

# 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

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2022



## Reflection Time for Primary School Pupils

The Diocese of Paisley will be holding a Reflection afternoon for Primary School Pupils in p4-p7 (inclusive) at St. James', Paisley on Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October from 2.00-6.00pm. The day will include activities, Mass and dinner. No pre-registration is necessary, but your child will be required to bring a completed consent form. Consent forms are available from our parish communities or can be obtained by emailing [vocations@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:vocations@rcdop.org.uk). If you require any further information please contact Fr. John Morrison – Tel: 0141 889 2602 or e-mail [vocations@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:vocations@rcdop.org.uk).

## Parish Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council groups meet in the hall **this coming Thursday, 20<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.

Pietystall



## Christmas cards are now available!

This weekend after the 10.00am and 12.00 noon Masses, the stall will be set up in the hall. Please pop in and see what we have on offer.

They will also be available at the Piety Stall, along with many other beautiful adult and children's rosaries, communion and confirmation gifts and cards. Mass and sympathy cards, special intentions, thinking of you, new home, baby, christening, birthday and wallet gift cards are also available, **all at very reasonable prices.**

## Second Collection

Next week's second collection is for the Missions. Copies of their magazine *We Are Mission* are available in the porch. Please take one home with you.



## We have great news!

The Children's Liturgy will be starting again on **Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> October**. If your children are of primary age, it would be great for them to come along and learn all about their faith in a safe and nurturing environment. Parents – please encourage your children to join

in at our 10.00am Mass with Debbie, Angela and all our other helpers so that they can experience the Word of God together. If you need any further information, please text Debbie on 07940 116340.

## Family Quiz Night at St Mirin's

The next Family Quiz Night will take place in the Cathedral Hall this coming **Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> October** from 7.00pm. Entry costs £2 per adult and £1 per child. Bring your own drinks and snacks. A maximum of 8 per team. Raffle prizes will be gratefully received.

## Glasgow Torchlight Procession to mark 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Abortion Act

Please join the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children in Glasgow on **Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> October** for the annual torchlight procession to commemorate 55 years – to the day – of the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act, which has led to the loss of nearly 10 million lives here in the UK. This is a solemn and prayerful event to pray for an end to abortion.

### Schedule:

**6:30 pm** – Rosary in George Square

**7:00 pm** – Begin procession to St. Andrew's Cathedral

**7:30 pm** – Mass in St. Andrew's Cathedral celebrated by Fr. Edward Toner

### **Pro-Life Mass**

The monthly Pro-Life Mass is on **Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> October** at 7.30pm at Holy Cross, 113 Dixon Ave, G42 8ER. Adoration begins at 6.15pm. Tea in the hall afterwards – all welcome. The celebrant will be newly ordained Fr Douglas Green

### **Lourdes 2023**

An information evening for anyone interested in the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes next year, from June 30th to July 7th 2023, will take place in St. Ninian's Church Hall, Gourrock on **Monday 24 October at 7 pm**. All welcome.

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

This will take place on **Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> October** at 9 a.m. finishing with 5 p.m. Mass at St Augustine's Church, 12 Dundyvan Road, Coatbridge, ML5 1DQ. Please book to attend the above conference at [www.divinemercy.scot](http://www.divinemercy.scot), free of charge. If you have no access to a computer please phone Helen Border at 07786 097147 to obtain a registration form. Theme of the Conference: *You are the salt of the earth; You are the light of the world. Your light must shine in the sight of men, so that seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in Heaven* Matt 5:13-14

### **Renfrewshire Interfaith Group**

You are invited to a prayer service at the Peace Garden in Barshaw Park on **Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> November**, meeting in the cafe at **2.45pm** and walking to the Garden at 3pm where people of different faiths will speak about Looking after the planet, from the perspective of their own tradition. Everyone is welcome to join us. We look forward to meeting you there.

### **DR Open House Paisley**

In October, we are hosting an event by Divine Renovation UK which is intended to let priests and people from parishes throughout Scotland see how DR helps to support parishes as they strive to respond to Pope Francis call to have mission at the heart of what we do.

If you are interested then please register through Divine Renovation UK. The DR Open House is happening on **Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> 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).

### **Quiz Night for Young Catholics**

20-40 Network organise social events for young Catholics to come to on their own or with friends and make friends. We are hosting a Halloween quiz on **Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> October at 8pm** in St. Mirin's Cathedral Hall.

Email [2040network@gmail.com](mailto:2040network@gmail.com) for tickets or to be added to our mailing list for future events if you can't make this one.



### **PSALM RESPONSE:**

**Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth.**

### **INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

Does God finally answer our persistent prayers to stop us from bothering Him? The thought that persistent prayer can be disturbing or upsetting to God does not ring true with the images of God as compassionate, understanding, merciful, and loving that our tradition conveys. Yet, Jesus tells his disciples to “pray always without becoming weary.” Maybe the type of prayer necessary to endure the trials of discipleship and the challenges and criticisms of Christian teaching goes beyond words. We need to tend to the realities of human life. The persistent prayer of which Jesus speaks is the prayer of the heart. This contemplative, silent, loving prayer gives us the vision to see God in all things, especially in each human soul. Desiring God alone and not only what we want God to do for us places this love relationship foremost in our minds, hearts, and souls. As we breathe in and exhale out, the Divine Life flows. This alone can provide the strength of endurance to confront anything contrary to the truth of faith.

### **QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK**

#### **First Reading:**

Moses had to depend upon his brother Aaron and his associate, Hur, to help defeat the Amalekites in battle. Who among your friends or family helps you to grow in your faith?

#### **Second Reading:**

Paul teaches Timothy that sacred Scripture is a tool for teaching, correction, and training. Do you have a favourite passage or story from Scripture?

#### **Gospel:**

Jesus uses the parable of the persistent widow to teach the disciples about the importance of diligence in prayer. What does prayer look like for you?