

# SAINT CHARLES' PARISH

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**First Collection:** the donation box for the first collection can be found at the holy water fonts as you enter the Church. Please leave your donation there. Like all of you, our bills are increasing greatly and so we appreciate every penny and pound you are able to give us, especially in these challenging times.

**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, 20<sup>th</sup> November 2022

## Catholic Education Week

Representatives from our schools will be involved in the celebration of Mass this weekend. St Charles Primary will be involved throughout the 10am Mass and speakers from St. Andrew's Academy will be with us at all other Masses. Please both school communities in your prayers as we remember how important they are to us.

## Second Collection

Today's second collection will be for the Scottish Catholic Education Service (SCES) which promotes and protects our Catholic schools in issues of national significance, and supports our schools, parishes and dioceses. The national office supports three employees and we, as a Diocese, also employ four part-time local members of staff to work in our schools and on the RE curriculum. Buckets will be available as you leave church to donate to this collection

## Parish Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council groups are now considering what their next set of priorities will be for our parish for the coming six months. Please keep this in your prayers as they discern the next steps to take at our next meeting on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December.

## Altar Servers Required!



We would like to begin having younger altar servers once more, suspended by the pandemic. We invite all young people from Primary 5 upwards to consider this important church ministry.

Hopefully this will begin again next week.

Young people can join the team at any point. Parents of interested children are asked to give contact details to Fr. Jim

## Children's Liturgy & Nativity Play



Rehearsals for the Nativity Play have begun. From this week, children should come to the rehearsals at 9.30am. The Children's Liturgy will take place at the 10am Mass as normal.

## Celebration of World Youth Day

The Diocese of Paisley will celebrate World Youth Day **TODAY** at the Diocesan Offices in Paisley (just opposite) Saint Mirin's Cathedral. Open to young people presently in s3-6, the day will begin with a brief meeting regarding the Youth to Lourdes pilgrimage at 2pm and conclude with Mass at 4.30pm and some dinner. The day will conclude at 6pm. All attendees must bring a completed Parental Consent form. These are available from Fr Jim.

## Safeguarding Training – PART ONE – Church Volunteers

There will be a Part One training session taking place on: **Thursday 8th December 2022 at 7pm in St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Clarkston, 2 Eaglelsham Road, Clarkston, G76 7BT** As part of the safe recruitment procedures for the Catholic Church in Scotland, new volunteers undertaking regulated work should complete an application form for their role, apply to become a member of the PVG scheme and attend Safeguarding Part One Training. If you would like to attend this training session, please contact **SarahJane Colhoun** on **0141 847 6138** or [safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk)

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ST CHARLES HALL

# Ladies Afternoon

Sunday 4th December  
1.30-4.30pm

BINGO RAFFLE ENTERTAINMENT

BYOB: TICKETS £5

**Contact: Maryann Christie - 07952548280**  
Proceeds - building/heating fund

## Youth Safeguarding Forum

The new Scottish Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency is developing a forum for young Catholic adults. This forum will in the first instance look at the current safeguarding training and resources for people in youth ministries, discuss ideas which have been proposed for development, and ultimately create a comprehensive package of training and resources for ministries involving young people. We will be joined at some online meetings by experts on particular aspects of Church teaching such as Theology of the Body and Catholic Social Teaching, to ensure all work created is informed by our faith and in line with our safeguarding instruction 'In God's Image', which can be downloaded at [scssa.org.uk/In-Gods-Image-v2](http://scssa.org.uk/In-Gods-Image-v2). If you are between the ages of 18 and 25 and would be interested in joining this forum, or would like to know more, please contact Helena Rameckers by emailing [training@scssa.org.uk](mailto:training@scssa.org.uk) or phoning 07394 862 279 by Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> December. Please note that we also have a small number of spaces on the forum for older adults experienced in youth ministry!

## Think Vocation

Christ is seen today as a king on a cross, but his kingdom is paradise. Could you serve our crucified king and serve like him by offering yourself as a priest, deacon or in religious life? Speak to our Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr. John Morrison email: [vocations@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:vocations@rcdop.org.uk) or tel 01418892602

## Event for young Catholic Adults aged 20-40

Join us for a game of mini golf at Soar Braehead on **Saturday, 26th November at 7:30pm**. Our events are a great opportunity to meet and socialise with other young adults. For more info and tickets email: [2040network@gmail.com](mailto:2040network@gmail.com)

## SCIAF's Annual Remembrance Mass

This mass will be Celebrated by Bishop McGee, Bishop President of SCIAF and held at St Augustine's Church, 12 Dundyan Road, Coatbridge, ML5 1DQ, on **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 7pm**. Please join us to remember those who have shown so much support for SCIAF throughout their lives and pray for our sisters and brothers around the world struggling at this time.

If you would like a loved one remembered at the Mass, even if you are unable to attend, please contact us on 0141 354 5555 or email [getinvolved@sciaf.org.uk](mailto:getinvolved@sciaf.org.uk)

## Young Adults (18-30)

The diocese has organised a series of talks on the Divine Praises. The final talk of the series will be on 'Blessed be God in His Angels and Saints' by Father Ryan Black. This will take place on **Wednesday, 30th November at 7pm** in St Mirin's Cathedral and will be followed by Benediction and an opportunity to socialise over drinks.

## Cinema Arts and Literature Club

Are you interested in discussing Christian themes in film, novels, poetry, music and more? Are you interested in conversations about faith in the arts? Then come to our inaugural event where we will be discussing the film Gran Torino (USA 2008). Tuesday 29th November, 7:30pm to 9pm at Dunreath (Glasgow Men's Opus Dei Centre), 231 Nithsdale Road, G41 5HA. Text INFO to 07957644546 for full details. All welcome.

## Advent Family Gathering – Sunday 27th November 2022

You are warmly invited to come along to this event for families at St. John's Barrhead from **2pm** on Sunday 27th November 2022. The event will include light refreshments, a family Advent wreath activity and Rosary, concluding with the celebration of Mass at 4pm."



## INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Our king hangs on a cross. Onlookers saw this as the final defeat of a fool who many saw as an insurrectionist. They laughed at him and challenged his kingship by looking for proof: Save yourself! Historically, earthly kings are influential figures wielding significant power over the quality of their subjects' lives. Where is Jesus' power? Slowly fading away, he's a failure in many eyes. Brokenness and vulnerability are often seen as failures. Something went wrong and exposed us, revealing our fragile and sometimes incorrect selves to others. Yet, what appears at first to be shameful is really a golden key to life. It is only when vulnerable that we learn how to love genuinely. Marking what seems the end of a failed mission, Jesus Christ our King hangs before us as the vulnerable, wounded key to God's infinite love and life. The kingdoms of this world pass away. Jesus hangs as our king of a world that never ends. When we are vulnerable and broken in death, we fall into the fullness of Christ and are made one with him. This is more than any earthly king can promise and is the salvation we seek.

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