of Christ, we may open our doors to the weak and poor," and he concludes that "then we will be able to experience and share to the full the joy of Easter."

**Pioneer Society—A short term pledge for Lent.** The National Council in Scotland will celebrate their Golden Jubilee Year in 2017. As part of their programme of celebrations they are promoting once again the "short-Term Pledge of Lent". Prayer leaflets are available on the table at the back of the church for those who wish to take the pledge. An evening retreat will be led by Fr Eamon Sweeney in St. Patrick's Church, Coatbridge, on Tuesday 21st March commencing at 7.00pm. All are welcome to attend.

**Catholic Education Commission** – Open Forum will take place on **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2017** from **10am -1pm** in St. Margaret's Cathedral Halls, John Street, Ayr, KA8 0BS. Theme is 'Developing as a Community of Faith and Learning'. To book your place, visit [www.sces.org.uk](http://www.sces.org.uk) or send an email to [mail@sces.uk.com](mailto:mail@sces.uk.com) or telephone 0141 556 4727.

**Ecumenical Evening prayer in St. Aloysius:** On the 9th March there will be an Ecumenical Evening prayer in St. Aloysius, Garnethill, at 7 pm. The music will be led by the St. Mungo Singers and the preacher will be Mgr. Peter Smith, who was so spectacularly cured of the flesh-eating illness recently - and who is convinced that he was cured, by the intercession of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair. All who know Peter are sorely relieved at the healing. He is an utterly credible witness with his feet firmly on the ground. All are welcome to the evening Prayer and to the refreshments afterwards in the Ogilvie Centre.

**Education: a necessary process for achieving peace in the Middle East?** A Craighead Conversation led by Professor Bart McGettrick. **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2017, 7 – 9 pm** at the Iona Community, 21 Carlton Court, Glasgow G5 9PJ. Free event. Donations welcome on the night. What kind of education do we need to enhance the flourishing of humanity? What does this mean for The Middle East? In this Craighead Conversation Professor McGettrick will suggest that we need to move from ideas of protest, divestment and sanctions to processes driven by hope, justice and love. Professor McGettrick is Chair of The Board of Regents of Bethlehem University, and he serves on a number of committees related to The Holy Land. He was Dean of Education at Glasgow University and at Liverpool Hope University. To book go to: <https://education4peace.eventbrite.co.uk>

**MARIAN AGE PILGRIMAGES to KNOCK and LOUGH DERG/ DONEGAL 2017.** Monday 3rd – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> JULY 2017. Knock and Lough Derg - £275, Knock and Donegal - £365. Single room supplements apply. To book or for further information contact: Day – Anne – 07901873259 [anne.doherty61@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:anne.doherty61@hotmail.co.uk) or evening – Liam – 0141 569 1982 or email [liam.coyle1@ntlworld.com](mailto:liam.coyle1@ntlworld.com)

**Lenten Reflection on the Trinity-Father - St. Peter's Parish Hall, 8 March 2017, at 7pm.**