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THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (C) 18TH SEPTEMBER 2022

MEMORIAL MASS FOR QUEEN ELIZABETH II

There will be a Memorial Mass for the repose of the Soul of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II **on Monday 19th September in St Mark's Church.**

OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

During the month of October we will pray weekly devotions in honour of Our Blessed Mother, Mary. The Devotions will be prayed every **Thursday at 6.00pm in St Anthony's Church.** The format of the devotions will be:

6.00pm The Angelus followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

6.15pm The recitation of the Most Holy Rosary

6.30pm The Litany of Mary

6.45pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

TUITION AND HOMEWORK CLUB

Thank you to those of you who attended the meeting of tutors in our Parish. It was decided to begin a homework club. This we hope to offer on **Thursdays from 3.00pm to 4.00pm in St Anthony's Hall.** Our volunteer tutors will be on hand to help local school pupils to complete their homework, and to help them with any school subject they need help with. This facility is offered to all school pupils of the local area.

We now have the beginnings of a tutoring service as well. The following subjects are available from now: **Business Management and Accounting, Drama, Biology, Chemistry, English, French, History, Italian, Maths, Modern Studies, Physics and Spanish.** If you are studying any of these subjects and feel you could benefit from free tuition then please speak to Fr Coyle, or contact the parish office.

CHILDREN'S MASSES

We have a Children's Mass at St Mark's this weekend **at the 10.00am Mass.** St Mark's Parent Council will be fundraising as you leave the Church after the Mass.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

The young adults group is an open discussion about our faith. It's an opportunity to ask questions, share opinions and discuss being a young Catholic in modern times. We meet in St Anthony's hall after 5pm Mass each Sunday

Each week we will discuss a different topic: **This week we'll consider imaginative prayer and how we can develop our own unique connection to the Gospel.**

If you have a topic you'd like to discuss or a question about the young adults group please get in touch with Fr Coyle. Suggestion boxes are also available in the porches of both churches, please feel free to use

THE TWENTY-FIFTH WEEK OF THE YEAR (C)

SATURDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER

This weekend's Gospel parable disturbs many people. Was Jesus really praising a dishonest steward? To understand this parable we should link it to last week's Prodigal Son story. In both parables, the characters were wise enough to look after themselves. Jesus uses an old teaching device of the scribes to say that if bad people can summon enough energy to save themselves, how much more should his followers do so for eternal life.

(Readings: Amos 8:4-7; Psalm 112; 1 Timothy 2:1-18; Luke 16:1-13)

At St Mark's

4.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation available
5.00pm Holy Mass for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER

10.00am **Children's Mass for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time at St Mark's**
11.30am Holy Mass for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time **at St Anthony's**
12.30pm Sacrament of Baptism of Denver Nicolle Gallagher **at St Anthony's**
4.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation available
5.00pm Holy Mass for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time **at St Anthony's**
5.30pm **Young Adults Meeting in St Anthony's Hall**

MONDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER

(Readings: 1 Corinthians 11:17-26.33; Psalm: 39; Luke 7:1-10)

At St Mark's

9.00am-9.50am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.30am Recitation the Joyful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary
10.00am Memorial Mass for the Repose of the Soul of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II
1.30pm **Friendship Monday Club St Mark's Hall**
7.00pm **RCIA Meeting in St Mark's House**

TUESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER

THE MEMORIAL OF ST ANDREW KIM TAE-GON AND PAUL CHING HA-SANG AND COMPANIONS

St Andrew Kim Tae-Gon and St Paul Chong Ha-Sang and Companions: The first was a priest (the first Korean priest-martyr), the second a catechist; they and all the others (101 of them, 98 being Korean, some bishops and priests, most lay men and women), were martyred in the persecution of the Church in Korea in the nineteenth century. Religious freedom was granted in Korea in 1883.

(Readings: Proverbs 21:1-6.10-13; Psalm 118; Luke 8:19-21)

At St Anthony's

6.00pm-6.50pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
6.30pm-6.50pm Sacrament of Reconciliation Available
6.30pm Recitation of the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary
7.00pm Holy Mass for the Memorial of St Andrew Kim Tae-Gon and St Paul Chong Ha-Sang and Companions: followed by the Novena to St Anthony
7.30pm **Meeting of the SVDP in St Anthony's House**
7.45pm **Meeting of Parish Halls Team in St Mark's House**

WEDNESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER

(Readings: Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 23; Romans 14: 7-17; John 14:1-6)

At St Mark's

10.00am Requiem Mass for the Repose of the Soul of Ian Smith R.I.P.
10.00am-12.00noon **Food Bank at St Anthony's Hall**
10.30am **Cuppa Club at St Mark's Hall**
12.00noon-2.00pm **Food Bank at St Mark's Hall**
6.00pm **Holy Hour with the Sacrament of Reconciliation**
7.00pm **Book Club Meeting in St Mark's House**

THURSDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER

(Readings: Ecclesiastes 3:2-11; Psalm 89; Luke 9:7-9)

At St Anthony's

9.00am-9.50am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.30am Recitation the Luminous Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary
9.30am-9.50am The Sacrament of Reconciliation available
10.00am Holy Mass for Thursday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time
7.00pm **Ongoing Formation Meeting in St Mark's House**

FRIDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER

(Readings: Wisdom 3:1-9; Psalm 23; Romans 14: 7-17; John 14:1-6)

At St Mark's
10.00am

Requiem Mass for the Repose of the Soul of May Boyle R.I.P.

SATURDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER

(Readings: 1 Corinthians 7:25-31; Psalm 44; Luke 6:20-26)

At St Anthony's
9.00am-9.50am
9.30am-9.50am
9.30am
10.00am
10.30am
11.00am-1.00pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sacrament of Reconciliation available
Recitation the Joyful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary
Holy Mass in Honour of Mary, the Mother of God
Sacrament of Baptism of Shay Carlin
Gardening Club at St Mark's Church

THE TWENTY-SIXTH WEEK OF THE YEAR (C)**SATURDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER**

In the story of the rich man and Lazarus it is interesting that the rich man, even after the fortunes of Lazarus and him have reversed, still thinks Lazarus is his slave who can be sent to his brothers to warn them. He even seems to think he can bargain with Abraham, who points out that those who do not listen to Moses and the prophets will not listen even if someone rises from the dead!

(Readings: Amos 6:1.4-7; Psalm 145; 1 Timothy 6:11-16; Luke 16:19-31)

At St Mark's
4.30pm
5.00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation available
Vigil Mass for the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER

10.00am Holy Mass for the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time **at St Mark's**
11.30am Holy Mass for the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time **at St Anthony's**
12.15pm **Tea and Coffee available in St Anthony's Hall**
4.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation available
5.00pm Holy Mass for the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time **at St Anthony's**
5.30pm **Young Adults Meeting at St Anthony's Hall**

MONTHLY BLESSINGS

Next Saturday the **24th September** we will have our monthly blessing of married couples. From next month we will have an additional blessing for families. The blessing of families will be the first Saturday of the month and the blessing for married couples on the last Saturday of the month.

THE FRIENDSHIP MONDAY CLUB

A friendship club will meet in **St Mark's Hall every Monday from 1.30pm**. This is to provide an opportunity for members of our 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!

SUGGESTION BOX

Throughout the month of September, suggestion boxes will be available in the porches of both churches. This will give you the opportunity to offer ideas and suggestions you may have regarding any aspect of parish life. The suggestions can be anonymous or, if you want to discuss your ideas, you can also provide your name and contact details. You can also email me, and of course just speak to me after Mass.

GARDENING CLUB & BULBS

The gardening club will meet **next Saturday 24th September in St Mark's garden at 11.00am**. Can we once again appeal for bulb donations. We particularly need Daffodil bulbs, but if you would like to donate any other spring bulbs then please do. The bulbs will be planted in the parish & school grounds.

PARISH CAR PARK LINING

The car parks of the churches will be relined this week. **St Anthony's** will be relined on Wednesday, and **St Mark's** will be relined on Thursday.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who will be baptised: Shay Carlin & Denver Nicolle Gallagher

Those who died recently, especially: Queen Elizabeth II, May Boyle, Ian Macintyre, Thomas Mullen, Matthew Stewart,

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially: William Egan, Margaret Higgins, Ann & Thomas McKenna, Gerry McLaughlin & Jim Patterson

Please pray for all sick and housebound of the Parish: Patsy Harkin, Cathie Maguire, Baby Hope McKenna, Henry McVey, May O'Donnell & Margaret Rice

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION DATES

The Diocese has released the dates for the Sacrament of Confirmation for the current school year:

St Anthony's: 27th February 2023 at 7.00pm; St Mark's: 8th February 2023 at 7.00pm

RELICS OF ST BERNADETTE

The relics of St Bernadette will be visiting Carfin Grotto from Saturday **24th of September until Friday 1st of October**. Please read the Bulletin insert for more information.

HALLS MEETING

Thank you to those of you who came to the Hall meeting. We will have another meeting **at 7.45pm on Tuesday 20th of September in St Mark's House**. If you are interested in helping to look after our Halls then please come to the meeting.

FABRIC MEETING

There will be a fabric meeting **at 7.30pm on Wednesday 28th of September in St Mark's House**. There are a number of issues to be discussed including the use of St Anthony's house., electrical testing and fire safety of both churches and halls.

FOODBANK APPEAL

We thank you for the support you have provided to the foodbank. At this time the foodbank requires the following items: packets of instant mashed potato or tins, tins of vegetables, toilet rolls, UHT milk. If possible also tins of fruit, custard or rice, pasta sauce, small jars of coffee, shower gel & toothpaste (brushes).

ONGOING FORMATION

Our Bible Study course will continue at **7.00pm on Thursday 22nd September in St Mark's House**. We will continue with **Genesis to Jesus part 10**. The work books can be collected from the Sacristies.

We are coming to the end of this initial course. We will have a week off and then begin the next course, which is **Parousia: The Bible and the Mass**. Why attend Mass? Our very lives depend on it. It's the summit of God's plan for our salvation. Join us to uncover how and why all of God's action, in creation and redemption, is ordered to the Mass.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Items of the uniforms of our Primary schools are freely available to anyone who needs them.

St Mark's uniform items are available from the School.

St Anthony's uniform items as well as **Loch Primary School** uniform items are available to collect every Wednesday from 10.00am to 12.00 noon from St Anthony's Hall.

SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING EVENT

A quiz night to raise funds for Ukrainian refugees will take place in **St Anthony's Hall on Friday 4th November**. Tickets are £5 each and will include a light buffet. It's BYOB (bring your own bottle). Tickets will be on sale at both St Anthony's and St Mark's from this weekend. Donations of raffle prizes will be gratefully accepted.

DAY BY DAY BOOKS

The Day by Day books for October and November are now available in the Parish Stalls..

BOOK CLUB

The next meeting of the Parish Book club will be at **7.00pm on Wednesday 21st of September in St Mark's House**. We are reading 'The Blackhouse' by Peter May. Please come along and join us.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE 11TH SEPTEMBER:

Plate collection including Gift Aid envelopes: £ 1584.49

Gift Aid to Bank: £ 552.00

Total: £ 2136.49