#### **OUR PARISH IN THE COMMUNITY**

HCPT Group 522: Camel Race Night on Friday 27th May in St Bride's Pastoral Centre starting 7.30 pm prompt. Entrance £5.00 with raffle, bar and light refreshments. All raffle prize donations will be welcome on the night. Please come along for a Fun Night.

South Lanarkshire Older People's Assembly: The Parish has been offered 5 places at a meeting on Friday 3rd June in the Ballerup Hall, from 10.30 - 12.30, followed by lunch. If you would like to attend, please speak to Deacon John McGarry.

East Kilbride Dementia Carers Group charity race night Friday 27th May at 7.00pm in St Vincent's Church Hall. Tickets £5 from info@dementiacarers.co.uk (01355 244123).

## **Kilbryde Hospice:**

**Coffee Morning** Mon 9th May 11.00am until 1.00pm in the Kilbryde Kafe at the Hospice. Dying Matters Death Awareness Week: Kilbryde Hospice are hosting their first ever "Death Café" on Wednesday 11th May at the Kilbryde Drop-in café from 7.00pm -8.00pm. A death café allows individuals to come together to have an open discussion about death, dving and bereavement whilst having a cup of tea. All welcome. **Quiz Night** Friday 24th June from 7.30pm. Teams of 4-8, entry £4per person. Nibbles will

be provided, BYOB. To book your team place contact the fundraising team on 01355 202020 or fundraising@kilbrydehospice.org.uk as space is limited.

St Andrew's Hospice: Ladies Midnight Walk Saturday 18th June, on a new route starting and finishing at Ravenscraig Regional Sports Facility. Walk 8, 10 or 13 miles. Register now at www.standrewshospicefundraising.com, or call 01236 766951.

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

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

Recently dead: Karen Lambert, Jimmy Feeney.

Anniversaries: Steven Boyle, Tony Di Vito, Sheena Park, Christopher Walker, Mary Ouail, Elizabeth B Richmond Birthday Remembrance: George MacLellan

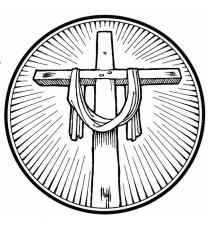
> *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,* through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

**Readers for 10.00am Mass this week:** *Monday 9th*, Josephine; *Tuesday 10th*, Margaret H; Wednesday 11th, Ian; Thursday 12th, Cathy McS; Friday 13th, Paul.

# ST BRIDE'S CHURCH

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Sunday 8th May 2016

# **Seventh Sunday of Easter**

# Masses

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



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

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

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#### Come Lord Jesus!

Jesus Christ is ascended into heaven. We await his second coming and, like Stephen, in faith we see him standing at the right hand of God, where he is constantly praying for us. We join him in our prayers that soon we may be with him.

Feasts this Week: Saturday, St Matthias

**This Sunday is Papal World Day of Communications.** There will be a Special Collection at all weekend masses for the apostolate of communications.

**Parish Liturgies this Week** (while Fr Rafal is away in Poland): Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion at 10am on Monday and Tuesday; Mass at 10.00am as usual for the rest of the week.

**SCIAF Wee Boxes:** We have sent a total of £3,473.97 to SCIAF for the Wee Box appeal. This figure will be matched by the Government.

**Care Homes:** Mass will be celebrated at 2.00pm on Thursday 12th May in Kingsgate Home.

#### **PARISH EVENTS:**

Thursday 19th May: **Coffee morning and Tombola** after 10 am Mass in the Pastoral Centre. We would welcome donations of small prizes for the tombola – these can be handed in after any of the midweek masses.

Thursday 16th June: Names are now being taken for the **Buffet Lunch** in the Pastoral Centre, cost £7.00. Names and money should be given to Sally Hastings (or in her absence to Elizabeth McEntegart) after midweek masses.

#### CARFIN

The 2016 Pilgrimage Season at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes Carfin runs from May through till October. During this time there will be a whole host of Services & events taking place in the Marian Shrine. A full list can be found www.carfingrotto.org (or use the "Links" page on our parish website). While events change week by week, there is generally Mass at 10.00am and 1.00pm (either in the parish church or the glass chapel), and sung Evening Prayer and Benediction in the glass chapel at 8.00pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. On Wednesdays (7.00pm) and Sundays (6.00pm) throughout May there are May Devotions with Benediction.

## SOME FORTHCOMING EVENTS AT CARFIN:

- Mon 9th May Pilgrims' Mass 1.00pm celebrated by Cardinal Bo of Myanmar (Burma)
- 13th of each month from May October, Fatima Mass & Procession, 7.30pm
- Sun 29th May, Corpus Christi Procession at 3.00pm, with Jubilee of Deacons and renewal of diaconal promises.
- Sun 5th June, Irish Day, Concelebrated Mass 3.00pm
- Sun 26th June, Diocesan Lourdes Mass for the sick, 3.00pm

# FOR OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

The Children's Liturgy continues this Sunday at 9.30am Mass.

**Congratulations** to the first group of pupils from St Kenneth's Primary who received the sacrament of **First Holy Communion** on Saturday 7th May in Our Lady of Lourdes Church. The second group will receive the sacrament next Saturday 14th May at 10.00am.

**Prayer partners** for St Hilary's First Communicants: Please sign next to a photograph if you are willing to support a child with your prayers.

**Confirmation preparation** – there is a special liturgy for Confirmandi, a 4 week programme, in the Parish Centre during 9:30am Mass. On Sunday 1st May, the first week of the programme, only 7 children attended. 15 students from the High School turned up to assist in the preparation. The programme continues this Sunday and the next two (8th, 15th and 22nd May). The children from St Kenneth's will be confirmed in Our Lady of Lourdes' Church on Wednesday 22nd June; the children from St Hilary's will be confirmed in Our Lady of Lourdes' Church on Wednesday 8th June at 7.00pm.

**St Andrew's and St Bride's High School** - Mass will be celebrated at 8.20 am by Fr. Justin Isaac this Monday and Wednesday, and by Fr Rafal Sobieszuk on Friday. All families, children or students from our parish and from other parishes in East Kilbride are welcome.

**Catholic Teacher's Certificate in Religious Education (CTC) 2016/17:** Those wishing to teach in Catholic Schools have 2 options for obtaining the certificate -

1. By enrolling for the Certificate in Religious Education by Distance (CRED) at the University of Glasgow: http://www.gla.ac.uk/postgraduate/taught/ religiouseducationbydistancelearning/

2. Or via 4 study days and distance-learning across one school year introducing *This Is Our Faith*, the Church's R.E. syllabus

#### OUR BUILDING

A Cross for the Church – when we consulted parishioners a few weeks ago, there was widespread support for a cross. We discussed the matter with Historic Scotland who indicated they would be happy with the cross assuming it was a corten steel cross located as proposed (in the notch on the east wall). The listed building application is being validated and South Lanarkshire Council have confirmed a Planning application is not required. We are now investigating costs for the support on the building and for the cross. We will provide more information about cost and design, before any decision is taken.

**Church Maintenance post Renovation** – after the renovation is complete, the parish will be responsible for a programme of maintenance, which will include some maintenance on the roof. There will be an access door to the roof from the spiral staircase; there is a raised parapet around the roof and a ladder system is being installed at the north end of the roof. There will also be a harness system for additional security. The contractor has 6 places on a training course for use of the harness system, so we are looking for some volunteers from parishioners to attend. Please email johnny.hastings@outlook.com if you are interested or have questions.