The Cardinal Winning Pro-Life Initiative: Grand Sale on Saturday, 10th September from 12.00-4.00pm. at 104 Albert Road, Crosshill, Glasgow G42 8DR. Clothes, toys, books, shoes, bags, jewellery, bric-a-brac, new and not-so-new. Please come along!

St Aloysius College Centre for Social and Environmental Justice: Mercy on the Margin Lecture Series: Tuesday 6th and Tuesday 13th September, St Aloysius' College Hall at 7.00pm, admission free.

FFAMS (Families & Friends Against Murder & Suicide): Walk around Strathclyde Park (or part of the park) on Sunday 11th September from 5.00pm, to raise awareness about the impact of suicide on families and communities. Everyone is welcome - No registration fee, sponsorship or fundraising required.

Scottish Catholic Medical Association: Annual General Meeting and Talk on the theme of "Mercy for Healthcare Workers in the Year of Mercy" on Saturday 24th Sept 2016. The day begins with Holy Mass at 10.30am in Turnbull Hall, 15 Southpark Terrace G12 8LG. To book spaces or for info e-mail: scottishcma@gmail.com

A new arrival: We are delighted to announce the safe arrival on 31st August of a daughter for housekeeper Lucy and her husband Marek-little Noemi, a sister for Patrick and Damien

Eddie Meighan RIP: A thanksgiving Mass will be offered for clergy, parishioners, family and friends for their prayers, support and Mass cards over the last 4 years, at the request of Lena Meighan and family.

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, Marie King, Michael Logan, Adriana Sidoti, Matthew Craig, John Muldoon, May Muir, Baby Aiden McCready, Nan Cassidy, Molly Sheridan, Peter McCormack, GinaTaylor, Nick Ridout, James Harkins, James McCabe, Billy Rowlands, May Callaghan and Maureen Croke.

Recently Dead: Maria Kochanska, Alastair MacMillan, Jean O'Hare, Ian Traynor Anniversaries: John and Kitty Quinn, Charlie and Nora Rooney, Luisa Faccenda, Thomas Donnelly Jun, Mary Duffin

> 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 4th September 2016

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Twenty-third Sunday of the Year

Masses

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

Holy Hour

Thursday 7.00pm Confessions After Saturday morning and Vigil Mass, and on request.

Website www.sbek.org chapelhouse@sbek.org Hall Bookings: Alfredo Chiappa 230357

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Feasts this Week: *Thursday*, The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Fr Rafal: We are delighted to welcome Fr Rafal back to the parish this weekend and hope that he enjoyed a refreshing holiday. We extend our thanks and assurances of prayers to **Fr Jacob Okafor** who has ministered so prayerfully to the parish throughout August. Fr Jacob leaves us this Sunday.

Congratulations to Deacon John McGarry on the 5th Anniversary of his ordination to the Diaconate, celebrated on 1st September. We continue to thank God for the great gift of Deacon John's ministry in our parish.

Confessions: There will be no Confessions at the Thursday evening Holy Hour until further notice. There will be an opportunity for Confession after Saturday morning and Vigil Masses, and on request.

Readers' Rotas—10am Mon-Fri Mass: The latest Readers' Rota for 10.00am Mass is displayed on the noticeboard in the sacristy and on the website.

9.30am Sunday: Readers' copies of the new rota from 4th September can be collected from the polypocket on the noticeboard, and the rota can be viewed on the website.

Readers for 10.00am Mass this week: *Monday 5th,* Geralyn; *Tuesday 6th,* Andrea; *Wednesday 7th,* Aileen; *Thursday 8th,* Margaret F; *Friday 9th,* Anne M; *Saturday 10th,* Andrea.

Care Homes: Mass will be celebrated in Cathkin Home on Monday 5th September at 2.00pm and in Kingsgate on Thursday 8th September at 2.00pm.

Bishop Toal: The video of Bishop Toal's presentation on the challenges facing the Diocese of Motherwell can now be viewed on the Diocesan website www.rcdom.org.uk

Whithorn: A number of St Bride's parishioners travelled with Fr Briody's group last Sunday to join the annual pilgrimage by Galloway Diocese to the cave of St Ninian at Whithorn - widely regarded as the place of retreat for Scotland's first saint. The chief celebrant at the Mass was Bishop Emeritus Maurice Taylor.

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 Deacon John if you would like more information.

Third World Group: Committee meeting this Monday 5th September in the Parish Library at 7.30pm. New members will be made most welcome.

Date for your diary: Dance in the Pastoral Centre on Saturday 1st October, with music by the Harker Brothers group (5 piece band). More details later.

St Bride's Ladies Phoenix Club starts back THIS MONDAY 5th September at 1.30pm, when we will be entertained by a concert party from Our Lady's High School Former Pupils' Club.

The Phoenix Club meets every second Monday for two hours, and everyone is welcome. Come along, enjoy the music and have a cup of tea or coffee - $\pounds 2.00$.

Parish Together Committee

We are a group of parishioners who volunteered to help during the renovation of the church building. Now we are looking at ways to fundraise towards the cost of the work. Our numbers are small. We need more members and a broader representation of the parish. Can you come to join us? We need help!

The possibility of a race night in November is being considered. However as a small group with no experience of organising this kind of event we need support. Can you give a helping hand? Any kind of assistance would be appreciated. If there anyone who has run a race night before who is able to give us guidance that would be doubly appreciated. If you wish to join the committee or can help us for the race night please talk to Father Rafal or Deacon John.

FOR OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Children's Liturgy: THIS SUNDAY 4th September there will be a Family Mass with Young Readers at 9:30am. After Mass, the Liturgy Leaders will have a presentation in the Parish Centre, so that parents and guardians can see the material they use and chat with Leaders. And, if you want to know more about becoming a Leader, why not come and ask. There will also be a display from the Parish Children's Library, with an opportunity to borrow books.

Children's Liturgy starts next weekend (Sunday 11th Sept) with all groups in the Parish Centre.

Mass of Thanksgiving for the work of Michael McGrath (*director of the Scottish Catholic Education Service 2003-2006):* The Bishops' Conference of Scotland would like to invite all parishes to join them to celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving for the work that Michael McGrath has contributed to Catholic Education in Scotland. The Mass is being held in Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral at 7.00pm on the 14th September followed by refreshments in St Bride's hall. For catering purposes please let Fr Rafal or Deacon John know if you wish to attend.

Carfin Grotto this Sunday 4th September: National Pilgrimage in the Jubilee Year of Mercy in honour of St Margaret of Scotland, with Mass at 3.00pm and opportunity for Confession from 12 noon. The Parish Church also has a Door of Mercy, so people can fulfil all the conditions to receive the Plenary Indulgence for the Jubilee Year during their Day of Pilgrimage.

Mass of St. Patrick by Philip Green: The Diocesan Choir will perform the 'Mass of St. Patrick' in St. Patrick's, Coatbridge on Sunday 11th September at 7.30pm. The Choir performed this Mass a few years ago to great acclaim. All are welcome and entrance is free.

Canonisation of Mother Teresa: Pope Francis will declare Blessed Teresa of Calcutta a saint at the Vatican on September 4th, the conclusion of the Year of Mercy jubilee for those engaged in works of mercy. Mother Teresa was beatified by St John Paul II in 2003. Bishop Toal will celebrate a Thanksgiving Mass in Motherwell Cathedral at 7.00pm on Monday evening and all are welcome.