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Newsletter Twenty-Ninth Sunday of the Year October 20th 2019

Church Services

Sunday Mass at St. Mary's: Saturday Vigil, 5.30pm

10am, 11.30am

Sunday Mass at St. Paul's: Saturday Vigil, 4.pm

10.30am

Weekday Mass: St. Mary's, Monday and Wednesday at 10am

St. Paul's, Tuesday and Friday at 10am

Rosary prayed each weekday after the Morning Mass.

Confession: St. Mary's, Monday Morning after Mass and Saturday at 5.10 pm

St. Paul's, Tuesday Morning after Mass and Saturday at 3.40pm.

Monday 7pm: Novena at St. Mary's in honour of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's in the side chapel Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from after Mass until 2pm, and at St. Paul's on a Tuesday from after Mass until 2pm

This is a sacred space for those who would like to pray in silence before the Blessed Sacrament

World Mission Sunday 2019: this special day in the life of the Catholic Church offers each one of us the opportunity to support our missionaries and the proclamation of the Good News of the Gospel throughout the world, particularly where the church is young or poor. Mission Sunday reminds us that we are brothers and sisters in Christ and that we have a shared responsibility for our common welfare.

In these recent days pupils from Holy Cross and St. John Ogilvie High Schools have travelled to Uganda with Missio Scotland to witness the love and dedication provided by our priests and religious and also to see first-hand some of the life-enhancing projects that have been made possible with the support of the Pontifical Mission Societies. Our donations and prayers make a vital difference to the church's work in mission countries and territories. We welcome back our three young parishioners who represented Holy Cross High School on the visit to Uganda: Jack McPake, Emma Boyle and Genevieve Linden.

Please give generously in today's second collection which will be donated to Missio Scotland

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral, Coursington Road, Motherwell, ML1 1PP is holding an Enquiry Evening for those who are interested in becoming members of the Catholic Church on Thursday 24th October at 7.30pm (after evening Mass). The meeting will take place in the Cathedral Meeting Room (entrance on the right hand side of the Cathedral). All will be made welcome. *Please bring this notice to the attention of anyone you know who may be thinking about joining the Catholic Church*.

St. Mary's Primary School Parent Council invite you to a Bingo Night: come along to the school on Thursday 24th October at 7pm; entry £7, which includes bingo games and tea/coffee and cake, raffle, tombola and more. All are welcome. Please come along and help raise some funds for our school. Thank you.

- **Credo, St. Mary's and St. Paul's Faith Sharing Group** meets this Tuesday, October 22nd in the parish meeting room at 1 o'clock. The group meets to reflect and share on some aspect of the Catholic Faith and then enjoy some tea and cake together. *New members always welcome*.
- **St. Mary's and St. Paul's Walking Group** meets on Tuesday mornings at 11am and walks for around one hour, starting from the Museum and returning there to have some tea and coffee. The walking group proves to be popular and new members are always welcome.
- **St. Margaret's Children and Family Care Society Adoption Week Scotland: 16-23 November:** As *Adoption Week Scotland* approaches, we are looking to recruit suitable adopters throughout Scotland who can provide a safe, loving and caring home for children seeking adoption and we will be hosting an information evening and open day for anyone who wishes to find out more.
- **St. Margaret's is one of Scotland's leading professional adoption agencies,** recruiting adopters and offering excellent lifelong training and support to our forever families. Please join us at our Glasgow City Centre based office, 26 Newton Place, Glasgow, G3 7PY for the following events:

Monday 18 Nov: "Our Journey to Adoption" – come along for an informal session where our adopters will share their story of what brought them to adoption, 6.30 pm - 7.30 p.

Wednesday 20 Nov: Open Day – we will be hosting 3 sessions where our experienced staff, ambassadors and some adopted teens will be on hand to have a chat and answer questions: Session 1: 10am – 12pm; Session 2: 2pm – 5pm; Session 3: 6pm -8pm

To register your interest please: visit Eventbrite and search for St. Margaret's; call us on 0141 332 8371; email info@stmaragretsadoption.org.uk

Motherwell Diocese, Marriage Preparation Courses:

Couples preparing for marriage within the Catholic Church are required to undertake a period of marriage preparation; the courses for 2020 are as follows: 18th January, 22nd Feb, 21st March, 25th April, 19th September, 24th October; courses take place on Saturdays from 9.30am-4.30pm in St. Augustine's Parish Coatbridge at a cost of £50 per couple. This includes a hot lunch, refreshments and all materials. To book your course please go to our new website: www.marriagefamilylife.org. Please ensure you speak to Fr. O'Brien before completing online registration

ALMA Youth Group will accompany the Motherwell Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 2nd-13th July 2020; the pilgrimage invites young people aged between 17 – 30 years to accompany the pilgrims to assist in various ways; the cost will be around £750 (good fundraising takes place to help with this); travel by coach, with overnight stop in Bruges and on the ferry on the return trip; for more information please contact Fr. Martin Delaney on frdelaney@rcdom.org.uk

Please pray for our parishioners who are ill at home or in hospital.

Please pray for those who have died recently: Jean Guy, Alice White, Patricia Armour, Fr. Willie Mone, Catherine Daley, Paul Wallace, Mary Russell, Cathy McGuire, Noreen Anderson, Bernard Chrystal, Stuart Cooper, Canon John Healy, Christopher King (Australia), Hugh Paul (Ireland), Rotront Buschauer, John Cook,

Special Remembrance: Eddie Power, Sandy Kennedy, James McCormick, Kathleen and Alex Lind, Mary and Thomas Linden, Robert Daley, Jan and Mary Kozak, George Cree, Mary Toner, Hugh Connor, Jim and Mary Neary, Brian Bonar, Mary Casserly, May Kinnie, John and Mary McCaig, Margaret Phairs, John O'Neil, Hugh Carr, Mark Hughes and John Kane, Vera Cain, George Archibald, and all our deceased relatives and friends and benefactors of St. Mary's and St. Paul's.