

## MALAWI PROJECT

For a number of years now some of our younger parishioners attending Holyrood have had a wonderful experience in the summer going to Malawi to help with local projects there. This year, Caitlin Neilson (known to 5 pm Mass-goers as one of our young readers!) will be continuing that tradition. She will speak briefly at all the Masses this week about the plans for this year. If you can help Caitlin in any way with her fundraising there will be an opportunity after Mass. After the summer, Caitlin will have the opportunity to share her experiences with us.

## PRO-LIFE MASS

This month's Pro-Life Mass is on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> February in Bl. John Duns Scotus, 270 Ballater St, Gorbals G5 0YT. There will be Adoration at 6pm, followed by Rosary at 7pm and Mass at 7.30pm. All welcome. The celebrant will be Fr Dominic Quinn.

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

On Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> of February the 40 Days for Life Lenten Prayer and Fasting Vigil for an end to abortion will commence with the celebration of Holy Mass at 1pm in St Andrew's Cathedral. Archbishop Tartaglia will be the celebrant. The 40 Days for Life Vigil will then take place as before from Ash Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February from 8am until 8pm each day outside of the Hardgate Road entrance to the QEUH. The Vigil will close on Palm Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April at the QEUH. Please consider what you are going to do for Lent, come and pray for a culture of life here in Scotland and around the world. If you would like more information then please contact Ogilvie1615@outlook.com

## 20-40 NETWORK SUPPER CLUB:

aAged 20-40? We are hosting a supper-club networking event at The Butterfly and the Pig in on 7<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm. Tickets are £28 for a two-course meal from a fantastic menu plus coffee. Thereafter you can mingle in the bar with a live band and you have complimentary entry to the

neighbouring Buff Club. This is a fantastic opportunity to meet other young Catholics so please come along. Just email 2040network@gmail.com to buy a ticket.

## LEVEL 2 SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Attendance at Level 2 training is mandatory for all PVG volunteers. Please check the notice boards for details of available training opportunities and sign up by contacting the Safeguarding Team Jillian Whalley or Georgie Lanagan on 226-5898 or email safeguardingadministrator@rcag.org.uk to register. Only volunteers who register can attend the training. Please not a session is available at Christ the King which will be handy for many parishioners.

## NEWMAN ASSOCIATION

*"Reconsidering Catholic Experiences in Britain's expanding Atlantic Empire, 1600-1750.* A talk by Professor Scott Spurlock, Professor of Scottish and Early Modern Christianities, University of Glasgow, in The Ogilvie Centre, St Aloysius' Church, Rose Street, Glasgow, G3 6RE at 7.30pm on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2020. All welcome. Non-members: donation £3 - includes refreshments.

## CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS

Here is the timetable for the celebration of Sacraments for children in Saint Helen's for the coming year:

- **Confirmation:** Parents of children who expect to be at Holy Cross Church on Monday 17th February, should speak to Mgr Paul urgently to ensure their children are registered. They should attend preparation classes at Holy Cross Church on Saturdays 1st, 8th and 15th February from 10am-12.00pm. *(please note that children at OLA Primary or Saint Conval's will have their own arrangements since they are part of a different cluster)*
- **Reconciliation:** First Confession for children in Primary 3 will be on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March, with preparation

sessions in the parish for the three preceding Saturdays. Again, please come into the Sacristy and register your child.

- **First Communion** will be on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May at the 11.00 am Mass, again with preparation sessions on the three preceding Saturdays

## SEASON OF LENT:

For the last couple of years during Lent we have had an additional Mass on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7.30 am to allow people to go to Mass before work. A number of people have suggested that it would suit them better if it was a bit earlier – at 7.00 am. If you have an opinion on the matter, especially if it would allow you to get to Mass, please have a word with Mgr. Paul, or put a note in the suggestion boxes located in each porch to express your preference. Alternatively you can comment on Facebook. (PS Ash Wednesday is 26<sup>th</sup> February)

## SAFEGUARDING COMMITMENT:

Next Sunday at every Mass in the Archdiocese a statement will be made highlighting the church's commitment to ensuring a safe environment for young people and vulnerable adults.



## SICK

We remember all the sick of the parish.

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Sister Gemma, Hugh Columba Henderson, Anne Friel, Humphie Greer, Desmond Rowan

## ANNIVERSARIES

Frank Murray, John Scullion, Patricia Ward, Archie Craig, James Joseph Kelly, Stephen McGreal

## PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL

**St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defence against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen**



Thank you for your consistent generosity.

02/02/2020 offertory	£1,979.76
09/02/2020 offertory	£1,620.77

And thanks to the many who also support the parish with their time and talents!

*The drop in last week's collection corresponded to an obvious drop in numbers, probably on account of the very poor weather – a consequence of Storm Ciara!*

it is true, still less of the masters of our age, which are coming to their end. The hidden wisdom of God which we teach in our mysteries is the wisdom that God predestined to be for our glory before the ages began. It is a wisdom that none of the masters of this age have ever known, or they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory; we teach what scripture calls: the things that no eye has seen and no ear has heard, things beyond the mind of man, all that God has prepared for those who love him. These are the very things that God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit reaches the depths of everything, even the depths of God.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1S3:9, Jn6:68

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

### GOSPEL

Matthew 5:17-37

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not imagine that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets. I have come not to abolish but to complete them. I tell you solemnly, till heaven and earth disappear, not one dot, not one little stroke, shall disappear from the Law until its purpose is achieved. Therefore, the man who infringes even one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be considered the least in the kingdom of heaven; but the man who keeps them and teaches them will be considered great in the kingdom of heaven. 'For I tell you, if your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven. 'You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not kill; and if anyone does kill he must answer for it before the court. But I say this to you: anyone who is angry with his brother will answer for it before the court; if a man calls his brother "Fool" he will answer for

it before the Sanhedrin; and if a man calls him "Renegade" he will answer for it in hell fire. So then, if you are bringing your offering to the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your offering there before the altar, go and be reconciled with your brother first, and then come back and present your offering. Come to terms with your opponent in good time while you are still on the way to the court with him, or he may hand you over to the judge and the judge to the officer, and you will be thrown into prison. I tell you solemnly, you will not get out till you have paid the last penny. 'You have learnt how it was said: You must not commit adultery. But I say this to you: if a man looks at a woman lustfully, he has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye should cause you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body thrown into hell. And if your right hand should cause you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body go to hell. 'It has also been said: Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a writ of dismissal. But I say this to you: everyone who divorces his wife, except for the case of fornication, makes her an adulteress; and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery. 'Again, you have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not break your oath, but must fulfil your oaths to the Lord. But I say this to you: do not swear at all, either by heaven, since that is God's throne; or by the earth, since that is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, since that is the city of the great king. Do not swear by your own head either, since you cannot turn a single hair white or black. All you need say is "Yes" if you mean yes, "No" if you mean no; anything more than this comes from the evil one.'



### TIMES OF SERVICES

#### SUNDAY MASSES:

Vigil (Saturday) 5.30 pm: 9.00 am,  
11.00 am and 5.00 pm

#### MONDAY TO SATURDAY

Rosary at 9.30 am, Morning Prayer at 9.50 am and  
Mass at 10.00 am

#### CONFESSION:

Saturday 10.30 – 11.00 am  
Saturday 6.15 – 6.45 pm  
Thursday 7.00 – 7.30 pm

#### ADORATION:

Wednesdays from after 10.00 am Mass until 1.00 pm

#### ROSARY FOLLOWED BY NOVENA:

Thursday at 7.00 pm

#### HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION:

Masses on holy days of obligation are at 7.30 am,  
12.30 pm and 7.30 pm

### CONTACT DETAILS

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#### PARISH PRIEST

Monsignor Paul Murray

#### PERMANENT DEACON

Rev. Kevin Kelly

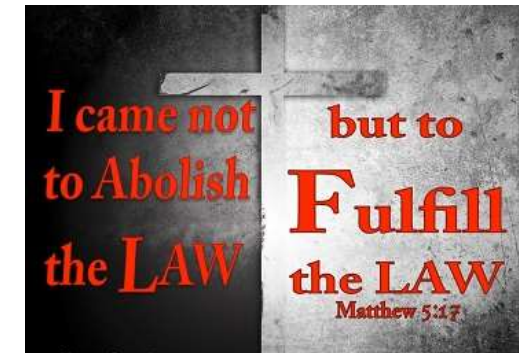
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# BULLETIN

16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2020  
6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR



### FIRST READING

Ecclesiasticus 15:16-21

If you wish, you can keep the commandments, to behave faithfully is within your power. He has set fire and water before you; put out your hand to whichever you prefer. Man has life and death before him; whichever a man likes better will be given him. For vast is the wisdom of the Lord; he is almighty and all-seeing. His eyes are on those who fear him, he notes every action of man. He never commanded anyone to be godless, he has given no one permission to sin.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 118(119):1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34

**R/ They are happy who follow God's law!**

### SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 2:6-10

We have a wisdom to offer those who have reached maturity: not a philosophy of our age,