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Newsletter

Third Sunday of Easter

April 18th 2021

My dear parishioners at St. Mary's and St. Paul's,

I hope this finds you enjoying this beautiful Eastertide; these are the days the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad, Alleluia, Alleluia! We are approaching First Holy Communion celebrations at St. Mary's and St. Paul's. This will involve some changes to our usual programme on particular days. Next weekend the Sunday morning Mass at St. Paul's will be First Holy Communion Day for some of the pupils at St. Paul's Primary. I thank you in anticipation for your co-operation as we seek to hand on the great gift of the Eucharist to some of the young people who belong to our parish community.

I offer here the schedule for the days ahead:

Saturday April 17th: Vigil at St. Paul's at 4pm and at St. Mary's at 5.30pm Sunday April 18th: Mass at St. Paul's at 9.15am and at St. Mary's at 10.30am

Monday April 19th: Mass at St. Mary's at 10am Tuesday April 20th: **Requiem Mass for Mr. Hugh Morgan** Wednesday April 21st: **Requiem Mass for Mrs. Sarah McGilvray** Thursday April 22nd: Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

Saturday 24th April: Vigil Mass at St. Paul's at 4pm and St. Mary's at 5.30pm Sunday 25th April: First Holy Communion at St. Paul's at 10.30am (no 9.15am Mass) Sunday 25th April: Mass at St. Mary's at 10.30am

Monday 26th April: Mass at St. Mary's at 10am Tuesday 27th April: Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

The Diocese of Motherwell has recommended that we have a booking system (**Eventbrite**) for places at the liturgy; this is for safety reasons and also to ensure that people are not disappointed if they arrive at church and discover they cannot gain access. For each service the parish must retain the details of all those attending so that contact tracing can be carried out if necessary. **Please consult the parish website, stmarysandstpaulshamilton.org to book a place through Eventbrite or phone the church house.**

Sacramental Celebrations at St. Mary's and St. Paul's: please note the following dates for sacramental celebrations with pupils from St. Mary's and St. Paul's Primary Schools:

St. Mary's First Holy Communions:

Saturday, May 8th at 10am and 12 noon Sunday May 9th at 10am and 12 noon Saturday May 15th at 10am and 12 noon

St. Mary's Confirmations:

Monday 7th June at 6pm Tuesday 8th June at 6pm Wednesday, 9th June at 6pm Monday 14th June at 6pm Tuesday 15th June at 6pm Wednesday 16th June at 6pm

St. Paul's First Communions:

Saturday April 24th at 11am Sunday April 25th at 10.30am

St. Paul's Confirmations:

Sunday 23rd May at 11am

Please remember in your prayers:

All who are sick in the parish and all who have asked us to pray for them

Recently Deceased: Hugh Morgan, Sarah McGilvray, Jean Steel, John Dunsmore, Mrs. Camilo (Holy Cross High School), Patricia Richardson,

Special Remembrance: Ashleigh Boyle, John McCarthy, Edward and Alice McAvinchey, John and Mary Dalton, Mary Harvey, James Tyrrell, Philip Muldoon, Esther Reid, Tommy Daly, Robert Daley, Brenda Reilly, and all our deceased relatives and friends and the benefactors of St. Mary's and St. Paul's, *requiescant in pace*.