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THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST (A) 28TH MAY 2023



FOODBANK

This week we supported **101** families via our Food-banks which is an incredible amount.

We have to begin by acknowledging our wonderful team of volunteers who do so much to make the food-banks happen. We could not do any of this without them.

We then must thank you, our Parishioners, who faithfully support the work we do. Thanks also to Nith Valley Eggs, the parents and pupils of St Anthony's Primary School, Brian Haughey and finally The City Charitable Trust, who have agreed to support us in the longer term, enabling us to continue the work we are doing alongside our SSVP colleagues. We are nothing without all of your help.

This week our stocks are low so we would appreciate donations of the following items if possible; UHT milk, Pasta, Pasta sauce, Tinned veg, Tinned potatoes, Toiletries - deodorant, shaving cream, Nappies- size 4 & 5, Baby wipes, Washing up liquid, Washing powder / pods.

Donations can be left at the back of both Churches as well as in Burnside Butchers.

LAUDATO SI ACTION PLAN

We will meet this **Wednesday at 7:30pm in St Mark's House**. The purpose is to take action on how our parish responds to the environmental crisis. How can we become a green parish?

We will:

1. Reflect briefly on the questionnaire results.
2. Get a list of things we could do.
3. Get some actions that we will take here and now - things that are doable and that we will make happen.

THEATRE

Thank you to Karen Smith for organising another successful trip to the theatre. Everyone who saw 'The King and I' had a great time. Photos of the outing are on our social media accounts. There are 4 tickets left for Wicked on 3rd of January 2024 and 5 tickets left for Hamilton on the 12th March 2024! First come, first served, please add your name to the lists in the church, or speak to me or Karen.

THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST (A)

SATURDAY 27TH MAY

The Holy Spirit is given to enable the disciples to overcome division. In John this is the division from God, from one another, even estrangement from own true selves, which we call sin. In the Acts account, the division is ethnic and linguistic, with Pentecost now reversing the disaster of Babel. Can we let the Spirit do its work?

(Readings: Acts 1:12-14.; Psalm 26; 1 Peter 4:13-16; John 17:1-11)

At St Mark's

4.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation available

5.00pm

Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Pentecost

SUNDAY 28th MAY

10.00am

Holy Mass for the Solemnity of Pentecost **at St Mark's**

11.30am

Holy Mass for the Solemnity of Pentecost **at St Anthony's**

1.00pm

Sacrament of Baptism for Alix & Indie Eccles at St Mark's

4.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation available **at St Anthony's**

5.00pm

Holy Mass for the Solemnity of Pentecost **at St Anthony's**

END OF PASCHALTIDE

MONDAY 29TH MAY

THE MEMORIAL OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

*Pope Francis inscribed the **Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church**, in the Roman Calendar in 2018 to remind all Christ's disciples that, if they want to grow and be filled with the love of God, it is necessary to plant their lives firmly on three great realities: the Cross, the Eucharist, and the Mother of God.*

(Readings: Sirach 17: 24-29; Psalm 31; Mark 10:17--27)

At St Mark's

9.00am-9.50am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9.30am

Recitation of the Joyful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary

10.00am

Holy Mass for the Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

10.30am

Computer and IT help in St Mark's House

TUESDAY 30TH MAY

(Readings: Sirach 35:1-12; Psalm 49; Mark 10: 28-31)

8.45am

Recitation of a Decade of the Rosary at St Mark's School

At St Anthony's

6.00pm-6.50pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

6.30pm

Recitation of the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary

7.00pm

Holy Mass for Tuesday of the Seventh Week of Easter and in memory of those who have died in the month of May from St Anthony's followed by the Novena to St Anthony

7.30pm

Meeting of the SVDP **in St Anthony's House**

WEDNESDAY 31ST MAY

THE FEAST OF THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY DAY FOR LIFE

*The Gospel of St Luke (1:39-45) describes the **Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary** to her cousin St Elizabeth, both expectant mothers. It is the meeting of four people, not two. This feast is the day chosen for the Day for Life. When we think of who their unborn children were, it should arouse in us a love and respect for all unborn children and a determination to protect them.*

(Readings: Zephaniah 3:14-18; Psalm: Isaiah 12:2-6; Luke 1: 39-56)

At St Mark's

9.00am-9.50am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9.30am

Recitation of the Glorious Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary

10.00am

Holy Mass for the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10.00am-12.00noon

Food Bank at St Anthony's Hall

10.30am

Cuppa Club in St Mark's Hall

12.30pm-2.00pm

Food Bank at St Mark's Hall

6.00pm

Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Reconciliation

7.00pm

Holy Mass for the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and in memory of those who have died in the month of May from St Mark's

7.30pm

Meeting for Parish Readers **at St Mark's House**

7.30pm

Justice & Peace Laudato Si Meeting at St Mark's House

THURSDAY 1ST JUNE**THE MEMORIAL OF ST JUSTIN**

St Justin (103-165) was born in Palestine, probably of Roman stock. From his youth he was passionate about philosophy, and this led him to become a Christian. He went to Rome and set up his own philosophy school which became a prominent place of engagement with pagan thinkers. When the emperor Marcus Aurelius started a persecution against Christians, Justin was an obvious target. He was martyred with some of his students.

(Readings: Sirach 42:15-25; Psalm 32; Mark 10:46-52)

8.30am	Recitation of a Decade of the Most Holy Rosary at St Anthony's Church
At St Anthony's	
9.00am-9.50am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.00am-9.50am	Sacrament of Reconciliation available
9.30am	Recitation of the Luminous Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary
10.00am	Holy Mass for the Memorial of St Justin
6.30pm	Vigil Reception for the requiem of Christopher Temple R.I.P.
7.00pm	Rehearsal of Community Choir in St Mark's Church
7.00pm	Bible Study Meeting

FRIDAY 2ND JUNE

At St Mark's

10.00am Requiem Mass for Christopher Trent R.I.P.

SATURDAY 3RD JUNE**THE MEMORIAL OF ST CHARLES LWANGA AND COMPANIONS**

St Charles Lwanga (1860-1886) became a Catholic while serving as major-domo to local king Mwanga in Uganda who had an immoral interest in his young attendants. Several had become Catholics and resisted his advances, and St Charles protected them. Infuriated, the king had St Charles and a large group marched out, bound in flammable material, to Namugongo, where they were burnt to death. The youngest was St Kizito, aged twelve. Young Anglicans were also put to death at the same time. Others were martyred between 1885 and 1887.

(Readings: Sirach 51:12-20.; Psalm 18; Mark 11:27-33)

At St Anthony's	
9.00am-9.50am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.30am	Recitation of the Joyful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary
10.00am	Holy Mass for the Memorial of St Charles Lwanga and Companions
11.30am	Gardening Club at St Mark's

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (A)**SATURDAY 3RD JUNE**

(Readings: Sirach 51:12-20.; Psalm 18; Mark 11:27-33)

At St Anthony's	
4.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation available
5.00pm	Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity

SUNDAY 3RD JUNE

10.00am	Holy Mass for the Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity at St Mark's
11.30am	Holy Mass for the Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity at St Anthony's
4.30pm-4.50pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation Available
5.00pm	Holy Mass for the Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity at St Anthony's

CARFIN DAY

Lists are available at the back of the church to gauge interest in a parish day in Carfin. If you are interested then please add your name to the list. Full details in next weekend's bulletin.

DAY BY DAY BOOKS

The booklet for June and July is now available in the stalls. These are very useful books which provide the daily Mass readings for a whole month. Price £1.50

ABSENSE

I'll be away from the Parish from Monday 5th of June until Monday the 12th of June. The Comboni and White Fathers will be saying Mass while I'm away.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who died recently, especially: , James Ainsworth, Isobel Clark, Chris Darroch, Kathleen Devine, Rose Gilchrist, Fred MacConnell, David Martin, Toni Quigley, Christopher Trent & Ella Urris

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially: Patrick Doherty. Catherine & James Dunnery,
Please pray for all sick and housebound of the Parish: Ella Connolly, Isa Daniels, Peter Kavanagh, Baby Finn McGuinness, Michael McGuire, Baby Hope McKenna, May O'Donnell, Kathleen Perry & 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.

ST MARK'S PARKING

I've had a meeting with some of the neighbours of St Mark's who live in Laurieston Way. Could we please use the church car park and avoid parking there when using the hall? I know we need to drop things off at the side entrance, and that's still alright, but the neighbours find it disruptive when it gets busy.

ONGOING FORMATION

In our Ongoing Formation group we have continued to follow the course 'Introduction to the Bible' by Dr Brant Petrie. We listen to recordings of his lectures and then discuss various points raised. We recently discuss the work of Pope Benedict XV. in his encyclical *Spiritus Paraclitus* (1920) he points out that St. Jerome never questions the fact that the individual authors of the books of the Bible worked in full freedom under the divine afflatus, each of them in accordance with his individual nature and character... In each case Jerome shows us how, in composition, in language, in style and mode of expression, each of them uses his own gifts and powers... If we ask how we are to explain the power and action of God, the principal cause, on the sacred writers, we shall find that St. Jerome in no wise differs from the common teaching of the Catholic Church. For he holds that God, through his grace, illumines the writers mind regarding the particular truth that, "in the person of God," he is to set before men. He holds, moreover, that God moves the writer's will—nay, even impels it—to write; finally, that God abides with him unceasingly, in unique fashion, until his task is accomplished. (Benedict XV, *Spiritus Paraclitus* 3).

If you would like to know more please join us every Thursday as advertised.

DOWN SYNDROME SCOTLAND SUMMER PARTY

The Down Syndrome Scotland West of Scotland branch are having a summer party on Sunday 4th June from 1.30pm to 4.30pm at Christ the King Church Hall. Please follow this link to book a ticket on Eventbrite: [Down Syndrome Scotland West of Scotland branch summer party](#) . Tickets, Sun 4 Jun 2023 at 13:30 | Eventbrite

ORGAN RECITAL

On **Friday 2nd June at 7:30pm** we will be privileged to welcome to the diocese Dr Crista Miller, Organist and Director of Music at the Roman Catholic Cathedral in Houston, Texas, to give an organ recital at our Cathedral Our Lady of Good Aid at Motherwell, as part of her concert tour of the United Kingdom.

ADVICE AND SUPPORT

Volunteer Parish based confidential benefits advice and assistance with form filling is available in person via the Wednesday food banks or from the SVDP telephone 07977185826 for more information.

SCIAF WEE BOX

We need to count and bank all parish contributions and pay them to SCIAF as soon as possible. If you have any Wee Boxes please bring them to the Church by next weekend.

HOMEWORK CLUB

We would like to begin offering our homework club this week. At the moment we can only offer it once a week: **Every Wednesday 3.30pm-4.30pm at St Mark's Hall and every Thursday at 3.15-4.15pm in St Anthony's Hall.** Please come along if you are interested or needing help with homework.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE 21ST MAY:

Plate collection including Gift Aid envelopes: £1745.46

Gift Aid to Bank: £732.00

Total: £2477.46

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR COMMUNICATIONS £688.42

NEXT WEEKEND THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE DAY OF LIFE