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Father, almighty and eternal God, whose praise is sung throughout all creation and whose glory is proclaimed by all peoples. You create us in love and call us to our eternal destiny of loving communion with You. May the parish of Our Lady of Good Counsel be a place where Your Name is hallowed and Your chosen ones are united in Holy Mass with Your Son in praise and thanksgiving.

Lord Jesus Christ, Word of God, Incarnate of the Virgin Mary, You manifest the Father’s love and reveal His will for us. May we always be aware of our Baptismal dignity as the Children of God by our sharing through the Holy Spirit in Your Sonship, and so respond to Your call in service of each other, our parish, Holy Mother Church and the world.

Holy Spirit, Advocate and Spirit of Truth, You breathed your life into the Apostles at Pentecost, inspiring them to be preachers of the Word. May we always be open to Your promptings that our parish may be renewed in praise of God and in living the truth in charity.

Our Lady Mother of the Church

Our Lady of Good Counsel

**Baptisms**

Usually take place after the 11.00am Mass on Sunday. Parents are requested to make arrangements with the Parish Clergy in good time.

**Marriages**

Couples are requested to speak to the Parish Clergy at least six months before a wedding and before any other arrangements are confirmed.

**Funerals**

Families are asked to contact the Parish before making any arrangements with a Funeral Director.

**St Vincent de Paul Society**

Meets every Sunday after the 11.00am Mass. Its members keep regular contact with the sick and elderly and support parishioners in time of need.

*Our Lady of Good Counsel is a parish of the Archdiocese of Glasgow, a Designated Religious Charity, No. SCO18140*

**INTIMATIONS**

In charity we are asked to pray for:

Sick: All commended to our prayers.

Recently deceased:

Bill Murray;

Anniversary:

Hugh & Edward Toner; Jane & Patrick Canning; Bernard Kennardy;

**The parish bulletin is sponsored by parishioner John Watters, painter & decorator. Free estimates 0141 554 7454**

**Our Lady of Good Counsel**

**20th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

**YEAR C**

**18 August 2019**

**Liturgy of the Word:**

1st reading: Jer 38:4-6.8-10

Psalm 39; Response:

*Lord, come to my aid.*

2nd reading: Heb 12:1-4

Gospel: Lk 12:49-53

Divine Office: Week 2

Feast Days:

Tues 20 Aug: Memorial of St Bernard

Wed 21 Aug: Memorial of St Pius X

Thurs 22 Aug: Memoria of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sat 24 Aug: Feast of St Bartholomew



**BRING A MATE TO MASS**

There will be a parish meeting on Monday 26th August 2019 at 7.00pm in the church. Further information to follow. Please note the date and make every effort to attend this meeting.

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

The parish programme of sacramental preparation will begin on Sunday 1st September. The parents of children who are due to receive the sacraments are invited to a meeting in the parish hall to enrol their child:

First Confession: Sunday 18th August 2019, 12.00pm

Holy Communion & Confirmation: Sunday 25th August 2019, 12.00pm.

**Sunday Masses**

Vigil 5.30pm

11.00am; 5.30pm

**Children’s Liturgy**

is available during school term at the 11.00am Mass for children

primary 1 to 4.

**Daily Mass**: 10.00am

(Thursday: Liturgy of the Word)

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**:

Friday after 10.00am Mass – 11.00am

**Confessions:**

Saturday after 10.00am Mass

4.30pm - 5.15pm

**SECOND COLLECTION**

There will be special collection at all Masses this weekend for the Assisted Parishes Scheme

**COLLECTIONS**

Last week’s offertory collection came to £514

*Many thanks for your ongoing support of the parish.*

**MEN’S SPIRITUALITY**

There will be a day conference for fathers, married men and those considering marriage on Sunday 22 September in Hazelwood House (52 First Gdns, G41 5BN). The cost of the day is £20 which includes lunch and coffee break. To book contact Philip Church: 07971 863 050; pc62@btconnect.com

**POPE FRANCIS TWEETS**

Only when we experience God’s forgiveness are we truly reborn. We start again from there, from forgiveness. It is there that we rediscover ourselves: in confessing our sins. @Pontifex

**CONCERT**

**MacMillan and Rachmaninoff at St Andrew’s Cathedral, 196 Clyde Street, Glasgow, G1 4JY:** Concert by the National Youth Choir of Scotland on Sunday 25th August at 7pm. Led by Christopher Bell, the choir will perform Sir James MacMillan’s *The Culham Motets*, following its Scottish Première at the Edinburgh International Festival, as well as ten movements from Sergei Rachmaninoff’s *All-Night Vigil*, often called simply *Rachmaninoff Vespers*.  Tickets**:** adult £12.00; under 26 £5.00 available online from [www.nycos.co.uk](http://www.nycos.co.uk#_blank) or on the door.

**MASS FOR TEACHERS & SCHOOL STAFF**

The Annual Teacher’s Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Tartaglia on Monday 26th August at 6.15pm in  Saint Andrew’s Cathedral. Refreshments will be served in the Eyre Hall following the conclusion of Mass. All school chaplains and those involved in the life of our schools are warmly invited to concelebrate this Mass with the Archbishop. Please bring an alb and white stole if you would like to concelebrate.

**CHURCH CLEANING**

Some more volunteers are required to assist with the cleaning of the church. If you have some time to spare on a Monday morning your help will be appreciated.

**ST THERESE OF LISIEUX**

**Relics of St Therese of Lisieux will be present in Scotland in August and September this year. They will be in Glasgow 16-18th September. This is an important event in the life of the Church in Scotland. St Therese will be familiar to many of you as the saint who is ‘spending her heaven doing good on earth’. If you are not familiar with the life of ‘the Little Flower’ and her way of complete abandonment to God this may be a good time to discover why she is so popular and get to know her for yourself.**

**After a stop in Barlinnie Prison, the relics will be taken to the parish of St Therese of Lisieux before being transferred to St Andrew’s Cathedral on 17th Sept, where there will be opportunity to venerate the relics of this most popular saint. I encourage you take make every effort to venerate the relics of St Therese.**

**Full details of the programme can be found at:**

[www.littleflowerinscotland.co.uk/archdiocese-glasgow](http://www.littleflowerinscotland.co.uk/archdiocese-glasgow)

**PRO-LIFE MASS**

This month’s Pro-Life Mass is on Wednesday, 21st August in Bl. John Duns Scotus, 270 Ballater St, Gorbals G5 0YT. There will be Adoration at 6pm, followed by Rosary at 7pm and Mass at 7.30pm. All welcome. The celebrant will be Mgr Hugh Bradley.

**FAITH FORUM**

A fortnightly series of talks on living out the Catholic faith. All young people welcome. These talks will take place at 7pm in Turnbull Hall, University of Glasgow Catholic Chaplaincy, 13-15 Southpark Terrace, Glasgow G12 8LG. 3rd October - Mr Ruairidh MacLennan – *The Mission: Being a Young Catholic in Scotland Today;* 17th October – Fr Ross Campbell – *The Climate: Overcoming the Dictatorship of Relativism*; 31st October – Fr Paul Denney – *The Content: Christ and His Church*; 14th November – Mrs Natalie Finnigan – *The Challenge (1): Witnessing in a Time of Scandal*; 28th November – Sr Roseann Reddy – *The Challenge (II); Building a Culture of Life*; 12th December – Sr Andrea Fraille – *The Challenge (III): Male and Female He Created Them.*

**NEW PRAYER GROUP**

Are you aged between 18-35? Do you wish to know about Franciscan spirituality? St Francis and St Clare warmly Invites you to an evening of prayer, talks and sharing and a wee pizza afterwards. Come and See! Wednesday 28th August and then every fourth Wednesday of the month, from 7-9pm in Blessed John Dun Scotus, Ballater Street, Glasgow G5 0YT.

**THE EVERLASTING FOODBANK**

Donations are collected on the first Sunday of the month. This is a local, faith-motivated initiative to help those in need in our area and is worthy of our support.

**FERTILITY CARE SCOTLAND**

We are opening a new clinic in the Diocesan offices, Paisley on alternative Monday evenings from 7 – 9pm. We run clinics in Edinburgh, Hamilton, Aberdeen and Paisley. At Fertility Care Scotland we teach The Billings Ovulation Method of Natural Fertility Regulation, which helps couples achieve or postpone pregnancy in a natural way. We can help couples optimize their chances of conceiving. Our service is free and confidential and no appointment is necessary. We invite you to come and visit us at one of our clinics. Phone: 0141 221 0858; E-Mail: info@fertilitycare.org.uk;www.fertilitycare.org.uk Join us on facebook

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**HAVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED ADOPTION?**

Have you ever considered adoption as a way to grow your family? Could you provide a loving, stable family environment for a child who needs a home? If you would like to find out more about the adoption process, please visit [**www.stmargaretsadoption.org.uk**](http://WWW.STMARGARETSADOPTION.ORG.UK) or contact us on 0141 332 8371 or e-mail **info@stmargaretsadoption.org.uk**.

**VOCATION DISCERNMENT**

A series of evening of catechesis, prayer and support has been organised for next year. Anyone considering their future and what God is calling them to do is welcome. The next meeting is at 7.00pm pm on Fri 10th May 2019 in Turnbull Hall, Southpark Terrace, G12 8LG.