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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B) 12TH MAY 2024

HOLY MASS	Tues	7.00 pm at St Anthony's	Sat	9.30 am at Anthony's
	Wed	09.30 am at St Mark's		5 pm Vigil at St Mark's
	Thu	09.30 am at St Anthony's	Sun	10.00 am at St Mark's
			Sun	11.30 am at St Anthony's
	Fri	9.30 am at St Mark's	Sun	5.00 pm at St Anthony's
HOLY ROSARY			Wed	9.10 am at St Mark's (month of May)
	Tuesday	6.30pm at St Anthony's	Saturday	9.10am at St Anthony's (month of May)
	Thursday	9am at St Anthony's		

SUNDAY READINGS

Reading	1 Acts 1:15-17, 20-26	<i>We must choose one of these to be a witness to his resurrection with us.</i>
Psalms	Ps 102	<i>The Lord has set his sway in heaven.</i>
Reading 2	1 John 4:11-16	<i>Anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him.</i>
Gospel Acclamation	John 14:18	<i>I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord;</i>
		<i>I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy.</i>
Gospel	John 17:11-19	<i>That they may be one like us!</i>

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who died recently, especially: Bridget Blair (funeral St Anthony's Monday 13th May 1 pm; reception Sunday 6pm); Patricia Williamson (Funeral Mass Friday 24th May 9.30am St Mark's); Tommy Fallon

Anniversaries: Mary & Jimmy McLaughlin; Graeme Taylor; Freddie MacConnell; Angela MacConnell; Mary Egan; Jim Hutcheson

All sick and housebound of the Parish: Pauline Mahon; Mary McColgan; Ella Connolly, Isa Daniels, Finn McGuinness, Hope McKenna, May O'Donnell, Margaret Rice; Annie O'Donnell.; Sandra Morgan; Neil Morton

MONTH OF MARY: ROSARY FOCUS ON WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS

To mark the month of Our Lady in May, a good idea might be to try and promote and revive the Rosary in the parish, rather than putting on an extra devotion. Our focus will be a Wednesday at St Mark's and Saturday at St Anthony's. Rosary will begin a little later than usual, at 9.10am. It would be lovely if people could come to church a little early to pray the Rosary during the month of May. Rosary will also be prayed as usual in St Anthony's at 6.30pm on Tuesdays and 9am on Thursdays.

COMMUNICATIONS SUNDAY AND SECOND COLLECTION

A reminder that today is Communications Sunday, and we will be taking up a second collection to support the work of the Communications Commission of the Catholic Church in Scotland.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS AND MASSES OF THANKSGIVING

A heartfelt congratulations to the children of primary 4 at St Anthony's who received First Holy Communion for the first time yesterday. Many thanks to all at St Anthony's school who prepared them so well. They will be back today at the 11.30 Mass, at the end of which there will be a Eucharistic procession around the grounds, with the children making a carpet of petals for the Blessed Sacrament. This will be followed by a tea in the hall.

First Communion will take place at St Mark's on Saturday 18th May at 11am, with the Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday 19th May at the 10am Mass (followed by the New Scots reception in the hall).

Hopefully these will be truly parish events, and all are invited to participate.

PRAYER PARTNERS FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ST MARK'S

You will see that the board is up near the back of St Mark's church, with photos of the First Holy Communicants who are requesting prayer partners in the parish. Please do consider signing up to undertake to pray for one of the children in this final week of their preparation to receive the Sacrament.

NEW SCOTS WELCOME EVENT PENTECOST SUNDAY

This celebration of the many cultures of our parish will take place in St Mark's next week, Pentecost Sunday—19th May after the 10am Mass. First of all, everyone is invited to join the First Holy Communicants of Primary 4 in their procession around the grounds of the church: please consider wearing your national costume (including Scottish national dress). You are then all invited to the hall afterwards for food and drinks, as well as an informal showcase of your culture: you may wish to consider a song, story, object etc which represents your culture and which can be shared. This event will conclude formally around 12.30pm, although people may elect to stay on for a little while after that to continue chatting.

WELLSPRING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 21ST MAY

A reminder that this meeting will take place on Tuesday 21st May 7.30 at St Anthony's. We will review, celebrate progress and revisit/expand/update our parish pastoral priorities arising from November's Parish Council: **Consolidation of existing initiatives; Ongoing improvement of Parish fabric to provide a welcoming environment; Family engagement; Communication; Encouragement of African-origin Parishioners; & Sacramental preparation.** This is open to the whole parish.

ST ANTHONY'S PRIMARY SUMMER FAYRE

The summer fayre will take place on Sunday 2nd June in the grounds of St Anthony's school and in the school itself, from 12 noon until 3pm. There will be lots of different stalls, fun and activities, and all money raised will go towards educational equipment and opportunities for the pupils. Please do consider going straight over from 11.30am Mass that week, or later in the afternoon.

PRAISE IN THE PARK

St Anthony and St Marks' parish is a proud member of Rutherglen Churches Together and Fr Stephen has been meeting with the other church representatives: deacons, ministers, elders and parish workers over the past few months. We were particularly delighted that several ministers and church members participated in our Taize service in January.

Our big idea to celebrate Landemer this year is to host a 'Praise in the Park' event in Overton Park on Sunday 2nd June from 12.30-2pm. People can bring along a picnic and join in. The focus will be music, led by the Salvation Army band, followed by communal hymn singing led by Fr Stephen, and Rev. Neil from Stonelaw Church (whose church is also the wet weather Plan B venue).

FOODBANK NEWS

~ We are having a Quiz Night to raise funds for the Foodbank on Saturday 15th June, 7-30 til late in St Mark's Hall. Tickets £5 pp. If you wish to attend, please put your name and contact number on the sheet at the back of the Church and we will get tickets to you.

~ It was an exceptionally busy day at our Foodbanks! We welcomed 112 visitors and are able to support them all. We must, as always thank our Parishioners, The City Charitable Trust, a local businessman, local residents and local business owners who support us so generously. It is much appreciated.

Our main appeal is for help- we need help to collect from local shops on a Tuesday. We also are appealing for people to come forward to help out over the summer holidays when our volunteer numbers will be reduced. We would also ask for some donations of jam, biscuits and treats for kids if possible. We will distribute them over the summer holidays. Donations can be left at the back of both churches, in Jingers and Le Sorelle in Burnside.

THEATRE TRIP: DEAR EVAN HANSEN

The next theatre trip is to Dear Evan Hansen on Wednesday 26th February 2025 at the Kings Theatre in Glasgow. As always, please add your name to the list the back of each church. The cost is £56.50 based on 30 people attending.

QR CODE FOR PARISH GIVING If parishioners or visitors would prefer to use their mobile phones to make a donation at Sunday Mass, then please feel free to use the QR code.

