

Club 200: This week's £60 winner is **Laura Muirhead**. Please collect your cheque from Fr Rafal. The current loan stands at £235,452.82.

Collection: Offerings can be made by bank transfer, the details of which are as follows: St Brides, Sort Code: 82-62-24, Account Number: 40500017. There are baskets for the Sunday collection near the exit door. During the period 11 and 24 July all cash collections and donations amounted to £1,910.72, of which £895.00 was gift aided.

SSVP: Donations can be made to St Bride's SSVP by bank transfer. Details: Bank: Clydesdale Bank; Account Name: SSVP MW 05015; Account Number: 20538417; Sort Code: 82 62 24.

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.

Recently Dead: Caroline Hancock, Eric Murphy (Our Lady of Lourdes), Rosemary Scanlon, Luke McShane, Ann McClure, Gareth Friel (Donegal), Michael Bain.

First Anniversary: Ewan Meldrum.

Anniversaries: Patricia Burns, Loretta Boyd, Francis McGuckien, Ella McGuckien, Mrs Mary Keaveny, Mary McGhee, John Spiers (Glasgow), John McKechnie, Tony and Caroline Conway.

Funeral arrangements:

1. **RIP: Christina Mournian** – Requiem Mass on Friday 12 August at 10.00 am in St Bride's Church followed by burial in East Kilbride Old Cemetery.
2. **RIP Mary McGhee** - Vigil reception on Sunday 21 August at 6.00 pm; Requiem Mass on Monday 22 August at 10am followed by service 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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***7 August 2022
19th Sunday of the Year - C***



Masses

*Monday to Saturday 10.00 am
Saturday 6.00 pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 9.30 am & 11.30 am*

Holy Hour

*Thursday evening 7.00 to 8.00 pm
Confessions – After the vigil Mass,
during the Holy Hour, on request*

Feast Days: Monday 8 August: *St Dominic*; Tuesday 9 August: *St Theresa Benedicta of the Cross*; Wednesday 10 August: *St Lawrence*; Thursday 11 August: *St Clare*.

Next Sunday is the ***Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary***.

There will be a ***Eucharistic Service*** in our church this Saturday at 10.00 am.

National Pilgrimage to Carfin – Sunday 25th September 2022: A copy of Bishop Toal's letter can be seen at the back of the Church, on the Parish FB page, and website.

- (1) ***A meeting for all existing and new parish readers at mass*** will take place on ***Thursday 25 August at 6.00 pm*** in the church. We will update the reading rotas and parish readers' lists.
- (2) ***A meeting for all existing and new eucharistic ministers will take place on Sunday 21 August at 2.00 pm*** in the church. We will update the list of the parish eucharistic ministers. The existing eucharistic ministers are kindly asked to bring a note with information about the people they visit and the frequency of these visits, please.
- (3) ***There will be an open parish meeting on Sunday 21 August at 3.00 pm*** in St Bride's Parish East Kilbride, during which we will present the most important parish matters. The last open parish meeting was held before the pandemic. Our parishioners will be given the fabric/finance update. There will be an opportunity for discussion. We will decide if we want to move the organ and install the additional projectors in the church.
- (4) ***Poland 2020:*** On Sunday 21 August at 5.00 pm we will have a meeting of our group in St Bride's. During our meeting we will rearrange the trip to Poland as our flight tickets' money has been sent back now. Those who will decide to cancel their participation in a new trip, will be given the refund during the meeting.

Bulletin Notices: Anyone wishing to put a notice into the bulletin, should send it to bulletin@sbek.org, or contact Fr Rafal.

St Bride's Third World Group: The most recent statement of accounts for 2019/20 is on the noticeboard. ***Dates For Your Diary:*** Sunday 4 September - Sponsored Cycle Run at Millport, and Saturday 1 October - Quiz Night.

We appeal for more parish families to have a great day out at Millport. The special bus there and back includes the ferry fare. Maximum price for any family £30. Bike hire is not included, but great value, and can accommodate children from 1 year and upward. Anyone wishing to go should put their name on the list at the back of the Church or call Moira on 01355 236946 to register their names. This will help determine the size of bus we need to hire.

The annual pilgrimage to Whithorn is due to take place on Sunday 28 August: The bus will come from Moodiesburn and should be at the bus stop below Saint Bride's Church about 10.15 or so. The cost is £20. More will be needed to pay for fish and chips in Girvan on the way home. Good outdoor footwear and clothing are advisable. The bus usually gets back before 10.00 pm. Further inquiries can be made by phoning Fr Michael at Moodiesburn on 01236 872537.

Ukrainian Appeal: As our Parishioners are aware, Father Rafal has been instrumental and pivotal in advancing the needs of the Ukrainian people; not only within East Kilbride, but also in the wider Scottish Community. The family of St Bride's Parish, together with others from nearby communities, have continued to support Father Rafal's efforts to support the people of Ukraine. It has however become necessary to conclude this chapter of the Ukraine appeal as Father Rafal will go on his sabbatical 1 September 2022. Until then we will continue to receive donations which can be brought to the Church Hall each Friday from 12 August 2022 until Friday 26 August 2022 between the hours of 11.00 am and 4.00 pm. St Bride's Ukraine Support Team will pack the donations, and Father Rafal will arrange them to be transported to Poland at the end of August, similarly to previous lorries of humanitarian aid.

A new priest will be appointed to the parish, and it will be up to him to decide if he wants to continue the Ukraine appeal or not. All the storage facilities, volunteers, contacts and everything is ready for the appeal to be easily continued as long as there is need for it. That should not require a big effort or input from the new priest as all our volunteers/parishioners are well trained by now.

Historically, ***the church organ*** was located at the back of the church. We are planning to move the organ from the Sanctuary to the back of the church to improve the singing in our church, and hopefully to build up our music and choirs. If you have any objections, please speak to Fr Rafal.

Dialogue to a meeting in St Anthony's Church Hall on Saturday 20 of August at 11.00 am. This will be an opening meeting for a possible Diocesan group, who would organise and lead dialogue with any other faith groups who are currently based within the boundary of our Diocese. If you are interested in participating, please contact Fr Coyle on frcoyle@rcdom.org.uk

St Vincent's Church are now having a Mass at 6.30 pm. every Wednesday evening after evening prayer at 6.00 pm. They no longer have a morning Mass at 09.30 am on Wednesday.

With Fr Rafal going off his sabbatical on 1 September, a special collection will be taken up for him at Sunday masses on 13/14 August and 20/21 August.