Kilbryde Hospice: Fundraising coffee morning in the café area of the hospice from 11.00am -1.00pm on the 2nd Monday of every month, beginning Monday 8th February. All welcome, no entrance fee, just a donation. Contributions of homebaking welcome. Raffle.

East Kilbride Churches Working Together - Deacon John will attend an "update" meeting on Thursday 28th January about the work of the Christians Against Poverty and the Food Bank which continues to be so generously supported by our parishioners.

In this week's Scottish Catholic Observer: Pope Invited to Scots College Rome for 400th Anniversary; Two Catholics nominated as Scotswomen of the year; Pope Francis surprise visits as part of Year of Mercy; Violence: Not in God's Name pope says during synagogue visit.

Glasgow Phoenix Choir: Concert in Cadzow Parish Church, Hamilton on Saturday 27th February at 7.30pm in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support.

Schola Cantorum Winter Concert: Tuesday 9th February at 7.30pm -St. Aloysius Church, Rose Street, Glasgow. Tickets £5 (under 18s free) from nwhite@staloysius.org Featuring a selection of sacred music including "A Ceremony of Carols" by Benjamin Britten

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

Canon Ryan, Fr Bergin, Lorraine Tamburrini, Jo Reilly, Graham White, Ellen Kelly, Ellen Welsh, Bernadette Coogans, Margaret Donachy, Dan Hughes, Eileen Biggins, Lily Halleron, Chris Cusack, Marjory Hughes, Nan Martin, Pat Fullarton, Jack McLaughlin, Margaret Peden, Lorraine O'Donnell, Rose Drumgold, Richard Tamburrini, Betty Murphy, Margaret Rose McMahon, Joseph Gallagher, Michael McShane, James McCabe, Mary Hoban, May Cheney, Elizabeth Graham, Mairi Louise Carberry, Alexander Warren, Jim McFarlane, Fr Michael O'Leary, Robert Moffat, Helen Paynter, Robert Williamson, Elizabeth Hunter and Patricia Thomson.

Recently dead: Canon Edward Glackin (PP St Columba's Viewpark—funeral at St Columba's Monday 11.30), John Campbell (Texas, formerly Glasgow), Andy McGhee (Blantyre), Sadie Creechan, Cathie Martin, Betty Flanagan, Sheena Nairn, Joan Laird.

First Anniversary: Matthew Lawler

Anniversary: May Stone, Mary Ann Lorimer

Birthday Remembrance: Jim Clarke

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 24th January 2016 Third Sunday of the Year C

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 until 8pm in the Hall). and on request.

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Sunday Reflection from the Redemptorists

Together we are Christ's body. We belong to the Church of which the head is Christ. Just as the human body is made up of many parts, all of which are interdependent, so we too are dependent on each other and ultimately on Christ. The Holy Spirit is given to us so that we may bring the Good News to those who are poor. On our lives we witness to the fulfilling of God's promises.

Feasts this Week: Monday, The Conversion of St Paul; **Tuesday**, St Timothy and St Titus; **Thursday**, St Thomas Aquinas

Care Homes: Mass will be celebrated at 2.30 pm on Wednesday 27th January in Acorn Park.

Next Sunday is Education Sunday. There will be a Special Collection at all Masses for the work of the Scottish Catholic Education Service.

February 2nd is World Day of Consecrated Life.

Christian Unity Week: Father Rafal will attend the service in the Old Parish Church **this Sunday** 24th January at 2pm. All parishioners are warmly invited.

The World Day of Prayer: Every year Christians of many traditions and all ages celebrate a common day of prayer on the first Friday in March. This year St Bride's parishioners are invited to join the service at the Old Parish Church on Friday 4th March at 2pm. The theme for 2016 is "Receive children. Receive me" and the service has been written by the women of Cuba. Andrea Muldoon is looking for a parishioner to join her in representing St Bride's. Please contact Andrea on 07854134900 if you would like to take part.

CarParking:

For Sunday Masses in the High School: For the safety of pedestrians, please avoid parking on Platthorn Drive and instead use the school carpark when attending Vigil and Sunday morning Masses. Please drive clockwise round the car park — just like a roundabout.

For Midweek Masses: Parking restrictions are in force on Platthorn Drive, Avondale Avenue, Whitemoss Road etc, from Monday to Saturday 8.00am – 6.00pm. Parking attendants have been issuing tickets, so please use the Chapelhouse carpark or Pastoral Centre carpark.

Christmas Crib Appeal: Collection boxes for St Margaret's Children and Family Care Society should be returned as soon as possible.

FOR OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Next Sunday 31st January is Education Sunday, marking the start of a week when we celebrate the importance of educating children and young people in faith. The theme of this year's Catholic Education Week, "Learning to be Merciful" has been inspired by the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy taking place throughout the world from 8th December 2015 to 20th November 2016. A letter from Archbishop Tartaglia will be read at all Masses.

The Annual Education Mass will take place in Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral, Motherwell, on Wednesday 27th January at 7.30pm.

St Andrew's and St Bride's High School Patronal Feast Day Mass: Bishop Toal will celebrate Mass at 9.45am in the school on Monday 1st February with Fr Rafal and Deacon John to mark the feast of St Bride. There will be no Parish Mass that morning, and parishioners are warmly invited to join in the celebration of Mass in the school.

The Commitment Mass for First Communion and First Reconciliation: This Sunday at 9.30am we welcome the children from St Kenneth's Primary who, supported by their families and the whole parish community, are preparing to celebrate these Sacraments: First Reconciliation on Thursday 10th March (note finalised date) and First Communion on Saturday 7th and Saturday 14th May.

There will be NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY programme this Sunday.

The final 2 weeks of "The Big Hug" programme will be on 31st January and 7th February. The preparation programme for First Communion will run on 14th, 21st, 28th February and 6th March.

St Andrew's & St Bride's High School: Mass will be celebrated by Fr Rafal in the Oratory at 8.20am on Monday and Friday this week.

Holiday Group: Proposed tour to LONDON Friday 18th – Sunday 20th March, to attend the Classical Spectacular Concert in the Albert Hall. *If you are interested in this trip please let me know a soon as possible as it will not go ahead without sufficient support.* For further information please phone Marion Tel: 223088

There are still vacancies for our trip to KILLARNEY June 5th - 10th.

Food Bank: Please continue to bring your donations to the Parish Centre or High School (at weekend Masses), or simply leave your bag in the Parish Library.