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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:

Dora Techer;

Anniversary:

John Boyle;

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

**Our Lady of Good Counsel**

**31st SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

**YEAR C**

**3rd November 2019**

**Liturgy of the Word:**

1st reading: Wis 11:22-12:2

Psalm 144; Response:

*I will bless your name for ever,*

*O God, my King.*

2nd reading: Thess 1:11-2:2

Gospel: Lk 19:1-10

Divine Office: Week 3

Feast Days:

Mon 4 Nov: Memorial of St Charles Borromeo

Fri 8 Nov: Memorial of Blessed John Duns Scotus

Sat 9 Nov: Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica



**WELCOME**

We welcome all visitors to the parish this weekend. We are grateful that you have accepted the invitation from your friend or relative and join us today at our celebration of Holy Mass. Please join us in the hall for tea/coffee and light refreshments. We hope that you feel inspired to join us again.

**NOVEMBER LISTS**

Are available at the back of the church. Once completed, the Lists should be returned to the parish. During the month of November Holy Mass will be offered each day for our loved ones who are included on the Lists.

**THE CHURCH: THE GOOD NEWS**

We are all aware of the negative press that the Church has received. Despite the cases where this is warranted, the Church remains a force for good in society. Come along to the parish hall after the 11.00am Mass on Sunday 10th November to meet representatives from various Church organisations that are working to meet the needs of the poor and vulnerable in the world. Come and hear the good news about the Church.

**FABRIC GROUP**

Thank you to the parishioners who are willing to be members of a parish Fabric Group. I propose having an initial short meeting in the church itself to begin a discussion about what structural work is required and what decorative work would enhance the beauty of the church. Wednesday 15th November, 7.00pm.

**MONDAY GROUP**

**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

Next meeting will be on Monday 4th November. All welcome to come along. We usually pray Vespers (Evening Prayer) together and then explore a faith topic before finishing with light refreshments. This session we will be reading together *The Story of a Soul*, St Therese of Lisieux’s spiritual autobiography.

**COLLECTIONS**

Last week’s offertory collection came to £730

The second collection for Aid to the Church in Need last weekend came to £790

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

**FAITH FORUM**

14th November – Mrs Natalie Finnigan – *The Challenge (1): Witnessing in a Time of Scandal*; 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.

**PARISH VOLUNTEERS – SAFEGUARDING TRAINING**

Parish volunteers are requested to check the notice at the back of the church regarding safeguarding training.

**MASS FOR DECEASED ARCHBISHOPS, BISHOPS AND PRIESTS OF THE ARCHDIOCESE**

Archbishop Tartaglia will celebrate the annual Mass for deceased clergy of the Archdiocese of Glasgow at 1pm on Friday 8th November in Saint Andrew’s Cathedral. All welcome.

**ITALIAN MASS**

The annual Mass for friends and members of the Italian community will take place on Monday November 11 at 7pm in St Andrew’s Cathedral. Archbishop Tartaglia will be the main concelebrant. There will be a reception following the Mass in the Eyre Hall of the Archdiocesan offices. As numbers are limited, please book your place at the reception by e-mailing [maria.owens@rcag.org.uk](mailto:maria.owens@rcag.org.uk)

**CONSIDERING PRIMARY TEACHING?**

There will be an information evening for people considering applying for Initial Teacher Education programmes (***primary school***) in St. Patrick’s Primary School, 10 Perth Street, Glasgow G3 8UQ on Tuesday 12th November 2019 from 6.30-8.00pm. This event will focus on preparing for interview. Representatives from the University of Glasgow, the Archdiocesan Primary Head Teachers Association (APHTA), Church and Local Authority Church Representatives will be present to discuss the application process, Teacher Approval, etc. and to explain what support is on offer and answer questions.

**20-40 NETWORK ESCAPE ROOMS EVENT**

Aged 20-40? Our events are a great place for meeting fellow young Catholics. Don't worry about coming on your own, you'll quickly make friends as you battle to solve the clues and escape before the other team. Sat 23rd November, 6:30pm, Merchant Sq, Glasgow. Just email [2040network@gmail.com](mailto:2040network@gmail.com) to buy a £16 ticket or join our mailing list to find out about future events if you can’t make this one.

**POPE FRANCIS TWEETS**

Hope is to live in anticipation of meeting the Lord. It’s like throwing an anchor to the other shore and clinging to the rope. @Pontifex

**REMEMBRANCE MASS**

Saint Agnes’ Church, Lambhill for all those who are buried in Saint Kentigern’s Cemetery, the Western Necropolis and Lambhill Cemeteries or whose final committal was at Glasgow Crematorium. Sunday 10th November 2019 at 3.00 pm. All welcome. Tea after Mass. Music provided by the Saint Mungo Singers.

**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**](mailto:INFO@STMARGARETSADOPTION.ORG.UK).

**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. Thank you for supporting this initiative.

**Adoption Week Scotland, 16-23 November 2019**

See poster at the back of the church for information on events to mark this week.

**CARDINAL WINNING LECTURE 2019**

We are pleased to announce that Archbishop Paul Gallagher, will deliver the 2019 Cardinal Winning Lecture on the morning of Saturday 16th November 2019. The lecture will take place in the Bute Hall, Gilbert Scott (Main) Building, Glasgow, G12 8QQ. ***Mass will precede the lecture (9am) and this will take place in the University Chapel.*** To book your place please register at [**https://cardinalwinninglecture2019.eventbrite.co.uk**](https://cardinalwinninglecture2019.eventbrite.co.uk)

***Please note: This event is open to those who have registered for tickets in advance only. Ticket holders are required to bring a printed copy of their ticket along with photographic ID.  Only the person whose name appears on the ticket will be permitted to attend the event.***

**FOR THE ATTENTION OF ALL PARISH VOLUNTEERS WITH (OR PENDING) PVG CERTIFICATES**

All volunteers working with children or protected adults should now have attended the Safeguarding level 1 training. For those who still require to attend please note the next **Level 1** training dates, which take place in Eyre Hall, Archdiocese of Glasgow, G1 4JY are: Saturday 23rd November (2 sessions am & pm; Saturday 7th December. **Induction part 2** training is also now in place, which all volunteers require to attend. Training dates for **Part 2** are: Wednesday 13th November in Our Lady of Lourdes, Cardonald, G52 3QU; Monday 2nd December in St Mary’s, Duntocher, G81 6DL; Saturday 7th December in Eyre Hall, Archdiocese of Glasgow, G1 4JY. It is essential to book a place to ensure we have handouts for you and can contact you if there any difficulties. Anyone wishing to book onto this or any other training course please call the safeguarding office on 0141 226 5898 or book directly from the Archdiocese of Glasgow website Safeguarding page [www.rcag.org.uk](http://www.rcag.org.uk).

**POPE FRANCIS SPEAKS**

General Audience, Wednesday 25th September 2019:

Dear Brothers and Sisters: In our catechesis on the Acts of the Apostles, we continue to follow the spread of the Gospel throughout the world. In the early Christian community some complained that their widows were being neglected in the distribution of bread. The Apostles, aware of their principal calling to preach the Word of God, discerned a solution to maintain the harmony between the service of the Word and service to the poor. They instituted seven men, on whom they imposed hands, to carry out works of charity. One of these seven deacons, Stephen, proclaimed Christ’s Paschal Mystery as the key to the whole history of the covenant, but his words met with resistance. Yet, even when condemned to death, Stephen entrusted his life into the Lord’s hands and forgave his adversaries. The actions of this first martyr teach us that our identity as God’s children consists in abandoning ourselves to the Father and forgiving those who offend us. Let us ask the Lord that, by contemplating the martyrs of the past and present, we may live a full life, accepting the martyrdom of daily fidelity to the Gospel and conformity to Christ.

**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](mailto:info@fertilitycare.org.uk;www.fertilitycare.org.uk) Join us on facebook

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**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.

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.*