PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who died recently, especially: Hyacinth Brogan, Claire Cairns, Thomas Lang, Agnes Markey **and the Months Minds and Anniversaries of:** Joe and Anthony Doris, James & May Duddy, James Mullen, Johnny Mullen

Please pray for all sick and housebound of the Parish: Elma Dolan, Baby Hope McKenna, Henry McVey & Margaret Rice. If you are sick or you know someone who is sick and would like to have the name printed in this prayer section, then please let me know.

MY DAY BY DAY BOOKLETS

We have arranged to provide a small number of "My Day by Day" booklets in the stall in both St Anthony's and St Mark's churches. These small booklets are very useful, providing the Reading(s); Psalms and Gospels for each day of the month which many people find helpful in preparing for Holy Mass. We have the booklets for August and September of this year available now—the price is £1.15 each. If we find that we have a higher demand for the booklets, we can easily increase our order. In the meantime we will continue to make them available for those who wish to use them.

ALTAR SERVERS

We are preparing to begin the new school term, which is a good time to appeal once again for New Altar Servers. If you are, or you know anyone who is, interested please come to either of the Following meetings: St Anthony's: Tuesday 23rd August; St Mark's Wednesday 24th August.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

I'd like to try and set up a bereavement group for the Parish. Suffering a bereavement is one of the most difficult experiences any of us will ever have to deal with. I'd like to offer the front room of St Mark's house as a venue for people who have recently suffered bereavement. The basis of the group is to allow individuals to share their experiences, feelings, emotions with others who are on the very same journey. In the sharing, often we discover new ways of coping, and begin to discover new strength and hope. If you are interested then please join us in **St Mark's House on Thursday 11th of August at 7.00pm.**

PARISH OUTING TO LARGS

Our SVDP group have organised a trip to Largs on **Saturday the 10th of September.** The Bus will leave St Anthony's after the 10.00am Mass, pick up at St Mark's and then head to Largs. The Bus will return to Rutherglen at 5.00pm. If you'd like to go, then please tell the Ministers of Welcome from the weekend of 6th/7th of August. Spaces are limited, and spaces will given on a first come first served basis.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE PLANNING

It has been proposed that we have two pilgrimages next year; one to Lourdes for a week after Easter and one to Lake Garda for a week in September next year. If you are interested in joining either of these pilgrimages then please tell the Ministers of Welcome, who will take your names and contact details.

We will have a meeting of the Pilgrimage planning group in **St Mark's House on Monday 8th of August at 6.00pm.** Please come to the meeting if you'd like to help organise our Parish Pilgrimages.

PARISH FINANCES

During the Covid lockdown, some parishioners arranged to make their offertory payments via the Diocese of Motherwell and continue to do so. The Diocese refunds this to parishes and I can tell you that, in the period January to July this year, we have received a total of £3060.00 for this. This is in addition to the weekly offerings we report in the bulletin. In future, we will try to report these monies on a monthly basis.

I am also pleased to report that we have received our Tax Refund from HMRC in respect of those who Gift Aid their offertory payments. For the financial year ended in April 2022, we received a total of £14,153.62 so many thanks to the Gift Aid members. In addition, parishes can also receive a fixed payment from HMRC based on the donations we receive which are not Gift Aided and this year we received a total of £4,000.00.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE 24TH OF JULY:

Plate collection including Gift Aid envelopes: £ 1320.09
Gift Aid to Bank: £ 650.00
Total: £ 1970.09

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THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (C) 31ST JULY 2022

PROPOSED GENERAL PARISH MEETING

Our general parish meeting will soon take place where we can discuss the organisation of the parish. All groups of the parish are therefore invited to attend the meeting and deliver a report on their group to the wider parish community.

The groups which currently operate in the parish are:

- Fabric and planning
- Finance
- Pastoral Planning
- Hall Management
- IT And Media
- Justice and Peace
- Parish Liturgy: Ministers of Welcome, Children's Liturgy, Ministers of Holy Communion, Readers and Musicians, Flowers.
- Parish Stalls
- Pilgrimage Team
- Ongoing formation, both for Parishioners and the RCIA
- Social and Fundraising
- SVDP

Guy Logan, the Diocesan Estates manager, has helpfully agreed to attend to discuss issues of interest or concern pertaining to the management of the Parish estate. I would particularly like us to consider what matters we will be able to progress in the future, now that we have managed to undertake a number of maintenance projects, with a view to producing a Parish Estates Plan which can be taken forward over the next few years.

I know that many of you will have your own ideas about what issues we should discuss, and I would encourage you to speak to me or email me at the parish with a note of the topics which are important to you before the meeting and theywill be added to the agenda.

The meeting will be in St Mark's Hall on <u>Monday 22nd of August at 6.00pm</u>. Please note the change in date to avoid the first week of the school term.

THE FRIENDSHIP MONDAY CLUB

A friendship club will meet in <u>St Mark's Hall every Monday from 1.30pm</u>. This is to provide an opportunity for members of parish community to meet socially and enjoy each other's company. A number of board games have been purchased and tea, coffee, sandwiches and cakes will be provided. Please come along for an enjoyable afternoon. If we get enough people, we might even get a game of Bowls!

THE EIGHTEENTH WEEK OF THE YEAR (C)

SATURDAY 30TH JULY

As Jesus continues to journey toward Jerusalem, he meets a man with a selfish demand—not at all in keeping with Jesus' mission to give his life for humanity. This man wants Jesus to settle a family inheritance dispute. Not only inappropriate, the man's request breaks an important domestic rule—never raise family disputes in public! Martha did this too, in the gospel of two weeks ago. Meanwhile, Jesus heads towards his death. Few people have noticed. (Readings: Ecclesiastes 1:2;2:21-23; Psalm 89; 2 Colossians 3:1-5.9-11)

At St Mark's

5.00pm Holy Mass for the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY 31STJULY

10.00am Holy Mass for the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time at St Mark's11.30am Holy Mass for the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time at St Anthony's

MONDAY 1ST AUGUST

THE MEMORIAL OF ST ALPHONSUS LIGUORI

St Alphonsus Mary de Liguori (1696-1787). Born near Naples and talented in the arts of music, painting and poetry, his first choice of career was law but, aged 27, he decided to be a priest. He worked among homeless youth in Naples and in nearby rural areas, became known as a preacher with simple and direct style and as a confessor who, although opposing moral laxity, rejected rigorist attitudes, such as Jansenism. In 1732 he founded the Redemptorist Order and in 1762 he was made Bishop of the see of Sant 'Agata de'Goti. He had a special devotion to Mary, particularly under the title of "Our Lady of Perpetual Succour"". Due to ill-health and difficulties with his active work, he resigned from the diocese in 1775 and returned to private life in his order.

(Readings: Jeremiah 28:1-17; Psalm 118; Matthew 14:13-21)

At St Mark's

10.00am Holy Mass for the Memorial of St Alphonsus Liguori

TUESDAY 2ND AUGUST

(Readings: Numbers 11:4-15; Psalm 80; Matthew 14:13-21)

10.00am Requiem Mass for Thomas Lang at St Mark's

At St Anthony's

7.00pm Holy Mass for Tuesday of the 18th Week in Ordinary Time, followed by the

Novena to St Anthony

7.30pm Meeting of the SVDP in St Anthony's House

WEDNESDAY 3RD AUGUST

(Readings: Jeremiah 31:1-7; Psalm Jeremiah 31:10-13; Matthew 15:21-28)

At St Mark's

9.30am Recitation of the Glorious Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary10.00am Holy Mass for Wednesday of the 18th Week of the Year

THURSDAY 4TH AUGUST

THE MEMORIAL OF ST JOHN MARY VIANNEY

St John Mary Vianney, Priest (1786-1859). Had to contend with poverty, military service and his own intellectual shortcomings in order to become a priest. In 1817, he was sent to care for the people of Ars, a small, obscure French village. The marvellous gift of the unlearned priest for seeing into the depths of the soul brought the world to Ars. From 1830 on, the Cure averaged twelve to sixteen hours a day in the confessional.

(Readings: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 50; Matthew 16:13-23)

At St Anthony's

10.00am Holy Mass for The Memorial of St John Mary Vianney

FRIDAY 29TH JULY

(Readings: Nahum 2:1-3:3:1-3.6-7; Deuteronomy 32:35-36.39; Matthew 16:24-28)

At St Mark's

10.00am Holy Mass for Friday of the 18th Week in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY 6TH AUGUST

THE FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

The Transfiguration of the Lord: Accounts of this event are to be found in each of the three synoptic gospels. The feast is, above all, the Father's reassurance that, despite the forthcoming crucifixion of his Son, we must not lose faith in him as our Saviour. He is the Messiah in whom the father is 'well pleased'.

(Readings: Daniel 7:9-10.13-14; Psalm 96; Mark 9:2-10)

At St Anthony's

9.00am-9.50am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **9.30am-9.50am** The Sacrament of Reconciliation

10.00am Holy Mass for the Feast of the Transfiguration of the LORD.

THE NINTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (C)

SATURDAY 6TH AUGUST

Given recent misunderstandings, it is not surprising that Jesus tries to clarify things for his disciples. First, they have nothing to fear—unlike those who need to justify themselves—because the Father is pleased to give disciples the kingdom. This is not as recipe for complacency: when Peter asks if Jesus is speaking only to them or to everyone, Jesus stresses they must remain focused, because the master may at a time return expectedly.

(Readings: Wisdom 18:6;-9; Psalm 32; Hebrews 11:1-2.8-19)

At St Mark's

5.00pm Vigil Mass for the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY 7TH AUGUST

10.00amHoly Mass for the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time at St Mark's11.30amHoly Mass for the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time at St Anthony's

12.15pm Tea and Coffee available in St Anthony's Hall

5.00pm Holy Mass for the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time at St Anthony's

NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART

We will begin to pray the Novena to the Sacred Heart immediately after Mass on Fridays, beginning on Friday 12th of August

BOOK CLUB

The Book club will meet once again on **Wednesday 10th of August at 7.00pm in St Mark's House**. If you enjoy reading then please come along and join us for lively discussion. Tea, coffee and sandwiches will be served.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

During the Pilgrimage season, Carfin Grotto has a procession and Mass in honour of Our Lady of Fatima on the 13th of every month. If you are interested in attending this event on **Saturday**, **August 13th at 7.00pm** then please let the Ministers of Welcome know, who will add your name to the list. A bus will be booked if we have

RETREAT

I will be on retreat on the Island of Iona this week. Fr Hennessy and Fr Donald will say Mass while I'm away. Ill be praying for everyone in the Parish, please keep me in your prayers as well.

PARISH HISTORY

We would like to develop a parish archive, particularly on the website. Do you have any photographs or other material you could provide? We are looking for photographs of events held in and around the Churches and Halls or schools, or other Parish events such as pilgrimages or other gatherings. If you have anything you can provide, you can email it to the parish or drop it into the St Mark's house.