



# SAINT CHARLES' PARISH

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**Parish Priest:** Canon James Duggan    **Permanent Deacon:** Deacon Brian Mackenzie  
**Priest in Residence:** Mgr. James Canon Cunningham (retired)

## Liturgical Services

**Mass times:** Saturday Vigil - 5:00pm  
Sunday - 10.30am, 12.00noon & 5.30pm  
Weekdays - 10.00am  
**Confession:** Thursday - 9:30-9:50am  
Saturday - 9:30-9:50am, 4:30-5:00pm & after 5pm Mass  
**Rosary:** Weekdays - 9.35am  
**Exposition:** Thursday - 10.30-11.30am

## Legacies

When making a will, have you thought of leaving a legacy to the parish or diocese?

## Gift Aid

If you pay tax, fill in a Gift Aid form and we get an extra 25% on top of your donation.

## Pentecost Sunday - Year B

### INTRODUCTION

The Christian life is a response to the invitation into the life of God – who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The same Christ who appeared to the disciples in the Upper Room is with us in the Mass today, offering us life with him today and for eternity. Let us respond to his invitation.

### SAFEGUARDING

A Pastoral Letter is available from Bishop Toal, the Bishop responsible for Safeguarding on behalf of the Bishops of Scotland. The new Safeguarding document 'In God's Image' and other materials come into force on Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018, and Bishop Toal writes to inform us about the document and the work that has been done to implement the recommendations of the McLellan Commission that reported in August 2015. Please take a copy home with you to read.

### FAMILY MASS

Our Family Mass takes place this weekend at 10.30am and the children of P5 will lead the Liturgy. There will be a cup of tea in the hall afterwards and all are welcome to come through.

### PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK

The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) will apply from 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018, and the new law brings a 21st century approach to data protection. It expands the rights of individuals to control how their personal data is collected and processed, and places a range of new obligations on organisations to be more accountable for data protection. Because of this, please be aware that we now have to have direct permission (in writing) from anyone who is sick if we are to announce their names at Mass on Sundays.

### VOCATIONS NEWS

Congratulations to Ryan Black who received Candidacy for Holy Orders at the Scots College, Rome on Thursday evening. Candidacy is a very important milestone in the journey towards priestly ordination. In addition to Ryan, we also currently have another student in Rome. We also have two students currently going through the Propaedeutic period at the Scots College in Salamanca. Please keep them in all your prayers.

### BISHOP ROBERT BARRON

If you put your name down on the list to attend Bishop Robert Barron's event in Edinburgh on 6th September, Fr Jim has obtained the tickets and will retain them in the meantime. You will be notified nearer the time as to when payment is due.

### MAY DEVOTIONS / MONTH OF MAY

Deacon Brian will lead May Devotions at 7pm each Monday evening in May. The Church continues to encourage devotion to Our Blessed Mother - please think about coming along. This month highlights the presence of Our Lady in the Church. Please use this month to say the Rosary together – "the family that prays together, stays together". Rosary beads are available at the stall in the porch.

### PARISH COUNCIL GROUP MEETINGS

The next meetings of the following groups take place in the Chapel House this coming week as follows:

**Fabric & Finance** - Tuesday, 22nd May at 7.00pm

**Young People** - Tuesday, 22nd May at 7.00pm

### COLLECTION

Many thanks for last week's collection which amounted to £2,262 and £1,005 for World Communications Day. Next weekend the second collection is for Pro-Life.

### PARISH FETE

It is nearly time for our Parish Fete on Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June from 12 noon until 3.00pm. We still require donations of bottles for the bottle stall, bric-a-brac, toys, books, DVDs, toiletries, etc. There will be boxes in the porch and items can also be handed in to the Chapel House. We would be grateful for donations of home baking either the day before, or on the morning of the fete. The hall will be open all day on Friday after the 10am Mass. Please do NOT hand in any food or electrical goods. Raffle Tickets will be on sale after all the Masses for the next couple of weeks - please take some to sell to your family and friends!

### MASS FOR THE SICK

The Spirituality Group would like to invite you all to our annual Mass for the Sick on Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> June at 10.00am in St Charles'. Anointing of the sick will take place during the Mass and it would be very helpful if we could work together in encouraging as many people as possible to attend. If you can assist anyone, by bringing them along on the day, that would be ideal. Everyone is welcome to attend and even if you have friends or family who are unable to be there, please remember that you can still come along and pray for them. There will be tea and coffee in the hall after the Mass.

### CHRIST THE KING FATIMA VIGIL

The next vigil will take place on Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> June. We would like to run a bus from the parish to Howwood but will only be able to do so if there are enough numbers, so if you are interested in coming along, please place your name on the list in the porch as soon as possible.

### HOAX CALLS

Recently in another part of our Diocese someone knocked on a couple's door purporting to be from the Society of St Vincent de Paul and tried to get them to sign up for a lottery. The Society does not collect money in this way and you should not give bank details to anyone who approaches in that way.

### PROPOSED PARISH TRIP TO KRAKOW

We would like to run a parish trip to Krakow next year, leaving on Friday, 26th April. There is a choice of a 5-day trip, half-board, maximum cost £685, or a 7-day trip, half-board, maximum cost £813. If you are interested, please add your name and your preference to the sheet in the porch. Please note priority will be given to parishioners.

### PRAYERS FOR IRISH REFERENDUM

This Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> May, Ireland holds its Referendum in the Eighth Amendment to its Constitution. It is a Yes/No vote as to whether abortion will be legalised in Ireland. Please pray that Ireland votes No to abortion and that their unborn children continue to be safe in their mothers' wombs

### YOUTH TO LOURDES 2018

Our next group meeting is on Sunday, 27th May at St. Mirin's Chaplaincy Centre beginning at 2pm. Please bear in mind that all monies should be paid before or at this meeting.

### CHURCH LIGHTING

Work should begin later in the week to upgrade the internal lighting in the Church