

St. Patrick's, Dumbarton

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17th November 2019 - 33rd Sunday of the Year – Mass Book Page 164

MASSES:

Saturday 6.30 pm Vigil Mass

WEEKDAYS:

Mon — Sat 10.00 am

Mon, Tues, 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:

Thursday 21st The Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary - Memorial

Friday 22nd St Cecilia - Memorial

Second Collection: This week the second collection is for Education Sunday

November Lists: November is the month of the Holy Souls. Holy Mass will be offered for the repose of the souls on each day of November. If you wish a relative to be remembered at these Masses, you will find paper and envelopes at the back of the Church. Please place the completed sheets in the Box provided. The envelopes will be opened and the sheets placed on the altar during the month of November.

Primary 3 - Sacrament of Reconciliation: The children of Primary 3 will be making their First Confession in March next year. As part of their preparation for the Sacrament, the children and their families will be at the 10.00 am Mass next Sunday the theme will be our **Duty of Care for One Another**. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers. There will be refreshments in the church hall after the Mass. All welcome.

Brownie Coffee Morning: The Brownies will be holding their annual Coffee Morning in the church hall on Saturday 23rd November from 10.30 am - 12.00 pm. Donations would be welcome and can be handed in on Thursday evening.

A Date to Note: Friday, 22nd November, 2019 : CHRISTIAN, the well known all round entertainer. Glasgow born Christian, celebrating 50 years in the entertainment business and wowing audiences wherever he performs, will be appearing in our very own Church Hall where he promises to deliver a fantastic night's entertainment. Tickets, £5 each, can be got from the usual sources, or by phoning Christine, 07955941489. (See the poster in the Church porch for details)

SCIAF Mass: In November, the month of the Holy Souls, SCIAF remembers those supporters who are no longer with us. Holy Mass is celebrated in memory of all those who have been touched by our work here in Scotland and around the world. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Toal, Bishop President of SCIAF at St Francis Xavier's Church, Taylor Avenue, Carfin on **Thursday 21st November** at 7 pm. If you are not able to attend on this occasion but would like a loved one to be remembered at the Mass please contact Siobhan Wright at SCIAF on 0141 354 5555.

Mary's Meals: Thank you for welcoming our volunteers to St Patricks last weekend. A fantastic £1700.87 was raised along with 87 bags of textiles and 7 filled backpacks. Please remember Mary's Meals in your prayers.

SPUC Dumbarton Branch There will be a meeting in St. Patrick's Church Hall this Sunday at 7pm. Grace Browne, Communications Officer of SPUC Scotland will give an update on current and forthcoming events. All are welcome to attend.

CHURCH STALL: Christmas cards, Advent calendars, Yearly calendars, Carmelite Christmas cards and Christmas Mass Bouquet cards will be on sale from this weekend.

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 to buy a £16 ticket or join our mailing list to find out about future events if you can't make this one.

Art as an Expression of Faith: A Conversation with John Clark. For Interfaith week, the Council of Christians and Jews is very pleased to welcome John Clark, an architectural glass artist whose work can be seen all over the world. This is a rare opportunity to see the windows and hear the artist talk about the work. John will also discuss some of his other religiously themed work in what promises to be a very rich and rewarding afternoon. **Sunday 17th November** in Giffnock Synagogue at 2.30pm Register for the event via Eventbrite: www.eventbrite.co.uk/jst-as-an-expression-of-faith-a-conversation-with-john-clark-tickets-76664733281

All men in the Parish are invited to attend a talk on Wednesday 20 November 19 from 7pm to 8.15pm in the Carmelite Convent. John Deighan from SPUC will provide an update on pro-life matters. A donation of £5 to cover expenses is requested.

Newman Association: "Faith and Politics: the challenge of being committed to both" A talk by Bishop Nolan, Bishop of Galloway, The Ogilvie Centre, St Aloysius' Church, Rose Street, Glasgow, G3 6RE at 7.30pm on Thursday 28th November 2019. All welcome. Non-members: admission £3 - includes refreshments.

ACN #RedWednesday Event: Sponsored by John Mason MSP. A multi-faith event for the people of Scotland to stand in solidarity with those who have been martyred for their faith. All religious intolerance is wrong and for too long the world has ignored religious persecution. Aid to the Church in Need would like to invite all parishioners to our #RedWednesday Event. For full event details, please visit: acnuk.org/scottishredwednesday. Venue: The Fairfax Somerville Room, The Scottish Parliament, The Royal Mile, Edinburgh EH99 1SP. Date: Wednesday **27th November**. Time: 5.30pm - 8pm. Entrance is free. For security reasons you must be registered for this event.

Get your Christmas Real Gifts today! (SCIAF): It's nearly Christmas so you probably have a good idea what to buy for your loved ones this year. Real Gifts have the power to change the lives of the poorest people around the world. Shop for Real Gifts at <https://www.sciaf.org.uk/realgifts>

It's time to tell Iran to stop criminalising Christians: take action today - Pastor Yousef Nadarkhani and Mohammadreza Omidi are serving ten year sentences, with an additional two years in internal exile. Yasser Mossayebzadeh and Saheb Fadaie are serving ten year sentences. Nasser Navard Goltape is serving a ten year sentence, and was one of four men arrested after three of them, who were from Azerbaijan, visited friends in Tehran. Rev Victor Bet Tamraz and Kaviyan Fallah-Mohammadi were arrested during a Christmas celebration at the reverend's home, and face ten years in jail. Hadi Asgari was arrested during a picnic, and faces ten years in jail. Send an email to your MP and the Minister of State for the Middle East to stop the Iranian government from criminalising Christians. CSW website

The Prayer Shawl Group : The next meeting will be held on Wednesday **27th November** in Benview after the 10am Mass. The prayer shawls continue to give hope and comfort to those who receive them, this comes from prayers said during knitting by our members, then blessed on the altar at the beginning of Mass. Should you know of anyone who is unwell or in need of comfort please ask a group member to receive the shawl or scarf (men). The positive feedback we receive is heartwarming and bring many blessing to those who receive them. For more information, please contact Irene: 731509 or Nancy 764733.

An Evening Retreat: 'Jesus Heals' – Monday 16th December 6pm – 9pm in Holy Cross Church, 113 Dixon Avenue, Crosshill, G42 8ER. One thing that we share, whether we are 10, 45 or 85, is that we are all in need of 'healing', whether in body, mind or spirit. Each one of us, at times, needs to experience God's loving mercy, which gives encouragement, renewal and refreshment to our faith. You are invited to an evening retreat, which will include a healing Mass, preaching and an opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration. Fr Jilto George CMI will lead the Retreat, which provides an ideal opportunity to prepare our hearts to welcome Jesus at Christmas. Members of the Syro Malankara Community will share the evening with us. Please come along to share the experience and encourage a friend to come with you.