



St. Peter's R.C. Church, Paisley

BULLETIN

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Please continue to follow all Government guidelines on "Track and Trace," social distancing and sanitisation including: the requirement to wear a face mask/scarf.
If you are not on any of the mass rotas for Tier 4 and would like to please contact Fr Andrew.

SAFEGUARDING: SAFEGUARDING TRAINING VIDEO FOR VOLUNTEERS is available to view on our parish website: [Safeguarding page.](#)

EVENING MASS: We are considering providing a Sunday evening Mass. If you would be interested in attending, please let us know. If you have a time suggestion, let us know (and if possible give a reason e.g. shift pattern etc.).

MASS: If you previously attended Mass in St. Peter's - or are new and would like to attend in the New Year on a regular basis - please let us know. Post a personal message on Facebook or send an email to StPeter@rcdop.org.uk This will let us know if we have to reform the Season Ticket system or introduce other solutions to cater for a change in demand.

S.S.V.P. Especially during this period of Covid-19 uncertainty, if you - or anyone you know - would like the assistance of St. Peter's SSVP **please contact Fr. Andrew. Do you know a neighbour who lives alone / has no support from social services?**
 If you cannot help, consider offering the assistance of the S.V.V.P.

VOLUNTEERS DURING THE PANDEMIC:
 We need volunteers to clean the Church after each Mass and to welcome and guide people into the Church in order to adhere to the Government's Covid regulations. We need more volunteers and if you think you could help in this way, we would be very grateful. Please contact Fr. Andrew for further information.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS
Thank you for your continued generosity; your financial support is very much appreciated especially during these difficult times of Covid-19.

HOLY MASS
 No public Masses during present Tier

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
 on request, outside in carpark

BAPTISM
 Not during present tier

FUNERALS
 (a maximum of 20 people)

MARRIAGE
 5 people



KEEPING IN TOUCH DURING THE PANDEMIC:

If anyone would like a Member of the Parish Council to contact them by phone from time to time, just to keep in touch and maybe have a chat and feel a part of the Community again, especially during this time of the Pandemic, or, if you know of anybody who is sick or unable to get out or living on their own, who might like a call, please contact Fr. Andrew to pass on your phone number. He will pass it on, with your permission, to a member of the Parish Council. If you are thinking of passing on another person's phone number for this purpose, you must get their permission first.

JOIN Us ON



<https://www.facebook.com/St-Peters-Catholic-Church-Paisley>



At each Mass we pray for those who are sick. Please let us know if they/you no longer need our prayers in this way.

PRAYER REQUESTS

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

May they find the healing and comfort they need especially:

Fiona Lamond, Catriona Burnett, Terry Bisland, Helen Doyle, Carol Gordon, Mary Moynes, Christopher Kelly, Catherine Gordon, Fr Pat Clarke

Please remember also their carers and loved ones at this time.

WE PRAY FOR ALL WHO HAVE DIED
May they share in the glory of the resurrection in new and everlasting life with Christ Jesus

Especially: John Gray, Catherine Gordon

Please remember also those who mourn their passing.

WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR ABOUT NOW ESPECIALLY:

Gordon McGregor, Bert Anderson, Stephen Hickey, Ina Maloney, John Nolan, David Orr

*Lord, hear us;
 Lord, graciously hear us.*

If you have any housebound social bubble family members who would like to receive communion please see Fr Andrew (social distance) about becoming a Eucharistic Minister for your family member, strict biosecurity will be maintained.

DIOCESAN NEWS

Inaugural Family Mass for the ‘Amoris Laetitia’ Family Year

Bishop John will celebrate a livestreamed Mass for families to mark the beginning of this special year proclaimed by Pope Francis. **11am on Sunday 21st March.** Families are invited to sign up for the livestream via the Marriage and Family page on the Diocesan website, where they can also download an order of service, submit petitions and contribute to a charitable offertory <https://rcdop.org.uk/marriage-family-life-2>

St. Benedict’s School Cluster: Food, Toiletries and Cash: A great Way to give Alms in Lent

Saint Conval’s Parish Linwood is providing 100 meals to local families every fortnight through their Hall kitchen and generous volunteer caterers. They are now embarking on a Lenten Alms Project to provide dinners for local families. They have already collected enough to get them half way through Lent and hope your donations get them all the way. You can leave your parcels in the parish house porch or post donations through the doorway.

Solemnity of St Joseph Thursday 19th March

Bishop John has asked parishes to pray for all those who have died due to the Covid pandemic, on the Solemnity of St Joseph. This was the day when churches closed for the first-time last year. Parishioners are invited to send names of those who have died due to Covid to their parishes. These names will be remembered on St Joseph’s Feast Day.

Justice & Peace: For information about issues of social justice, and to keep up to date with current campaigns, follow Justice & Peace Scotland on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram or check out the website, www.justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk If you wish to be more involved in the work of justice and peace email office@justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk. The staff will be willing to help you in any way they can. At the moment the office is closed and staff are working from home, Monday to Wednesday.

Beware Protect Scotland App Scams

If you are contacted by NHS (test and protect) it will be by phone on a single national telephone number 0800 030 8012. Scammers are contacting the public advising them that they have been in near contact with someone who has tested positive with Coronavirus and must get a test and self-isolate. They then ask for payments for various services. If the call is not from the above number please ignore it.

Online Marriage Counselling available during Covid 19 Crisis

Our diocese has a Counselling Service for Catholics Married in the Catholic Church with our dedicated Catholic Marriage Counsellor. If you are concerned about your relationship and feel you are both unable to reach a conclusion alone, it is likely that you will benefit from marriage counselling. The counsellor is there to maintain a neutral, non-judgmental position. For information or advice please email in confidence counselling@rcdop.org.uk

Vocations:

Think Vocation: “We are God’s work of art.” God has crafted each of us for some unique purpose. Could yours be found in priesthood, diaconate or religious vows? Contact Fr. John Morrison tel: 0141 8895056 or e-mail: vocations@rcdop.org.uk

Missio Scotland

is the Scottish branch of the Catholic Church’s mission aid agency. **Texting MISSIOSCOT to 70085** will donate a default £3, while MISSIOSCOT with any number between 1-20 after it will donate your desired amount (for example MISSIOSCOT10 will donate £10).

Community Circle of Prayer: Every Friday evening people gather **online at 7pm** for this half hour event simply consists of a little music, some readings and the opportunity to share our prayer petitions and support others in theirs. Each week there is a different broad theme. Why not spend half an hour with us this Friday in community and fellowship? You would be most welcome! To join please use the Zoom link. Just click and you are in! All Welcome.

<https://zoom.us/j/8510142970?pwd=UUtVa2ZhOFUxa2NSZmJCckZOek0rUT09>

The Renfrewshire Bereavement Network: a grief and bereavement service for families in Renfrewshire. The Network aims to provide support by offering access to the most appropriate advice, guidance and counselling available - all from a single point of access. People who need support will be able to self-refer. The service is available to adults regardless of their gender, social group or location. If you know of anyone who needs to get in touch with the Renfrewshire Bereavement Network, they can do so by calling 0800 038 6020 or by emailing: support@renfbn.org.uk. For more information visit: www.renfbn.org.uk

Research on the Wellbeing benefits of being Religious – University of Glasgow

Researchers at the University of Glasgow are interested in the wellbeing benefits of being religious. Catholics across the Diocese are being invited to take part in this 10-minute anonymous online study. You will be asked to answer some questions about your faith, your mental wellbeing, and to complete a short experiment in which you will identify emotion in voices. Here is the weblink to the anonymous study: https://exp.psy.gla.ac.uk/project?religion_wellbeing_study&auto

Alpha Course in the Catholic Context – Diocese of Paisley Evangelisation Commission

We know that 2020 has been a particularly challenging year due to the Covid-19 pandemic: lots of parishes are struggling financially; limitations on Mass attendance; parish ministries have had to reduce or stop altogether; continued social distancing has left priests and parishioners feeling disconnected and isolated; many priests feel overwhelmed and under resourced at this time. The idea of doing anything new can feel daunting, if not impossible. That's why, at Alpha, we want to help lighten that burden and equip parishes to raise leaders, share the good news of Jesus, connect people with each other and with God, and create community with other parishes. The team at Alpha - Catholic Context UK have developed new training for parishes in your diocese. This is a unique opportunity to be trained directly by the Alpha UK team to get up and running with Alpha Online. To register for training please click [here](#). If you have any questions, please contact Mike Roche at michael.roche@alpha.org.

Administrative Changes to Teacher Approval in the Diocese of Paisley

Father Joe Burke, Vicar General, now has the role of overseeing the Approval process. Applications and references for posts in the three local authorities within our Diocese should be returned to: Rev Joseph Burke, Teacher Approval, Diocesan Centre, Cathedral Precincts, Ince Street, Paisley PA1 1HR or email: approvals@rcdop.org.uk Please note that applications for posts in Our Lady of the Missions Primary School and St Ninian's High School should be sent to the Archdiocese of Glasgow in whose territory they are located: Archdiocese of Glasgow, Teacher Approval, 196 Clyde Street, Glasgow G1 4JY. Email: approval@rcag.org.uk Arrangements for the pastoral care of staff and pupils in these schools will continue to be the responsibility of the Diocese of Paisley.

Drumalis Retreat and Conference Centre

This retreat and conference centre is owned and run by the Sisters of the Cross and Passion in Larne, Co Antrim. There are a number of events happening here during Lent.

Marian Curran will offer 6 Monday mornings, 11-12.30 Lenten Lockdown Prayer: A Lenten Prayer Journey in Ignatian Spirituality
Justine Sweeney and Suzanne Hesketh will offer 5 Sunday evenings, 7.30-9, An Introduction to Ignatian Spirituality- Connect

Both of the above courses are free of charge although we would welcome voluntary donations.

Bookkeeper Job: The Diocese of Paisley is looking to employ a bookkeeper on a permanent part – time basis. Full details are available on St Peter's Parish website www.stpeterspaisley.org.

Novena to St Joseph

We invite you to join in a Novena to St Joseph beginning on **Wednesday 10th March until 18th March**, in time to celebrate the Solemnity of St Joseph on the 19th. There will be three celebrations of the Novena, as well as many parishes praying the Novena too. Please see details below. You will also be able to pray the Novena via parish and Diocesan Social Media. Your parish may also announce its own offering of the Novena.

Daily from 10th March- 18th March

Christ the King, Howwood at 4.00pm

<https://www.facebook.com/Christ-the-King-Howwood-Our-Lady-of-Fatima-Lochwinnoch-739797886170950/>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t69NL3N92xI>

St Margaret's, Johnstone will offer the Novena at 6.00pm each evening from 10th-18th March. It will also be recorded after each liturgy to be used as and when people can manage.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FWbJJXMFM8U>

Bishop John Keenan will lead the Novena immediately following the 9.00pm Rosary at approx. 9.20pm on his Facebook page.

<https://fb.watch/40sZJnbtSS/>

You may wish to send your Novena intentions to the parishes above, or to your own parishes if they are holding this Novena

Adult Education Talks

You are invited to our next talk on **Monday 15th March at 6.30pm** on The Social Doctrine of the Church by Mgr. Gerry Gallagher. Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://zoom.us/j/98755682864?pwd=SCtzMW9QZTZ5RIJzTWdtMzJBR3RGZz09> Passcode: 435655

SCIAF & Papal & Episcopal & St. Mirin's Fund - 14 March 2021

The proceeds of this collection are divided 75% to SCIAF and 25% to our new St Mirin's Fund. SCIAF is the official aid and international development charity of the Catholic Church in Scotland. It works in sixteen countries across Asia, Africa and Latin America to help the poorest in the world, regardless of religion, to work their way out of poverty. The St. Mirin's Fund awards small grants for good causes that promote the Kingdom of God among us, with special consideration to: children and young people, the elderly, those with disabilities and special needs, or suffering from poverty, mental illness, homelessness or refugees. In 2018 this collection raised £28,013, which represents 110% of our expenditure of £25,389 resulting in a small fund surplus of £2,624. The Papal & Episcopal Fund also contributed £15,000 from reserves to the SPRED Fund.

