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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

Confession: Thursday – 6.20-6.50pm
Saturday – 9.20-9.50am, 4.20-4.50pm

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

Fatima Devotion: First Saturday after Morning Mass

Sunday, 5th February 2023

First Collection

We have returned to using collection bags for the first collection. Regularly visitors were leaving not having spotted the collection box so we will return to the previous system for the first collections.

Second Collection

Second collections will remain as they were – using the buckets that are available as you leave the church.

Due to the extra costs of heating the Church, from now until the summer the buckets will be in place every Sunday. When there isn't a nominated second collection we would ask that you donate, when you are able, anything extra that you can towards the heating. Our utilities are expected to cost around £20,000 this year, last year they were £7000.

This weekend the second collection is for the Building Fund.

Next weekend the second collection is for SPRED. Our Paisley Diocese SPRED offers people with learning disabilities: a personal friend who takes time to share life and faith, spiritual nurture in a small community of faith; and a sense of belonging to a parish community. Twenty-one SPRED groups meet in the SPRED Centre, our church halls and special needs schools, allowing two hundred parishioners to come together in faith and friendship to share and experience God's love. Paisley SPRED supports three employees. *In SPRED I feel that I belong and everyone is my friend.* To donate to SPRED, you can visit the My Giving Hub at www.shorturl.at/JO578 and click 'donate' under the SPRED logo. Thank you.



or put a note in the SSVP box. Tel: 07986 154093.

We are here to help!

If you, or anyone you know, need help financially or otherwise, please give us a call, in complete confidence,

Mass of Commitment

The pupils of P4, who will be receiving their First Holy Communion will have their Mass of Commitment at the 10.00am Mass this Sunday. Please keep these children in your prayers.



You are invited to a Mass of Healing and Anointing at the 12.00 noon Mass **next Sunday, 19th February.**

If you would like to be anointed during Mass that day, please inform the welcome party on arrival at the church and you will be guided to your seat.



We are looking for volunteers please!

Would you be willing to assist at the tea bar after the Masses on a Sunday morning? Or perhaps you could help with cleaning the church and hall, which we do on a fortnightly basis?

If so, please add your name and telephone number to the sheet in the porch, indicating your preference, and we will be in touch. Thank you.

Diocese of Paisley Safeguarding Thought for the Month of February

All allegations of abuse are reported to the police. This is in line with the mandatory reporting policy of the Catholic Church in Scotland.

Think Vocation

"Your light must shine for people to see." God has given you the gifts you need to do his work and to bring others to see his light. Could he be calling you to be a priest, deacon or religious? Call our Vocations Director, Fr. John Morrison 0141 889 2602 or email vocations@rcddop.org.uk

Youth to Lourdes 2023

Our pilgrimage returns this summer. In s3-s6? Do you wish to serve others? Learn more about your faith? Meet other young people? If so, then Youth to Lourdes could be for you. This year the pilgrimage will leave Scotland on Thursday 29th June 2023. We will arrive in Lourdes on Friday, 30th June. We will arrive back in Scotland on Friday, 7th July 2023. The pilgrimage costs £650.00. Want to know more? Contact Fr. John Morrison Tel: 0141 889 2602 or email vocations@rcdop.org.uk or follow us on Instagram, Facebook and twitter.

Young Adults (18-35)

The new series of talks, In God's Image: A Defence of Catholic Moral Teaching, continues on **Wednesday 1st March**. In the next talk, You Knitted Me Together in My Mother's Womb, Fr Dan Fitzpatrick will discuss infertility, stem cell research and cloning. Please arrive at the **diocesan office before 7pm**. The talk will be followed by an opportunity to socialise over drinks in a local bar. Details of future talks in the series can be found on Facebook.

Safeguarding Training – PART ONE – Church Volunteers

There will be a Part One training session taking place on: **Tuesday 7th March 2023 at 7pm in the Diocesan Offices, Incle Street, Paisley, PA1 1HR**

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

The Scottish Catholic Magazine

Unfortunately, due to the rise in costs and the challenging circumstances of the last couple of years, the editor of The Scottish Catholic has advised that they are no longer going to offer the print edition of the magazine.

From February the Scottish Catholic will be a digital publication. We will provide news and opinion through our website and social media channels. We will produce a monthly email newsletter rounding up the best of our coverage and insight and flavour to help you understand what's happening in the Church here.

To keep up to date and to register for their newsletter, please go to www.scottishcatholic.com

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Takes place from 30 June until 7 July 2023. Pilgrimage is open to all. Prices start at £859 Esplanade Eden, (15 min walk to the Domain) £919 for Beau Site (12 min walk to the Grotto) and £984 for the Hotel Padoue. (3 min walk to the Domain, recommended if you struggle with distance). Prices are per person based on 2 people sharing and does not include insurance. (There is an additional single room supplement for each hotel) *If you have a medical condition, or require assistance you should register with the Pilgrimage medical team. You should do this prior to booking with Tangney Tours. Please contact Anne Louise Buchanan on 01475 638132.* Posters will soon be available at the back of the church. To book phone Tangney Tours on 01732 886666 or visit www.tangney-tours.com/paisley

The Lourdes Hospitalité is having a meeting on 15th February at 7pm in St Ninian's Gourrock. Anyone who is coming to Lourdes as a volunteer please attend the meeting to allow the Diocesan volunteer process to be completed. This will be the closing date for adult volunteers for the pilgrimage.

Please keep in your prayers...

Bishop John and the priests of our Cluster as we meet this afternoon to continue to discern how we can work and support one another within in our cluster area (Paisley Parishes) as priests and people.



LIVE THE LITURGY
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We can't be afraid to season our lives with the truth, even if we face a world of picky eaters. Christians, don't be afraid of flavour!

Or

It's hard to shine the light of truth in a world that so often prefers darkness. But God has built his city on a hill, not a valley. His glory, by definition, exists to be proclaimed, as salt exists to give flavor.

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