The Margaret Sinclair Story: Actress Mary-Frances Jennow plays the lead part in THE MARGARET SINCLAIR STORY in a play in St Patrick's Church, Edinburgh, on Tuesday 9th August. You can pick up the bus at St Bride's at 12.45pm for the trip to Edinburgh via Glasgow. The price of £12 includes transport and entry ticket. For more information please call The Archdiocese of Glasgow Arts Project (AGAP) 0141 552 5527 or Matt Lynch in 07971234313.

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, Marjory Hughes, Dan Hughes, Nan Martin, Richard Tamburrini, Chris Cusack, Ann O'Neil, Pat Fullarton, Lorraine O'Donnell, Jack McLaughlin, Mary Hoban, Ann Robb, Rose Drumgold, Cathie Spiers, Betty Murphy, Joseph Gallagher, Robert Moffat, Elizabeth Graham, Jim McFarlane, Robert Williamson, Mairi Louise Carberry, Helen Paynter, Dermot Ryan, Fr Michael O'Leary, Debra Smith, Elizabeth Hunter, Patricia Thomson, Alec Cowan, John Kane, Richard O'Donnell, Harry Sheridan, Jim Thornbury, Sheila Torrance, Alice Nimmo, Peter Dryden, Frank Mellon, Lyndsay McMahon, Iris Fraser, Malcolm Buchanan, Michael McShane, Laura Cunningham, Joe McGhee, Olivia Anderson, Mariella Findlay, Margaret McPhail, Daphne Dowie, Maureen Russell, Albert Di Maio, Mark Di Maio, Derek O'Neil, Josephine Smith, Phil Moran, Betty Moran, Mgr Peter Smith, Peter King, Marie King, Michael Logan, Adriana Sidoti, Matthew Craig, Baby Aiden McCready, Marie McLinden, Alastair MacMillan

Recently dead: Tony McCole, Mary Florence Crabbe (Edinburgh), Shannon Laverty (Ontario), Frank McColl, Eilish Murphy, Paul Kilpatrick, Ronnie Bieler (Australia)

Anniversary: Sam Lynas, the deceased members of the Tomkus family, Mark Thomas Ritchie, John Buchanan, John McHugh, Mary Purcell, John McCaffery

> 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 17th July 2016



Sixteenth 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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Christ our welcome guest.

Jesus Christ was welcomed by Martha and Mary in different ways. Martha was anxious to prepare a meal for him, while Mary kept him company, listening to all he had to say. Christ calls us to listen to him with love. It is love that opens our heart to his message when he comes to share his life with us.

Feasts this Week: *Friday,* St Mary Magdalene; *Saturday,* St Bridget. **St Mary Magdalene:** Pope Francis has raised the celebration of the memorial of St Mary Magdalene to the dignity of a liturgical Feast, recognizing the importance of her role as the "apostle to the apostles." In the modern Church calendar, saints may be commemorated with a memorial (optional or obligatory), feast, or solemnity. By making the commemoration of Mary Magdalene a feast, it is elevated to the same grade as that of the apostles.

In a letter announcing the change, made in a decree signed 3 June 2016, the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart, the Secretary of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, Archbishop Arthur Roche, writes the decision means one "should reflect more deeply on the dignity of women, the New Evangelization, and the greatness of the mystery of Divine Mercy." Mary Magdalene was the first witness to the Resurrection, and is the one who announced the event to the Apostles.

Care Homes: Mass will be celebrated at 2.00pm on Tuesday 19th July in McKillop Gardens Care Home.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): Are you interested in becoming a member of the Catholic church, or simply in finding out more about the Catholic faith? Our parish RCIA programme starts late September - please speak to Fr Rafal if you would like more information.

The Annual SVdP outing to Largs for our Senior Citizens will take place on Thursday, 11th August. The bus will leave from St Bride's Pastoral Centre at 11.30 am and will leave Largs at 6.00 pm, returning to St Bride's at approximately 7.00 pm. Those interested are asked to put their names on the list in the **green folder** on the table at the back.

Date for your diary: Thursday 25th August: Coffee Mornings resume in the Hall after 10.00am Mass.

Readers for 10.00am Mass this week: *Monday 18th,* Rosemary; *Tuesday 19th,* Evelyn; *Wednesday 20th,* Pat; *Thursday 21st,*; Cathy McD *Friday 22nd,* Betty.

REOPENING OF THE CHURCH

The contractors are now getting ready to hand back the church to the parish and we hope to provide confirmation of the date of entry next weekend. For the latest information on the project, please take home and read the "Report on the Repair Programme," available this weekend.

Our Saturday Vigil and all Sunday Masses will be celebrated in the church as soon as possible. Weekday Masses will continue to be celebrated in the Hall in the meantime.

Cleaning: The contractors have already cleaned most of the building dust and debris from the benches, but they would still benefit from a final thorough clean and polish to restore them to a usable condition. Accordingly, two cleaning sessions have been scheduled, on the morning of Saturday 23rd July (from 10.00am to 12 noon), *and* from 6.00pm till 8.00pm on Monday 25th July. We are aiming for about 20 cleaners for each session—if you can help, please enter your name on the list after Mass this weekend. Fr Rafal is very grateful for the support and the offers of help from many people.

Thursday 4th August: Months Mind Mass for Canon Ryan.

Fr Rafal and the community of St. Bride's have decided to postpone the traditional Month's Mind Mass so that we can have a Memorial Mass for Canon Michael in our own church. The date of this Mass is Thursday August 4th, (Feast of St. John Vianney) at 7.00pm. All welcome.

Club 200: The Small Lottery License has now been obtained from South Lanarkshire Council—look out for information about signing-up for our Club 200 over the next few weeks.

Countdown to the Reopening of St Bride's

As we prepare to return to the renovated St Bride's, we will bring you each week a few facts and stories you might not know. Remember that not everything you hear or read about St Bride's is actually true!

One of the stories associated with St Bride's is that the bricklayers were told by the architects not to lay more than five bricks in the same orientation. This was in order to break up the uniformity of the massive brick walls. If you look closely, there are several locations where six bricks are laid the same way - one is low down on the East wall near the back of the church. Will you be able to find it?

Please keep reading the bulletin and the Parish's twitter feed for the latest news.