

# SAINT CHARLES' PARISH

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**Sign of Peace:** If you are comfortable to do so, please make a simple gesture towards those around you. At this time, it would not include shaking hands with people from outside your own household.

**Mass times:** Saturday Vigil - 5:00pm  
Sunday - 10.00am, 12.00noon & 5.30pm

Weekdays (Mon-Wed, Fri, Sat) - 10.00am  
(Thur) - 7pm

**Rosary:** Weekdays - 9.30am (unless Funeral)  
**Exposition:** Weekdays - 9.30am (unless Funeral)  
Thursday - 6.20pm

**Fatima Devotion** First Saturday after Morning Mass

**Confession:** Thursday - 6.20-6.50pm  
Saturday - 9:20-9:50am, 4:20-4.50pm



## Parish Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council groups meet in the hall **this coming Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> October** after the 7.00pm Mass. Please pray for them as they work towards our parish vision: that every person has a life-changing encounter with Jesus and hears the call to their unique part in His Divine work.

## Second Collection

This weekend's second collection will be for the Building Fund.

## Mass of Welcome

**This Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October, at 12pm Mass** we welcome those who have been baptised in the parish over the past couple of years. In addition, the P4 pupils in St Charles' PS who are now preparing for Confession and First Communion will be invited too. After Mass there will be refreshments in the hall. Due to the pandemic we have missed so many opportunities to come together and this will be a chance to celebrate with new members of the church and their families. Invitations are being issued, however, if your letter doesn't arrive, please come along anyway as we'd be delighted to see you!

## Volunteers and Safeguarding

In St Charles' Parish, we are in the process of refreshing and updating our safeguarding procedures in line with local and national guidance. As a result, we ask that all existing adult volunteers complete a simple form and return it to the church as quickly as possible. The forms and explanatory letters will be available in the porch for the next few weeks, so please take one if you are currently a volunteer e.g. Eucharistic Minister, Reader, Cleaner, Welcomer etc (if

involved in more than one group, just one form is all that's needed).



## St Charles' 200 Club

This weekend is the final call for anyone who still has to renew their membership. The list of winners for the September draw will be made in the coming week.

If you have not already done so, please consider joining the 200 Club if you can. Membership costs £5.00 per month and it is a really good way to give some extra support to the parish funds. Please pop in to the hall after Mass and there will be someone available to help.

## Parish Pilgrimage to Rome/Assisi

As you know, we are hoping to have a Parish Pilgrimage to Rome/Assisi from 4-11<sup>th</sup> September 2023, flying from Glasgow and organised through Alba Tours.

**At the moment, we still need a few more names to make the trip viable.**

If you are interested then details (including cost) are available on a separate sheet in the porch. To provisionally secure a place then please give name, contact number and email to Fr. Jim.

Please note there are no single rooms available now.

## Pope Francis Faith Awards

Please pray for the young people of Primary 6 who will be making a Commitment to the Pope Francis Faith Awards at their stage Mass in the primary school on Tuesday.

### **First Fridays for Life**

*Will you fast and pray every First Friday for Life?* Bishop John invites you to fast and pray on the First Friday of each month to protect the unborn child and the flourishing of the Pro-Life movement so that our society will build an authentic culture of life. Join your priests throughout the diocese over the next 9 months for a Novena of Masses on the First Fridays as we pray for life! The Inaugural First Fridays for Life Mass will be offered by Bishop John on **Friday, the 7<sup>th</sup> of October, at 7 PM in St Mirin's Cathedral.**

### **Think Vocation**

"The man who can be trusted in little things will be trusted in great." Christ calls those he trusts to take up his mission of teaching, guiding and supporting his people. Could that be you? Talk to our Diocesan Vocations Director Fr. John Morrison Tel: 0141 889 5056 or email [vocations@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:vocations@rcdop.org.uk)

### **World Youth Day 2023**

Lisbon Information Evening - Come along to this information evening at the Diocese of Paisley Offices (just opposite the Cathedral) at 7.00pm on Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> October to find out more about the pilgrimage! No commitment necessary. Come and hear more about our plans and what it's like to attend World Youth Day. Cost £799. Our provisional dates for travel 30<sup>th</sup> July – 8<sup>th</sup> August 2023. We welcome those who are 18 (as of 29<sup>th</sup> July 2023) through to 35 from across the Diocese. For more information please contact Fr. John Morrison e-mail: [vocations@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:vocations@rcdop.org.uk) or phone 0141 889 5056.

### **DR Open House Paisley**

Divine Renovation is a book by Fr. James Mallon, from Halifax, Nova Scotia, about his experience in trying to lead and serve a new parish community. That experience encouraged him to begin a ministry that help parish priests and their parishioners to find for themselves the best way to live out the mission of the Church in their own context. "DR" is not a programme but has many resources that can help a parish to see what is the next right step for the life of the parish.

In October, we are hosting an event by Divine Renovation UK called an "Open House", which is intended to let priests and people from parishes throughout Scotland see how DR could benefit them.

On the day, Fr. Philip Connor, a priest from Lancaster, is the keynote speaker. Fr Jim is leading a workshop on developing a vision within a parish. Fr David Boyd, from Erskine, is leading a workshop on the three "keys" or principles at the foundation of DR. There is also a workshop on Alpha.

If you are interested then please register through Divine Renovation UK. The DR Open House is happening on **Saturday, 29th October** with registration at 9.30am and finishing around 4.30pm, lunch included. here at St. Charles. [www.divinerenovation.org/openhouse](http://www.divinerenovation.org/openhouse).

### **9<sup>th</sup> National Divine Mercy Conference**

It is great to announce that we will now have our Divine Mercy conference live in St Augustine's Church in Coatbridge on **Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> October** from 9.00am– 6 p.m. For further details and how to register please go to: [www.divinemeracy.scot/conference2022](http://www.divinemeracy.scot/conference2022)

### **Public Lecture – Catholic Teacher Education, Glasgow University**

John Sullivan, Emeritus Professor of Christian Education, Liverpool Hope University; explores the need for and the nature of credible communication of their faith by Christians in our current context. **Monday, 3rd October.** Refreshments at 4.15pm and the Seminar begins at 5pm. Lecture Theatre 214, St. Andrew's Building, University of Glasgow, 11 Eldon Street, G3 6NH. To register for this event please visit [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/public-lecture-and-book-launch-credible-christian-communication-today-tickets-415415267247](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/public-lecture-and-book-launch-credible-christian-communication-today-tickets-415415267247)

### **Pause for Hope:**

***an ecumenical service for all those affected by cancer to come together and pray***

Fr. John of St. Aidan's, Johnstone would like to welcome all those affected by cancer to a prayer service **next Sunday, 9th October** at 2.00pm. This service is to bring together those affected by all forms of cancer, their loved ones and carers; to help them to pray for themselves and each other, to remember dear ones lost to cancer, and to pray for those with responsibility for providing and allocating resources required in the investigation, treatment and care of patients with cancer. Members of all religious denominations and faiths are welcome as well as those with little or no religious faith. Tea and coffee will be available afterwards in the church hall - donations of home baking gratefully received.



**Men required to sort out the world's problems!**

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We meet in the hall after the 10 o'clock Mass every Tuesday for a cuppa and a blether. We are certain that the men of St Charles' have solutions to the world's problems, but if you just like a blether, come along anyway!

P. S. No joining fee or annual subs! 😊