

MASS and PRAYER REQUESTS

RECENTLY DECEASED : Margaret Hart, Linda Rotchford, Marie Somers

MONTHS MIND : Joe Hilferty

ANNIVERSARIES: Hugh Meechan, Violet Fallone, Claire, Luke, and Thomas Gallacher (baby)

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS : Lynsey O'Reilly

SPECIAL INTENTIONS : Theresa Dougherty, For the souls in deepest purgatory, Isa Daniels, John Rotchford, May McMillan, Gabriel Tiago Wiza, Betty Thomson, Clergy in the deepest levels of purgatory, Olivia Robb, Joe Capra

CARFIN PILGRIMAGES IN YEAR OF PRAYER

Pope Francis has declared this year a Year of Prayer in preparation for the Holy Year of 2025. Carfin Pilgrimages have been arranged by the Legion of Mary on

13th August,
13th September and
13th October.

Each evening begins at 7.30pm with Rosary Procession followed by Holy Mass and Benediction until 9pm. Prayers offered for world peace, young people, vocations and Parish renewal.

BUS TO CARFIN

Anyone wishing to goto Carfin on 13th August should put name on list at back of the church, payment of £9 required in advance.

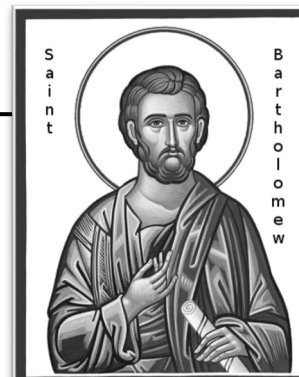
All welcome.

ROSARY

We pray the Rosary every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 9:10am, prior to our morning Mass at 9:30am and it's a such a spiritual way to begin your day.

The rosary, these powerful prayers, allows you to meditate on Scripture and the key moments during Jesus' life. We use the rosary to pray to God through the intercession of Mary. With the prayers of the rosary, we ask Mary to pray for us and to guide us by the example of her son, Jesus.

Join us during the week to pray the rosary together.



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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B 4th August 2024

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Fr. Ian Bathgate sx

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Fr. Eugenio Montesi sx

Fr. Willie Hattie 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 : Exodus 16 : 2-4, 12-15
The Lord sends manna from heaven

RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 77
RESPONSE *The Lord gave them bread from heaven*

SECOND READING : Ephesians 4 : 17, 20-24
Put aside your old self and put on the new

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus.

You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires.

Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

GOSPEL : John 6 : 24 - 35
It is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven; I am the bread of life

LAST SUNDAY MASS COLLECTIONS

1 st Collection	£751.20
Renovation (21 st July)	£202.67
Renovation (28 th July)	£275.20

Today, Sunday 4th August and next Sunday 11th August, there will be a retiring collection for the painting of our church and other improvements.

Many thanks for your generosity to our parish collections and the additional Archdiocese special collections - it is very much appreciated. Thank you.

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(to donate to
St. Bartholomew's)



CLERGY CHANGES

After the disappointing news announced by Fr. Ian a few weeks ago that the Xaverian Missionaries are on the move from our parish, Archbishop Nolan has appointed Fr. Joe Sullivan as Parish Priest of St. Bartholomew's and St. Margaret Mary's. Fr. Joe is currently Parish Priest of Holy Cross, Croy.

This change will take effect from Friday 20th September 2024.

While we are sad and sorry to hear that Fr. Ian, Fr. Montesi and Fr. Willie are leaving, we can all give a huge St. Bartholomew's welcome to Fr. Joe when he is here for his first mass in our parish on Sunday 22nd September.

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Following consultation between both Parish Pastoral Council's (PPCs) and Fr. Joe himself, the need to alter our Sunday morning mass times so that Fr. Joe has time to "meet and greet" folk in both parishes after each morning mass was accepted. The altered times are:

St. Margaret Mary's - 0930am,
St. Bartholomew's - 11:30am

The new times will begin the weekend of September 7th. The Xaverians' last weekend is September 14/15.

LIFTS REQUIRED – Can you help?

We realise that the change of mass times causes significant challenges for those who depend on public transport to get to church, but this change also demands of those who drive, an opportunity to serve others and offer "a lift" to and from church if you have space in your vehicle.

If you would be willing to offer this service, please get in touch and leave your contact details including which church you go to on a Sunday morning and how many "spaces" you have.

GENERAL ELECTION

Many got in touch with their local candidates to understand their views on important issues such as abortion and assisted suicide. Several MP candidates who signed the pro-life *Both Lives* and *End-of-Life Protection* pledges have been elected.

However, as you have probably gathered, there is also bad news. Many MPs with a strong pro-life voting record in Parliament have lost their seats. As the new Parliament begins, we are expecting attempts from MPs to introduce an extreme abortion law that would make it more likely that healthy babies are aborted at home for any reason, up to birth.

On the end-of-life front, last week Lord Falconer introduced a Bill in the House of Lords to legalise assisted suicide and the Prime Minister has pledged that he will make time for MPs to vote on the introduction of assisted suicide.

As we face these major threats, it's important to make it clear to both **new and returning MPs** at the start of this parliamentary cycle that they have a large number of voters in their constituency who don't want to see extreme anti-life changes to our laws.

Right To Life have launched an EasyAction tool on their website that makes it simple for you to contact their local MP asking them to oppose these radical changes to the law.

Ask your MP to protect life in the new Parliament

We are likely to face threats in the new Parliament on both beginning and end-of-life fronts. Ask your local MP to protect the most vulnerable.

Take action: Email your MP today by visiting righttolife.org.uk/newparliament

BAPTISM PREPARATION

If you plan to have your child baptised in St. Bartholomew's parish, you are required to attend a preparation class prior to baptism. The next baptism preparation session is scheduled for **Saturday 17th August at 11am** in the church (please use side door).

BAPTISM

Recently, we welcomed Baby Samuel and his Mum Janka and Dad Gregor, and their family and friends, to witness and participate in Samuel's Baptism. A very warm welcome to Samuel as he becomes part of our parish family.

As Samuel begins his journey of faith, we wish him and his family every blessing and a lifetime spent rejoicing in God's love! May he be filled with God's love and grace.

APPEAL

We urgently require some extra help to assist in the gardens and grounds in the parish. Could you offer a few hours each week to help out? If so, please come and speak to us!