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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C) 1ST JUNE 2025

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 30 mins before weekday/Saturday Masses

HOLY MASS	Tues	7.00 pm at St Anthony's	Sat	5.00 pm Vigil at St Mark's
	Wed	9.30am at St Mark's	Sun	10.00 am at St Mark's
	Thu	9.30am at St Anthony'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
	Sat	9.30am at St Anthony's		
HOLY ROSARY	Tue	6.40pm at St Anthony's	Sat	9.00 am at St Anthony's
CONFESSION	Sat	9-9.20am St Anthony's	Sat	4.30-4.50pm St Mark's
			Sun	4.30-4.50pm St Anthony's

SUNDAY READINGS

Reading 1	Acts 7:55-60	'I see the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.'
Psalm	Ps 97(96)	The Lord is king, most high above all the earth.
Reading 2	Revelation 22:12-20	'Come, Lord Jesus!'
Acclamation	John 14:18	I will not leave you as orphans, says the Lord.
Gospel	John 17:20-26	I am going away and I will come to you, and your hearts will rejoice.
		'May they become perfectly one.'

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who died recently, especially: Brendan McCole; Gerard Todd; Paul Murphy; Eric Wheeler; John Donaghey; Tom Spiers.

Anniversaries: Jeffrey Stuart (Auchterlonie); Jim Markey; Mary Alice McCurcley Sheils; Valdis Hauberts

Sick & housebound : Ethel Dickie; Michael Leslie; John Mulheron; Steve Kolbay; Tim Kolbay; Rose McCorley; Catherine Scott; Erin Lavery; Beatrice Hannah; Pauline Mahon; Mary McColgan; Ella Connolly; Isa Daniels, Finn McGuinness, Hope McKenna, May O'Donnell, Margaret Rice; Sandra Morgan; Neil Morton; Steven Murphy; Sandra Burke.

ST ANTHONY'S LILIES

Our parish feast of St Anthony is coming up soon, on Friday 13th June (Mass will be celebrated at St Anthony's instead of St Mark's that day). We have a lovely tradition of people offering fresh lilies to be placed around the altar and the statue of St Anthony for the feast. We are in the process of ordering these from the flower market, therefore can we ask anyone who would like to donate a lily to put their name on the list in the porch of our churches.

COFFEE N CUPCAKES FOR PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF WALES HOSPICE TODAY

All parishioners are warmly invited to coffee and cupcakes today after the 11.30am Mass at St Anthony's, run by our parishioner Karen Smith and friends. All proceeds will go to the Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice, which provides palliative care and support to people living in South Glasgow and East Renfrewshire. All of our hospices deserve our support and financial assistance, especially for the witness they give to the value of human life at its weakest and most vulnerable, in light of the recent attempt to legalise assisted suicide.

COMMUNICATIONS SUNDAY TODAY

Today is Communications Sunday. There is a letter from Bishop Frank, who is now the Bishop President of the National Communications Commission. A **second collection** will be taken up after Communion to support the Commission's work.

HOLY YEAR JUBILEE 2025 UPDATE: NEW SCOTS DAY NEXT SUNDAY

After a very successful inaugural event last Pentecost, we'll once again celebrate the richness and diversity of cultures among our parishioners in a special New Scots event next **Sunday (Pentecost) , 8th June**, at the 10am Sunday Mass at St Mark's The celebratory Mass will be followed by a multi-cultural party in St Mark's hall. Everyone from across both churches of our parish is most welcome!

Here is some info for the day:

- Please do consider wearing the national dress of your country, though this is of course optional.
 - Following the African style, everyone will be welcome to bring forward their collection to the baskets at the front of the church instead of the basket being passed around (though this will also happen): the procession will just be like coming forward for Communion.
 - Come along with an appetite! There will be beautiful specially-cooked African and Scottish food available in the hall straight after Mass.
 - As well as the provided food, you are also welcome to bring along a small dish from your own culture (Scotland included) to share. Please do be mindful of allergy issues in what you bring, perhaps including an allergen notice.
 - Once in the hall, our very own Frannie will be the MC for the event, and we hope as many people as possible will join in with something from their own culture: a song , a dance, poem or story.
- Please do come along and participate as much or as little as you wish, as we celebrate our wonderful lively parish.

ST MARK'S TO HOST BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS EXHIBITION THIS FRIDAY 3-4PM

All parishioners are most warmly invited to St Mark's Primary School for a very special exhibition of the life of Blessed Carlo Acutis and his work documenting Eucharistic miracles around the world. Families and parishioners are very welcome to drop in between 3 and 4pm this **Friday 5th June**. Blessed Carlo is due to be canonised very soon, and it would be wonderful to be acquainted with his story ahead of the momentous day.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED THANKS

Thanks to all who contributed to Aid the Church in Need over the past couple of weekends. The collection raised **£894** which will help to support their many projects around the world.

PARISH COUNCIL THURSDAY 12TH JUNE

The Parish Council is a body for all parishioners to discuss, review and plan our parish life, and it meets twice per year. The parish groups will report on their progress and plans, and any support and help they might need from the wider parish. The meeting will take place on **Thursday 12th June at 7-8.30pm** in St Anthony's Hall. All parishioners are most warmly invited to attend.

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT TEAM UPDATES

As you'll hopefully know, we have a parish Family Engagement Team which has been behind initiatives such as the Ignite Club and the Little Miracles group.

- The group has now purchased some baby and toddler-friendly **holy and fun toys** for the side chapel at St Anthony's, for times when main church is a little too much: we have beautiful soft bible books, and an interactive Noah's Ark and Nativity scene. These are discretely placed in a basket in the side chapel: enjoy, little ones!
- As part of the parish celebration of the Jubilee Holy Year 2025, we will host a special (hopefully annual) Mass for all babies and children baptised over the past year: it will be on **Saturday 21st June**, 12 noon, St Anthony's. Fr Stephen will be meeting with a small group of the parents this week to plan the Mass and the post-Mass celebration. He hopes to import the famous baby crawling race from one of his previous parishes! All parishioners will be most welcome at this joyous Mass.
- Our parish Babies and Toddlers Group, **Little Miracles**, will run again this **Thursday 5th June** from 10-11.30am at St Mark's Hall. The group will now run weekly rather than fortnightly, on a Thursday morning. Numbers have been quite low recently after a very strong start, but we're hanging on in the hope that they pick up. Please come along to support the dedicated leaders if you can.

ST ANTHONY'S PRIMARY SUMMER FAYRE SUNDAY 22ND JUNE 12.30-3.30PM

All parishioners and friends are most welcome at the Summer Fayre, which will feature bouncy castles, face painting, axe throwing, hair braiding, stalls, a chocolate tombola, a home baking sale, hot food and much more. Entry is free! Please come along and support the children.

KEY FUTURE DATES

Mass for babies and children baptised over the past year: Saturday 21st June, 12 noon, St Anthony's
Candidacy Mass for our parish diaconal student Paul May: Sunday 22nd June, 10am at St Mark's.

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 this QR code.

