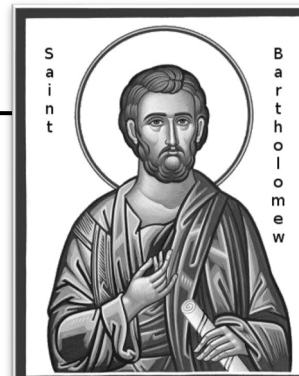


MASS and PRAYER REQUESTS

RECENTLY DECEASED : Mary Gallagher, Jim Livingstone, David Phinn

ANNIVERSARIES : Margaret McLeish, Catherine Sampson, James Sampson, Betty McMahon

SPECIAL INTENTIONS : Joe Capra, Princess Patcy Oparaky, Frances French, Lorna Bingham, Marie Joyce, Alastair Steel, Isobel McGuigan, Lewis Reeper, Lucas McGeever, Peter Nugent, Joe McFadyen, Ellen McFadyen, Richard McFadyen



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HELP REQUIRED

Further to Archbishop Nolan's letter read at all Masses 2 weeks ago, where he stated that the Archdiocese must be outward looking, the Archbishop also requested that we evangelise more in our communities and we reach out to others. To assist us, we need **YOU** on board. We need **YOUR** help.

Are you willing to offer your time?

There are many opportunities within the parish such as :

- Sacristan
- Hospitality ministry (welcoming folk in and directing people at offertory and communion),
- Choir
- Catechist
- Children's liturgy
- Counters ; and of course
- Altar servers, among others.

Evangelisation begins at home!
Please consider.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, Year A 16th April 2023

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Fr. Eugenio Montesi sx

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SUNDAY MASS

St. Bartholomew's

11:00am and 5pm

St. Margaret Mary's

6pm (vigil) and 10:00am

WEEKDAY MASS

St. Bartholomew's

9:30am, Mon / Wed / Fri

St. Margaret Mary's

10:00am, Tues / Thurs / Sat

FIRST READING : Acts 2:42-47

The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common

The whole community remained faithful to the teaching of the apostles, to the brotherhood, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. The many miracles and signs worked through the apostles made a deep impression on everyone. The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared out the proceeds among themselves according to what each one needed. They went as a body to the Temple every day but met in their houses for the breaking of bread; they shared their food gladly and generously; they praised God and were looked up to by everyone. Day by day the Lord added to their community those destined to be saved.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM No.117

RESPONSE : Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

SECOND READING : 1 Peter 1:3-9

You did not see Christ, yet you love him

GOSPEL : John 20:19-31

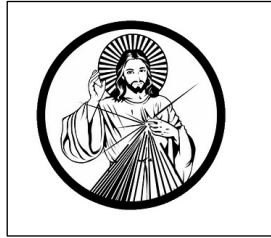
Eight days later, Jesus came again and stood among them

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday, celebrated on the second Sunday of Easter which concludes the Octave of Easter. It is a day honouring Jesus' mercy and as Pope John Paul II stated.

"Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the heart of Christ crucified."

Divine Mercy Sunday focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial and resurrection.



DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS

Divine Mercy devotions will take place at St Brendan's, 187 Kelso Street G13 4BH, today, Sunday 16th April. Confessions 2 pm onwards. Chaplet at 3 pm with veneration of the icon and concluding with Evening Prayer of the Church and Benediction.

COFFEE MORNING and TEAROOM

Both the Sunday Tearoom and the Wednesday Coffee Morning are back to normal after Holy Week and Easter break. Why not come and join us after morning Mass? All welcome.

THANK YOU

John and Angela Mulheron would like to thank priests and parishioners for their best wishes, prayers, cards and gifts on the occasion of their Ruby Wedding Anniversary. Thank You!

PIETY STALL.

As we approach First Communion season, remember to have a look in the piety stall located at the back of the churches to see what is on offer. Lots of cards and religious items available.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC)

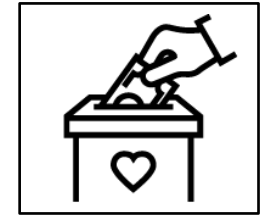
A published list of our PPC for the next three years (with specified roles) will be published following our next meeting scheduled for June 21.

GIFT AID

If you are not already Gift Aiding, please consider doing so. As long as you are a tax payer, it cost you nothing but will help the community income by 20% for each pound.

LAST WEEK'S MASS COLLECTIONS

1 st Collection	£595.69
Holy Places	£151.92



Thank you for all your contributions and support.

FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION CLASSES

Classes for children who are preparing for First Holy Communion are scheduled to take place as follows:

Saturday 29th April, 11:00am -12:15pm

Saturday 13th May, 11:00am -12:15pm

Please make every effort to ensure your child attends these important classes. Please note, our First Holy Communions are taking place on

Saturday 20th May, 10:30am
(and NOT 11:00am as previously advertised)

SEASON of EASTER

EASTER is more than just the most important celebration on the liturgical calendar. The resurrection of Jesus is the foundation of all Christianity.

Referencing Paul's first letter to the Corinthians, the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that

***"If Christ has not been raised,
then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain."***

The Resurrection above all constitutes the confirmation of all Christ's works and teachings."

This is why we rejoice. Easter is everything. Jesus's death frees us from sin and his resurrection ensures new life for us.

Jesus overcoming death is the reason we know His name today. It's the foundation of all Christianity. With His death and resurrection, Jesus opened heaven to all of us.

Because of Easter, we know that no matter what sufferings we experience or what sins we struggle with, God is always with us.

The Season of Easter lasts for 50 days culminating with the feast of Pentecost, where Scripture (Acts 2:1-31) tells us that the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles.