FOR OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Are you thinking about joining our Altar Servers? What a wonderful way of thanking Jesus for the gift of Holy Communion! There will be a meeting at 6.00pm in the Parish Hall this Thursday 16th June for children P4 or older who want to find out more.

The Children's Liturgy: The season will conclude this weekend with a Family Mass at 9.30am on Sunday 12th June. Thanks to all who have supported this important element of parish life throughout the year. All Children's Liturgy Leaders are invited to attend an and-of-year review meeting in the Parish Library at 7.00pm this Monday 13th June.

Confirmation: Congratulations to the children from St Hilary's Primary School who were confirmed by Bishop Toal in Our Lady of Lourdes' Church on Wednesday 8th June. The children from St Kenneth's will be confirmed in Our Lady of Lourdes' Church on Wednesday 22nd June.

St Andrew's and St Bride's: Mass in the Oratory at 8.20am on Monday and Friday.

Baptism Congratulations to Eilidh Amelia Rouse who will be baptised at 11.30 Mass this Sunday, and to her parents Stephanie and Stephen Rouse.

OUR PARISH IN THE COMMUNITY

This month's Pro-Life Mass is on Wednesday, 15th June in Bl. John Duns Scotus, 270 Ballater St, Gorbals G5 0YT. Adoration at 6.00pm, followed by Rosary at 7.00pm and Mass at 7.30pm, with tea and biscuits afterwards. Celebrant will be Fr Anthony Gallagher.

Kilbryde Hospice: Quiz Night Friday 24th June from 7.30pm. Teams of 4-8, entry £4per person. Phone 01355 202020 or email fundraising@kilbrydehospice.org.uk.

Readers for 10.00am Mass this week: Monday 13th, Rosemary; Tuesday 14th, Evelyn; Wednesday 15th, Pat; Thursday 16th, Cathie McD; Friday 17th, Betty.

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

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

Anniversary: John McGregor, Jim Clarke, Evelyn Knight, Agnes Magill.

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 12th June 2016



Eleventh Sunday of the Year

Masses

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

Confessions

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

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The Very Reverend Michael Canon Ryan

St Bride's parishioners and members of the wider community, as well of course as family and friends in Ireland, were saddened to hear of the death in Hairmyres Hospital on Friday 3 June of Canon Michael Ryan, our Parish Priest from 1989 until he retired from active ministry in 2011 to live out the rest of his life in residence in the chapel house, where he continued his priestly ministry through the daily celebration of Mass and supporting parishioners in many other ways.

Canon Michael was born in Gurteen, County Sligo, on 12 October 1934 to parents Patrick and Mary Ryan, and had four younger siblings: Daphne, Dermot, Marie and Nicholas. After attending the local primary school in Gurteen he spent five years in St Nathy's High School before entering seminary in Thurles. He was ordained priest on 14 June 1959, his first parish being Our Lady of Lourdes in East Kilbride where he served as curate and hospital chaplain for seven years, before being appointed to Parishes in Hamilton, Motherwell, Newarthill, and Garthamlock, returning finally to East Kilbride in June 1989.

But such a biographical account does not describe the person Canon Michael was, and we will all have our own stories to tell. However, a common factor in all of these will be his compassion, his ability to listen without judging, his extensive knowledge of history, geography and current affairs, his enquiring mind and desire to learn, his sense of humour and hearty laugh. Canon Michael had a sense of the ridiculous, seeing fun around him in the unlikeliest of places. In more serious moments he sat at the bedsides of the sick and the dying, or in the confessional waiting to offer God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. For years he made his prayerful preparation for Mass in the room now called the Parish Library, and offered hospitality to a succession of homeless people who slept in the garage or the Guild Room and left fed, washed and clothed in the morning.

After the beautiful requiem Mass on Friday 10 June in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Canon Michael's mortal remains were taken to Gurteen where, after a Mass celebrated by his cousin Father Martin Naughton, he will be buried alongside his parents on Sunday 12 June, two days before the 57th Anniversary of his priestly ordination.

Canon Michael was courageous and accepting in the face of increasingly deteriorating health, although he at least once said he related his fears for his future health to the Gospel story (John 21:18) where Jesus tells Peter that one day somebody 'will put a belt round you and take you where you would rather not go.' Now he has been taken to a place of light, happiness and peace.

As for us in St Bride's, we might think of Seamus Heaney's words on the death of his mother: 'The space we stood around had been emptied into us to keep'.

Lynn Toner

Father Rafal and Deacon John would like to thank everyone who helped in any way with the preparations for Canon Ryan's funeral rites; those who participated in the rosaries or attended the Reception or Requiem Mass; the Holiday Group for offering Masses and prayers while in Ireland; and everyone from within the parish or beyond who demonstrated their love for Canon Michael by generously giving their comfort and support through prayers, assistance and offers of help.

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

Orders of Service for Canon Ryan's Reception & Requiem Mass can be viewed on the Bulletins section of our parish website www.sbek.org

Feasts this Week: Monday, St Anthony of Padua

Permanent Diaconate: Deacon John and other Deacons from the Diocese recently took part in a video production about the Permanent Diaconate. This moving and thought-provoking film can be viewed on the Facebook page of Holy Family Mossend parish—you don't have to join Facebook to view it, just go to www.facebook.com/holyfamilymossend/ and click on the video.

PARISH EVENTS

Buffet Lunch in the Pastoral Centre this Thursday 16th June: Please arrive as soon as possible after 12.30 to allow everyone to be seated by 1.00pm.

IMPORTANT NOTICE re Third World Group Sponsored Cycle to Millport on Sunday 19th June. The committee are delighted at the great response. Unfortunately, the coach is now full so it means that there are quite a few people on a waiting list, as the company has no other coaches available. Please check that your name is on the bus list. Also anyone not able to go let us know immediately so that we can notify people on the waiting list. If you're on the coach and are cycling or walking remember to pick up a sponsor sheet. For those on the coach not doing the sponsored walk/cycle the minimum sponsor money is £10 as the cost of the day is subsidised by the committee. As Father Rafal is cycling too, those at home please use his sponsor forms at the back of the hall to support him in raising money for Mary's Meals. Any person or family who would like to come independently would be most welcome and can use the DA hall facilities in Millport. Any queries phone Pip on 07751481043

CARFIN

St Bride's Parish Day at Carfin this year will be on Thursday 30th June with Mass at 1.00pm in St Francis Xavier Church, and sung Evening Prayer and Benediction in the Glass Chapel at 8.00pm. There is also Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 12.15pm to 3.30pm. It is a wonderful experience for the parish to lead the Eucharistic celebration at lunchtime and then prayer in the evening.

Diocesan Lourdes Mass for the sick at Carfin, Sunday 26th June, 3.00pm

St Margaret Pilgrimage to Dunfermline this Sunday 12th June. 3.00pm gather at Pittencrieff Park gates for procession. 4.00pm Holy Mass at St Margaret's Memorial Church. www.stmargaretdunfermline.co.uk