The Margaret Sinclair Story: in St Patrick's Church, Edinburgh, 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.

Scotland's Churches Trust Annual Lecture will be given by Professor Ian Campbell of Edinburgh University at St George's Tron Church, Glasgow, at 6.00pm on 29th of September, 2016. As an SCT member church we have been offered priority tickets for which there will be no charge. If you are interested in attending please contact Christine on 232912 or email bulletin@sbek.org.

Food Bank: Please continue to bring your donations to the school or hall—their supplies are running low at the moment.

Thanks: The O'Neil family would like to thank all who have been praying for Ann during her recent illness

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, John Muldoon, Jean O'Hare.

Anniversary: Mary McCorry, James Park, Alice Brown

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 July 2016



Seventeenth 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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God is our Father.

Jesus teaches us to call God "Father" when we pray. Through Baptismnwe are made one with Christ; we too are children of God. We are taught to persist in our prayers, assured that God will answer us because he is our Father. Jesus tells us to ask until we receive and to seek and until we find.

Feasts this Week: *Monday,* St James; *Tuesday,* St Joachim and St Anne; *Friday,* St Martha.

World Youth Day: This week Fr Rafal will be travelling to Krakow in Poland for World Youth Day. At the world's biggest youth festival Pope Francis will greet over 1 million young pilgrims, "a mosaic of different faces, from many races, languages, peoples and cultures, but all united in the name of Jesus, Who is the face of Mercy".

Parish Liturgies this week: Mass at 10.00am on Monday and Tuesday in the Parish Centre. On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 10.00am there will be a Liturgy of the Word with distribution of Holy Communion.

Fr Jakob Okafor: On Saturday 30th July we will welcome Fr Jakob, a parish priest from Nigeria, to our parish. Fr Jakob will be supplying here throughout the month of August.

REOPENING OF THE CHURCH

The church has been closed since 3rd January this year, but after the completion of an extensive programme of renovation the building will shortly be handed back to the parish by the contractors. The first mass to be celebrated in our newly re-opened church will be the **Months Mind Mass for Canon Ryan on Thursday 4th August at 7.00pm.** The date of this Mass was postponed to allow Fr Rafal and the parish community to have a Memorial Mass for Canon Michael in our own church. All are welcome, and there will be an opportunity to gather for tea and coffee in the Parish Centre afterwards.

From the weekend of 6th/7th August our Saturday Vigil and all Sunday Masses will be celebrated in the church. Weekday Masses will continue to be celebrated in the Hall in the meantime.

Cleaning—Thanks to all those who volunteered to clean the benches this Saturday or on Monday 25th July.

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.

One of the most striking features of St Bride's was the 90-ft free-standing campanile. According to Monsignor McIntyre (Parish Priest of St Bride's between 1986 and 1988), the campanile was not in the Gillespie Kidd & Coia original concept design – it was suggested by Bishop Scanlan. The final height of the campanile was seemingly decided upon by the architects who, having regularly viewed it from a distance, told that bricklayers one day that it was now 'high enough'.

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

Third World Group: The magnificent sum of just over £3000 has been raised for Mary's Meals from this year's Millport Sponsored Cycle Run. A great big thank you to Fr Rafal for supporting the project so well, to all who participated on the day and to the many parishioners who sponsored Fr Rafal so generously.

Don't miss our collage of photos from this year's trip, on display after weekend Masses.

Thanks to customers who have handed back the change from their purchases at the church stall - the sum of £25 has now been donated to the Third World Group.

The Portiuncula Indulgence, a plenary indulgence first granted through the intercession of St. Francis of Assisi in 1221, is available to the Catholic faithful from Midday August 1st until Midnight August 2nd under these conditions:

- Go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation within 8 days before or after 1st August
- With a contrite heart, go to a parish church and attend Mass and receive the Blessed Sacrament
- Pray the Our Father, the Apostles Creed, and a prayer of your choice for the intentions of the pope.

To be granted an indulgence means that the Church lessens the temporal penalties to which we may be subject even though our sins have been forgiven.

Care Homes: There will be a Liturgy of the Word with distribution of Holy Communion at 2.30pm (note time) on Wednesday 27th July in Acorn Park 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.

Coffee Mornings will resume in the Hall after 10.00am Mass on Thursday 25th August.

Readers for 10.00am Mass this week: *Monday 25th,* Josephine; *Tuesday 26th,* Christine; *Wednesday 27th,* Ian; *Thursday 28th,* Cathy McS; *Friday 29th,* Paul.

The updated Readers' Rota for 10am Mass from 25th July - 2nd September is displayed on the noticeboard in the hall and on the website

Baptism Congratulations to Adam Scott Mullen who was baptised at 11.30am Mass on Sunday 17th July, and to his parents Ross and Evelyn.

Wedding Congratulations to Rosemary Carr and Joseph McGlone who were married by Fr Rafal in Our Lady of Lourdes Church on Thursday 21st July.