MASS and PRAYER REQUESTS

RECENTLY DECEASED: Tony Walley, Rose Monaghan, Tommy Lochlin, Thomas

Murray, Matthew Sandford

ANNIVERSARIES: Tony Mcgleenon Snr

MONTHS MIND:

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Marie McMillan (birthday), Betty Thomson, Gavin

Thompson and Family

EMBRACING OUR ROLE AS MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

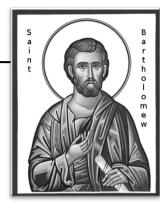
The Gospel reading for the 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A is a reminder of the importance of evangelisation in the life of a Catholic. However, many of us feel uncomfortable with the idea of evangelising, perhaps due to a perception that it involves knocking on a stranger's door and telling them about Jesus. Yet, evangelisation is not always so formal, and we have many opportunities to spread the good news in our daily lives.

We can evangelise by offering a helping hand to someone in need and then sharing how we have been helped through the power of God. When someone asks us to pray for them, we can say a prayer with them and share a moment of connection and faith. We can also invite someone to come to Mass or attend a church event with us, sharing the joy of our faith and the community of believers.

However, in order to spread the light of Christ to others, we must first be able to see it shining in our own lives. We must strive to live our lives in a way that reflects the love, compassion, and mercy of Christ, so that others may be drawn to Him through us. Evangelisation is not about forcing our beliefs on others, but about sharing the hope and joy that we have found in Christ and inviting others to join us on this journey of faith.

As Catholics, we are called to be missionary disciples, spreading the love of Christ to all those we encounter. This can be done in small ways, through acts of kindness and invitations to prayer or worship. By embracing our role as evangelisers, we can share the good news of the Gospel and help others to encounter the transformative power of Christ's love.

- What are some practical ways we can evangelise and share the good news of the Gospel in our daily lives?
- Who can we share the Good News with today? Are there people in our lives who may be in need of hope and encouragement? How can we share the love of Christ with them?



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11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

18th June 2023

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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: Exodus 19:2-6
I will count you a kingdom of priests

RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 99
RESPONSE : We are his people : the sheep of

his flock

SECOND READING: Romans 5: 6-1
Now that we have been reconciled by the death of his Son, surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son

GOSPEL: Matthew 9:36 - 10:8

The harvest is rich but the labourers are few When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them.....These are the names of the twelve apostles: first. Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John: Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus: Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them as follows: 'Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town: go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.'

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LAST WEEK'S MASS COLLECTIONS

1st Collection £723.03 (this includes share of the collection taken up at the Linn Cemetery Mass last Saturday)

Our next Diocesan 2nd collection will be on **Sunday** 2nd July, for Peter's Pence.



PARISH HALL

Below is a message that Fr. Ian posted on Facebook with news about our Parish Hall. A survey is scheduled next week, and once we have the details from that, we can make a decision on how we move forward.

Dear one and all.

It is with a deep sense of regret and sadness that I share with you the need to close with immediate effect our parish hall.

Hopefully this is a temporary measure, however, following a verbal report and recommendation based on a recent site visit and advice from the Archdiocese this morning, I cannot run the risk that injury or worse should befall any user of our hall.

I have requested an official survey to be carried out, and I hope that this might be completed by June 21, the date for the next scheduled meeting of the PPC or as soon as is practically possible.

So until further announcement, beginning this evening Tuesday June 13, our hall is unavailable for use by anyone. Thanks for your patience.

Fr. lan



In today's Gospel, we hear how Jesus cared for the people and sent his disciples to do the same

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC)

Meeting of PPC on Wednesday 21st June at 7pm. Please note, as we have no access to the Parish Hall, this meeting will take place in the Parish House.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS TRAINING/REFRESHER (Please note date change)

A meeting of Eucharistic Ministers has been scheduled for **Monday 19th June** at 7pm. in St. Bartholomew's church.

A number of new Eucharistic Ministers will be commissioned over the next few weeks, and they are asked to attend this session too.

AWARD IN CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION

Just a reminder there will be an Information Evening for this course in Clyde Street on Thursday 22^{nd} June, 7pm.

As a catechist in the Archdiocese, you could deepen your knowledge of Jesus Christ and the Catholic Faith and so share it with others.

The clergy have been asked to consider suitable candidates from our parish who, given a basic catechetical formation in Dogma, Scripture, Liturgy, Catechesis, Moral Theology and the Sacraments, could serve as catechists.

INTERESTED? Speak to Fr. Ian for an application form. If selected and you successfully complete the course, you will be commissioned by the Archbishop as a catechist.

This course is an Archdiocese led two year programme in partnership with the University of Glasgow School of Education directed towards the formation of Catechists to work in parishes.

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM in Reparation & Prayer for the Sanctity of Life:

Led by The Most Rev. Kevin McDonald, Archbishop Emeritus of Southwark. Commencing at the 12 Noon Pilgrim Mass in the Chapel of Reconciliation on **Saturday 5th August 2023**. For coach details please go to www.prolifepilgrimage.org or call 01858 571242 / 07779 122365. Follow online at www.prolifepilgrimage.org or call 01858 571242 / 07779 122365. Follow online at youtube.com/c/WalsinghamCatholicTV or walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/

MONTHLY PRO-LIFE MASS

The monthly Pro-Life Mass is on **Wednesday, 21st June** at 7.30pm at Holy Cross, 113 Dixon Ave, G42 8ER. Adoration begins at 6.15pm. Tea in the hall afterwards – all welcome. The celebrant will be Fr Liam McMahon.

SPONSORED WALK

The sponsored walk scheduled for Sunday 25th June has been **POSTPONED**.