11.30am Sunday Café: The necessary training on Food and Hygiene for all our volunteers will be held in the Parish Hall on Sunday 22 March at 12:30pm. It will last about 2 hours.

**St Patrick's Missionary Society** have written to thank St. Bride's parishioners for their kind donations of used stamps. They are very grateful for them and use them to fund their Missionary work. Please see the latest Thank You letter on the noticeboard and continue to save your used stamps.

**Apparition Hill** - a film about Medjugorje on 14 March - details on apparition-hill.eventbrite.co.uk

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

The Diocesan Office has advised parishes that with the introduction of new Data Protection laws on 25 May 2018 it is no longer permissible to publish the names of the sick on the online version of parish bulletins. It is still permissible to do so on the print version.

Anniversaries: Denis Hannigan, James Stewart (Aberdeen), Eddie Callaghan, Patricia Burns, Neil McIntyre, Bobby Hughes, Frank Lynch, Annie Flaherty, Thomas Flaherty, Desmond Dickson, Mary McNamara.

**Recently Dead**: Sheila Torrance, Anne O'Hanlon, Mary O'Neill, Brian Foy, Roseanne Duffy, Iain McCormack (Donegal), Sheila Bailey (New York), Brian Foy (Bathgate).

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



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# 8 March 2020 Second Sunday of Lent – Year A



#### Masses

Tuesday and Thursday at 7.00am Monday - Saturday 10am Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass Sunday 9.30am, 11.30am and 6.00pm

## Stations of the Cross followed by Holy Hour Thursday evenings 7pm to 8pm

Confessions
After Saturday morning Mass,
Vigil Mass, Holy Hour and on
request

Feast Day: Tuesday 9 March: St John Ogilvie.

This week we invite you for the *Stations of the Cross* on Friday morning at 9.30am before 10.00am Mass.

*Free SCIAF Stations of the Cross for Lent 2020* written by Fr Stephen Reilly are available at the back of the church.

**During Lent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** will be take place on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9.00am to 9.55am to give Parishioners time for personal prayers.

Lenten Mass will take place in St Kenneth's School this Friday at 2.00pm.

Please note that there will be no Holy Hour and Stations of the Cross this Thursday.

Lenten Talks will be held together with the Old Parish Church, the West Kirk and the United Reform Church in our Church Hall on Friday 6, 13, 20, 27 March, and 3 April from 12.30 till 1.30pm.

Mass will be said in *Kingsgate Care Home* this Thursday at 2.00pm.

The Annual Public Rosary in Honour of St John Ogilvie will take place at Glasgow Tolbooth, the site of the martyrdom of St John Ogilvie, this Sunday 8 March at 3.00pm.

**Collections:** The collection on *1 March* raised £1,623.31 of which £515.50 was gift-aided. The second collection for the Building Fund raised £456.68. This Sunday a special collection will be taken up for Sick and Retired Priests.

*Club 200:* This week's £60 winner is *Catherine Boyle*. Please collect your cheque from the Sacristy.

**Newman Association:** "The Flawed Small Print in the Catholic Christening Contract". A talk by Professor Mary McAleese, Professor of Children, Law and Religion, University of Glasgow, and past President of Eire, in <u>St Aloysius' College</u>, 45 Hill Street, Glasgow, G3 6RJ at <u>6.30pm</u> on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020. All welcome. Non-members: donation £3 - includes refreshments

The Coffee Morning is on this Thursday in the Hall after Mass.

*Coronavirus*: We pray for those already suffering because of this virus and that we may be protected from all harm. We advise that the following precautions are introduced across the Diocese of Motherwell:

- The Holy Water stoops will be emptied. We can still bless ourselves as we enter the Church but without using Holy Water.
- The Sign of Peace (shaking hands) will be suspended for the time being.
- Holy Communion will be given in the hand rather than on the tongue.
- The Lay Faithful will not receive the Precious Blood while the present crisis lasts.

The full letter of Bishop Toal is available online.

**Lenten Bible Study** based on Ignatian spirituality will be held in our Parish Hall on Sundays at 7pm during the period of Lent. Free books 'Journey into Freedom', a retreat based on the spiritual exercises of Saint Ignatius Loyola, are available at the back of the church. Please, take a copy.

Sunday Cafe will be on after 9.30 Mass on Sunday.

*Wee Box Appeal:* You can learn more about this year's Wee Box Big Change Appeal through a series of videos available at <a href="www.sciaf.org.uk/resources">www.sciaf.org.uk/resources</a> or www.youtube.com/SCIAFTV.

**Deacon Michael and Mary Ross** can't walk the Via Francigena in Italy in March 2020 to raise funds for the Scots College in Rome, because of the situation with coronavirus. However, all the money already raised will be donated to the college. Anyone wishing to make a donation can go to 'JustGiving'cvfgd on the internet and searching for Mary Ross or give their donation to either Fr Rafal or Deacon Michael.

**Baptism Congratulations to** Tichaona and Emma Chamunorwa whose daughters Sophia and Gabriella, will be baptised in our Church this Sunday at 1.00pm.

*The Sacrament of Reconciliation* for the pupils of St Hilary Primary School will take place in our Church this Thursday at 7.00pm.

*Children's Liturgy* continues this Sunday **8 March** in the Parish Centre at 9:30am. We will be continuing our 4 week programme of sacramental preparation for First Communion.

**St Bride's Ladies Phoenix Club** meet this Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30pm. Our speaker will be Jim Carruthers, talking about Robert Burns and the Masons. We will also have a raffle. Everyone welcome, tea/coffee £2.