

St Benedict (480—547)

Benedict was born in Nursia, in Umbria, and studied in Rome; but he was unable to stomach the dissolute life of the city, and he became a solitary hermit at Subiaco. His reputation spread and some monks asked him to be their abbot; but they did not like the discipline he imposed and tried to poison him.

Benedict organised various small communities of monks and nuns in various places, including the great monastery of Monte Cassino. He drew up a set of rules to guide the communal life of monasteries. Although this was not the first monastic rule ever, the Rule of St Benedict has proved so wise and balanced that it has served as the foundation of practically every attempt at communal living ever since—and not only in religious communities. The Rule of St Benedict recognises that people aim at perfection but often fall well short of it, and aims to be a ‘rule for beginners’ in which even the least perfect and least able can grow in spiritual stature. To visit a Benedictine monastery of almost any kind is to find oneself spending time among a group of people who, by their strivings to live and grow together, have become more and more themselves, as God intended them, instead of being crushed into false uniformity by some idealistic and authoritarian regime.

For those of us in the world, too, the Rule of St Benedict has much to say: it drags our eyes up to the stars but keeps our feet firmly on the ground; it calls us to perfection but keeps the sane.

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Fourteenth Sunday of the Year

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MASSES -

Saturday: 6.30 pm Vigil Mass
Sunday: 10.00am, 12.00 Noon and 5.30pm

Weekdays:

Mon — Sat 10.00 am
Mon, Tue and Fri 7.00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Daily After 10.00 am Mass
Saturday After 10.00 am Mass, 5.15 to 6.15 pm
and other times by arrangement

ROSARY

Mon-Sat After 10.00 am Mass
(unless there is a funeral)



Feast Days

Tuesday Feast of St Benedict

Saturday Memorial of St Bonaventure

Formed.org

If you enjoy films and books etc ... Go to Formed.org and if you haven't already registered you can do so there when you enter the parish code: **NH8488**, and your email address followed on the next page by your details or go to the Parish website: <http://stpatricksdumbarton.org.uk/formed.html> and follow the instruction on how to register.

SPUC Scotland Petition

A SPUC Scotland Petition is available in the church to oppose the campaign to extend abortion. Please sign the petition to help mobilise opposition to this threat to future generations of children

Reboot Live, **Reboot your faith with Chris Stefanick**

Bute Hall 27th July 2017
at 7 pm. Tickets £10/£8
Concession.

Tickets can be purchased from RE Office or online
0141226598: <http://www.ercglasgow.org>
www.RebootLiveScotland.eventbrite.co.uk

Building Works Update

Work on the Bell frame has begun. This will be ongoing for 6 weeks and during that time the bells will remain silent, except for the consecration Bell.

The work to replace the roof on the house will begin on 26th July and will continue into September.

The work on the hall should also begin shortly, however we have no firm dates for that works as yet.

Happy Holidays!

Have a good holiday
to all those going
away.

20-40 Network July Event

Aged 20-40 ? Our latest event, 'Getting to Know You' features activities to help you get to know yourself and other young people more. There is a quiz to help you discover your strengths, a Room 101 themed game and a buffet lunch. Everyone who comes to our events is coming on their own, into the unknown, and that takes a lot of courage. We know this and have been in this position ourselves so we understand and promise you a welcoming atmosphere. The event is on Saturday 29th July, 11 am - 3 pm and being held in the Eyre Hall of the Glasgow Diocesan Offices, 196 Clyde Street. Tickets are £10 (all profits are donated to Mary's Meals).
Just email
2040network@gmail.com to buy a ticket or join our mailing list to find out about future events if you can't make this one.