**St Clare’s Church in St John Bosco Parish, Easterhouse:** It is with regret that the Bishop has taken the decision to close St Clare’s Church with immediate effect. This decision was taken due to the high cost of necessary repairs and the low attendance at the Church. It is hoped that Parishioners from St Clare’s will now participate in St Benedict’s Church.

**Free Food Donations:** If you know any parishioners or families within our parish or East Kilbride community who would benefit from free food donations, please let Fr Rafal know asap.

**Poland 2020:** Flights have now been cancelled and we await a full refund.

**Collections During the Pandemic:** Collections baskets are placed at the entrance to the Church. Offerings, cheques, gift aid envelopes can be posted to the Church or through the door of the Chapel House. Alternatively, offerings can be made by bank transfer, the details of which are as follows: St Brides, Sort Code: 82-62-24, Account Number: 40500017. Thank you for any support and generosity during this difficult time. During the period between 21 September and 4 October the collections/donations amounted £2,031.66 of which £1,473.00 was gift aided. Thank you.

**Anniversaries:** Anne Gallagher Goodwin (17 October), Peter & Helen Orsi, Frank Brennan, Martin & Mary Brennan.

**1st Anniversary:** Christine Beattie.

**Recently Dead:** Norah Rankin, Thomas McGougan, Margaret Hannah, William Ward, Gerard Moran, Michael Brady.

**Funeral arrangements:**

1. **RIP Elizabeth Smith** – Vigil Reception on Tuesday 20 October at 6.00 pm and Requiem Mass on Wednesday 21 October at 11.00 am followed by cremation in South Lanarkshire Crematorium.

2. **RIP Hugh McGarvey** - Requiem Mass on Friday 23 October at 1.30pm in St Bride’s Church followed by burial in Philipshill Cemetery at 2.30pm.

   *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 18 October 2020**
29th Sunday - Year A

**Masses**
Monday - Saturday 10am
Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 9.30am, 11.30am and 6.00pm

**Holy Hour**
Thursday evenings 7pm to 8pm

**Confessions**
On request
World Day of Prayer for the Missions: Bishop Toal will celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation in the Cathedral for RCIA Catechumens and Candidates on Sunday 18 October at 3.00 pm during Mass. Let us pray that day for all in the Diocese who are belatedly receiving the Sacraments.

Club 200: This week’s £60 winner is Alison Keenan. Please contact Fr Rafal for details on how to collect your cheque.

My Day by Day Diary: Anyone wishing to place an order for the 2021 Day by Day diary should contact Frances on 07946 165134. The approximate cost of the diary is £4.75/£5.00.

John Henry Newman on the Sense of God in the Conscience: This e-book may be downloaded free of charge to a computer, tablet, or phone. It offers an account of the thought of Saint John Henry Newman on a topic central to his life, namely the Conscience as involving a sense of God. There is also available with it an accompanying free e-book, which is an appendix containing several of Newman’s early manuscript sermons. These e-books may be passed on to friends or acquaintances. John Henry Newman on the Sense of God in the Conscience may be accessed at www.catholic-thoughts.info/johnhenrynewman

On Tuesday 27 October Justice and Peace Scotland will be hosting an evening hearing from inspirational people serving on the frontline of the UK’s hostile border environment. Our speakers include Clare Moseley, Founder, Care4Calais, Br Johannes aertens, Founder, Maria Skobtsova Catholic Worker House, and Alex Holmes from Calais Catholic Worker. To join this online event please register at https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/conversation-on-migration-tickets-122206736639

Rosary Whirlwind British Isles, October 2020: Please see the poster at the back of the Church for details of Rosary Whirlwind British Isles for Faith, Life and Peace, with an invitation for all to join in a daily online Rosary at 8.00 pm. Bishop Toal will say the Rosary in his Oratory between 7.00 pm and 8.00 pm on 31 October.

Traidcraft Goods for Sale: Anyone wishing to purchase Traidcraft goods should do so either through their shop, traidcraftshop.co.uk, or through Pip herself. To get your catalogue please phone Traidcraft on 0191 491 0855 or Pip on 01355 222430.

Mass Booking System: Parishioners who do not have internet access and wish to book a Mass should call or text 07999 551680.

Call to Prayer For the 31st consecutive week, 14 Christian Churches and Organisations invite you to join in the Weekly Ecumenical Call to Prayer at 7.00 pm on Sunday 18 October. The prayer can be accessed by using the link below. https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2020/Join-Scottish-churches-in-prayer-this-Sunday-evening

Liturgical Guidelines for Holy Masses in St Bride’s East Kilbride: These guidelines may be reviewed at any time:
- Singing of Mass parts and hymns are not allowed.
- Organ music will be played by our organist only as a background.
- We will have one reader at lectern at each Mass.
- The sermon will be brief.
- In place of the words “Body of Christ” for each communicant, before the Celebrant receives Holy Communion, the Celebrant will say the words May the Body and Blood of Christ keep us all safe to eternal life, to which the congregation responds Amen.
- Holy Communion will be received in the hand.
- The Communicant should extend his/her hands to receive the host and then step two paces to the side to place the host on the tongue.
- Holy Communion is distributed after the final blessing. Parishioners will be directed to leave the Church immediately after receiving Holy Communion.
- Mass leaflets and printed copies of the bulletin are not available during the pandemic.
- Only our cantor can sing at mass (behind the screen).

Act of Spiritual Communion
My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament, I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

SSVP: During the pandemic you may wish to make any donations to St Bride’s SSVP via bank transfer. Details: Bank: Clydesdale Bank, E.K. Town Centre; Account Name: SSVP MW 05015; Account Number: 20538417; Sort Code: 82 62 24.

P5 pupils will receive the First Holy Communion on four Saturdays in November at a special Mass at 11am (or 1.00 pm). We had to divide them into 5 groups to comply with the restriction of maximum 50 people in the church.