Catholic Teacher's Certificate in Religious Education (CTC) in academic year 2016/17: Those wishing to teach in Catholic Schools have 2 options for obtaining the certificate -

- 1. CREDL (Certificate in Religious Education by Distance-learning), a two-semester University of Glasgow route for qualified teachers, or for students studying an ITE programme at other universities. Cost £200. (£455 with a subsidy of £255 from the http://www.gla.ac.uk/postgraduate/taught/ applicant's diocese.) religiouseducationbydistancelearning/
- 2. 'Setting Out On the Road', managed by the Scottish Catholic Education Service to introduce 'This Is Our Faith', the Church's R.E. syllabus—4 study days and distance -learning across one school year. Cost £200. http://sces.org.uk/setting-out-on-theroad/

In this week's Scottish Catholic Observer: Greens oppose environment of Catholic schools in Scotland; Fr Colin MacInnes reports from quake in Ecuador; ACN reacts to unanimous ISIS genocide recognition by MPs; Pro-life activists stand up in Edinburgh and Glasgow

The Catholic Nurses Guild of Scotland International Nurses Day Mass in the Glass Chapel, Carfin Grotto, Thursday 12th May at 7.00pm. All welcome.

East Kilbride Dementia Carers Group charity race night Friday 27th May at 7.00pm in St Vincent's Church Hall. Tickets £5 from info@dementiacarers.co.uk (01355 244123).

Please pray for our sick and housebound and for those who care for them:

Canon Ryan, Lorraine Tamburrini, Jo Reilly, Graham White, Ellen Kelly, Ellen Welsh, Bernadette Coogans, Alexander Warren, Dan Hughes, Nan Martin, Lily Halleron, Chris Cusack, Marjory Hughes, Pat Fullarton, Ann O'Neil, Jack McLaughlin, Margaret Peden, Lorraine O'Donnell, Richard Tamburrini, Rose Drumgold, Cathie Spiers, Betty Murphy, Joseph Gallagher, Mary Hoban, Elizabeth Graham, Jim McFarlane, Mairi Louise Carberry, Robert Moffat, Helen Paynter, Dermot Ryan, Fr Michael O'Leary, Ann Robb, Elizabeth Hunter, Robert Williamson, Patricia Thomson, Richard O'Donnell, Harry Sheridan, Jim Thornbury, Sheila Torrance, Alice Nimmo, Lyndsay McMahon, Malcolm Buchanan, Michael McShane, Frank Mellon, Alec Cowan, Marion Greenan, Olivia Anderson, Mariella Findlay, Peter Dryden, Laura Cunningham, Margaret McPhail, Maureen Russell, Daphne Dowie, Albert Di Maio, Mark Di Maio, John Kane, Debra Smith, Rona MacEwan, Jimmy Feeney, Adriana Sidoti, Laura Niven, Mgr Peter Smith.

Recently dead: Jeanette Finn, Helen Ashley, Tom Gallagher, Tom McBrearty.

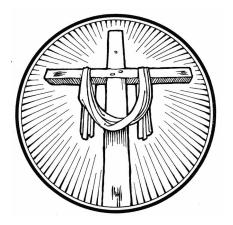
Anniversaries: John Whyte, Rose Whyte, Anne Drum, Rose Lee, Neil McTaggart, Helen and Peter Orsi, Sarah Coyle, Denis Maguire, David Canavan, James Dodds (snr), Bridgit Caullay.

> *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,* through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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Sunday 1st May 2016

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Masses

Monday - Friday 10.00am Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Sunday 9.30am, 11.30am, 6.00pm.



Confessions

After Vigil Mass (in the Oratory), After the Thursday **Evening Holy Hour** (from 7pm in the Hall), and on request.

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Peace I give to you.

The Holy Spirit is sent by the Father in the name of Christ to inspire a new life in us. What is important is not external rules and regulations, but keeping God's law through a real conversion of heart. Then the peace of Christ, which the world cannot give, will come to us as Christ's gift.

Feasts this Week: *Monday,* St Athanasius; *Tuesday,* St Philip and St James; *Thursday,* The Ascension of the Lord On *Friday* the **Novena to the Holy Spirit** begins.

Thursday of this week (5th May) is the Solemnity of the Ascension and a holyday of obligation. Mass for parishioners and school staff will be celebrated at <u>9.45am</u> in St Andrew's and St Bride's High School. 5th May is an in-service training day in all South Lanarkshire schools. Unfortunately there were be no tea/coffee available after Mass.

Parish Liturgies this Week (while Fr Rafal is away in Poland): Mass as usual on Monday and Tuesday; Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion at 10am on Wednesday and Friday; Mass for the Holyday of Obligation on Thursday and all weekend Masses will be celebrated by Fr John McFadden of the Spiritans (Holy Ghost Fathers).

Ordinations to the Diaconate: Congratulations this weekend to two young men from our diocese, Paul Denny and Bernard Mournian, who will be ordained as Deacons by Bishop Toal in the chapel of the Scots College, Rome.

Next Sunday is the World Communications Day and there will be a special collection at all weekend Masses for the apostolate of communications.

Last week's Special Collection for Ukraine raised the sum of £767.92 –thank you for your generosity.

We have also received a letter from the Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Conception thanking us for our contribution of £2,265.89 in response to their recent mission appeal.

Fundraising Concert: The concert held on Saturday 23rd April was a great success with people enjoying the relaxed atmosphere and the entertainment of well known folk songs as well as new ones sung by Franklyn and Heelster Gowdie. We also learned of the very valuable evangelising work of AGAP founded by the Archdiocese of Glasgow. A special thanks to Matt Lynch from our Parish who along with the Parish Together Committee organised a very successful and enjoyable evening. Thanks also to those who contributed to the catering and donated prizes for the raffle. The total sum raised was £1260.00.

Holiday Group: Parish Holiday to Ireland 5th - 10th June 2016. The balance of the holiday is now due. Final payment date this Thursday 5th May. For details and further information please contact Marion 223088 or Margaret 231751.

Ladies Phoenix Club meets this Monday 2nd May at 1.30pm. Our guest will be Mr Bill Cree talking about the history of Glasgow's Fires. We will also have a raffle. All welcome.

Care Homes: Mass will be celebrated at 2.00pm on Monday 2nd May in Cathkin Home.

Baptism Congratulations to Latan who will be baptised this Sunday at 11.30 Mass, and to his parents Kelly Ceery and John Gilbey

Wedding Congratulation to Pauline Beattie and Bryan Ferrar from our parish who will be married on Sunday afternoon in Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

Dates for your diary:

PARISH

- Thursday 19th May Tombola and Coffee Morning after 10am Mass
- We hope to have our new kitchen in operation by the end of May
- Thursday 16th June Buffet Lunch in the Pastoral Centre
- Sunday 19th June Millport Cycle Run

DIOCESAN AND NATIONAL

- Monday 9th May the Pilgrim's Mass at Carfin at 1.00pm will be celebrated by Cardinal Bo of Myanmar (Burma)
- 13th of each month May—October, Fatima Mass & Procession, 7.30pm at Carfin
- Sunday 29th May, Corpus Christi Procession at Carfin Grotto at 3.00pm, with Jubilee of Deacons and renewal of diaconal promises.
- Sunday, 5th June, Irish Day at Carfin Grotto, Concelebrated Mass 3.00pm
- Sunday 12th June, pilgrimage to Dunfermline in honour of St Margaret of Scotland. 3pm procession with relics through the town; 4pm Mass in St Margaret's Memorial Church celebrated by Archbishop Cushley
- Sunday 26th June, Diocesan Lourdes Mass for the sick at Carfin, 3.00pm

FOR OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

The Children's Liturgy continues this Sunday at 9.30am Mass.

First Holy Communion for the pupils of St Kenneth's Primary will be celebrated in Our Lady of Lourdes Church this Saturday 7th May at 11.00am and next Saturday 14th May at 10.00am.

Prayer partners for St Hilary's First Communicants: Please sign next to a photograph if you are willing to support a child with your prayers.

Confirmation Preparation begins THIS SUNDAY 1st May, with a special liturgy in the Pastoral Centre for the Confirmandi during 9.30am Mass. Student volunteers from S3 at St Andrew's and St Bride's High School will help with the preparation. The children from St Kenneth's will be confirmed in Our Lady of Lourdes' Church on Wednesday 22nd June; the children from St Hilary's will be confirmed in Our Lady of Lourdes' Church on Wednesday 8th June at 7.00pm. Bishop Toal will visit St Hilary's Confirmandi on Wednesday 4th May.

St Andrew's and St Bride's High School - Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Justin Isaac this Wednesday and Friday at 8.20am. All families, children or students from our parish and from other parishes in East Kilbride are welcome.

South Lanarkshire Older People's Assembly: The Parish has been offered 5 places at a meeting on Friday 3rd June in the Ballerup Hall, from10.30-12.30, followed by lunch. Information and resources will be provided of interest to people in retirement or coming up to retirement. If you would like to attend, please speak to Deacon John McGarry, advising of any dietary requirements.