Club 200: This week's £60 winner is *Tom Hendry*. Please contact Fr Rafal to collect your cheque.

Club 200 Subscriptions: All members of Club 200 who pay 6 monthly by cash or cheque, should note that the subscription of £30 fell due on 1 April. The easiest means of paying in the time of Coronavirus is by cheque, made payable to St Bride's Club 200.

Collections During the lockdown: 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 1 March and 5 April the collections/donations handed to church and Chapel House amounted £2,989.93 of which £2,560.00 was gift aided. Thank you.

Fund Raising Walk for Kilbryde Hospice: On Saturday 24 April Margaret Mary Cowan is walking 20 miles on the virtual Kiltwalk for Kilbryde Hospice. Margaret Mary is appealing to the Parishioners of St Brides to sponsor her to raise funds. For every £1 she raises, Sir Tom Hunter will add 50p. It's a fabulous fundraising venture for a worthy cause. Anyone wishing to sponsor Margaret Mary can do so through the following link:

 $\frac{https://virtual.thekiltwalk.co.uk/fundraising/ScotlandsVirtualKiltwalk2021-MargaretCowan$

The Scottish Government has now published its draft guidance on COVID Physical Distance Based Capacity (PDBC). This follows the decision to remove the cap on numbers attending our churches from 26th April. New arrangements for Mass bookings and our church capacity will be given asap.

Anniversaries: Jack Pennie, Peter McLaughlin, Gerry McCorry, Irene Jones, Cassie McGee, Nan Wright, Liz Gallagher.

Recently Dead: Mary Anne Kerrigan, Joan McLaughlin, Anne Morgan, Tom Gillespie, Peter Irvine, Mary Todd, Mark Morgan, Mary McGhee, Gloria Gomez, James Bannon.

Funeral arrangements for RIP Mary McNish:

Requiem Mass on Saturday 24 April at 11am followed by cremation in South Lanarkshire Crematorium

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 April 2021 Third Sunday of Easter



Masses Monday - Saturday 10.00 am Saturday 6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Saturday 6.00 pm Vigil Mass Sunday 9.30 am, 11.30 am and 6.00 pm. *Holy Hour:* Thursday evening 7.00 – 8.00 pm

Confessions - On request

Booking Masses: Every Wednesday from 11.00 am Parishioners with internet access can book Sunday Masses directly through Eventbrite. This can be done by either going onto the Parish website or the Parish Facebook page. Should anyone need any help doing so, please do not hesitate to telephone 07999 551680. **Children 4 years of age and under should not be counted when making Mass bookings.**

Funerals remain at a maximum of 20 attending, *weddings* at a maximum of 5 attending. *Baptisms* are allowed only within the celebration of Mass. All updates will be posted on the Parish Facebook and Twitter pages. We accept food donations and carry out food distribution.

Ecumenical Call to Pray For the 58th consecutive week, 15 Christian Churches and Organisations invite you to join in the Weekly Ecumenical Call to Prayer at 7.00 pm on Sunday 18 April 2021. See link below.

https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2021/articles/kirk-joins-in-prayer-this-sunday

From **26 April** indoor hospitality will resume, thereby allowing places of worship to offer food and drink to worshippers, provided they do so in line with the guidance for hospitality businesses. Some of these guidelines include table service only, tables limited to the number of people allowed to gather indoors, and face coverings to be worn except when seated.

Congregating Outside Church after Masses: This is a reminder that anyone wishing to congregate outside the Church after Mass should do so further away from the doors to allow Parishioners to leave the Church. Please also observe the social distancing rules.

Gift Aid: A reminder that envelopes for the tax year 2021-2022 can be collected from the church. New members of the gift aid system are welcome. You only have to be a tax payer.

Food Parcels: If you know any Parishioners or families within our Parish or East Kilbride community who is in need and would benefit from food donations, or if you want to volunteer distributing the parcels, please let Fr Rafal know.

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.

Scripture & Spirituality Conference, 10 - 11 July 2021: This year's conference focuses on St. John of the Cross and his life changing teachings of how love can transform each and every one of us. For further information please email: www.carmelite.uk.net/ssc or Ruth Preston at ruth.preston@carmelit.org.uk or 07849 596 572. Further details can also be found on the Parish Facebook and Twitter pages.

ISC Geneva invites you to join them by zoom in their Pentecost Retreat every Sunday at 2pm for the next five weeks. The theme this year is to explore the mountains and valleys of the Holy Land and so encounter Jesus in a deeper and meaningful way. This program is offered by <u>Tantur Ecumenical Institute</u> in Jerusalem and the <u>Ignatian Spirituality Community</u> in Geneva. To get the zoom details, complete this <u>registration form</u> or call 07999 551680. Parishioners who took part in the Lenten Retreat gave exceptionally good feedback.

Year of St Joseph: At the end of the morning Mass on Mondays we will be saying the following prayer to St Joseph during the whole year of St Joseph.

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.

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.

Thank you to Dorothy Clifford and Helen Speirs for arranging flowers in our church especially for the Easter celebrations.

St Kenneth's Primary: P3 children will receive the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time in our church this Thursday between 5-7pm.