

Please remember in your prayers

Sick: Baby Felix Durnion, Matt McDonald, Kathleen Grant, Jackie Chinskie, Jane Downie, Jim Kirkwood. Betty McDermott, Betty McAuley, Anne Taggart, M.A.Musgrave, Tessa McDade, Martin Burns, Hugh Murphy, Maisie Hendry, Ken May, Chris May, Stuart Grew, Margaret Quinn, Megan Carlin, Kirsty White, Gerard Foley, Tony Maschinsky, Thomas Crielly, Bridget Flannigan, Elizabeth Ann Curtis (London), James Fallance, Michelle Miller (Cleary), James Ryan, Maureen Griffin, May Dick, Lauren Nicol, Rab Donnelly, Joseph Townsley, Peter Mitchell, Thomas O'Donnell, John Hamilton, Bridget Cairney, Michael Rennie, Rosemary Walsh, Charlie Dooley

R.I.P.: Agnes Downie, Eddie Harvey, Marie Boyle (Verrechia)

Months Mind: Mary Campbell, James McAtamney, May Cusack

Anniversary: Hugh Straub, Mary Docherty, John Devlin, Mary & Thomas Rennie, Eric Shields, Frances Conway, Agnes Moore, Anne Hillis

Sunday Collection: £2024.00

FEASTS IN THE COMING WEEK

Tuesday 2nd March – St John Ogilvie

SCIAF LENTEN PACKS 2020: Again, this year SCIAF have launched their 'wee box, big change' Lenten pack. Please collect one of these packs as you leave the Church today.

DIOCESE OF MOTHERWELL LENTEN APPEAL: for Sick & Retired clergy will be taken up this weekend (7th & 8th March) at all Sunday Masses.

BISHOP TOAL – LETTER REGARDING CORONAVIRUS: A letter by Bishop Toal regarding the coronavirus and guidance to be adopted during the Celebration of Mass has been sent to every parish in the Diocese. Please collect this letter as you leave today.

ST GERARD'S PRIMARY SCHOOL: will join us for Mass on Tuesday 10th March at 9.30am. The pupils will lead us in the liturgy.

Confessions – Sacred Heart Church

Confessions are now available before the Vigil Mass **from 4.15pm until 4.45pm.**

All Bulletin notices/Months Mind and Anniversaries for both parishes should be handed into the Chapel House or emailed to frmcgoldrick106@gmail.com by Wednesday evening to guarantee inclusion in that weekend's bulletin. Thanks.

PARISH BULLETIN

8th March 2020 – 2nd Sunday of Lent "A"

ST GERARD'S

FLEMING ROAD,
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SACRED HEART

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Sacred Heart Church

Weekday Masses: Monday 10am & Friday 10am

Rosary: Monday and Friday 9.35am

Exposition: Monday and Friday - 9am until 9.55am.

Tuesdays and Thursdays 11am till 6pm
(Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Sacristy)

Sunday Masses: Vigil Mass 5pm (Confessions 4.15pm to 4.45pm)

Sunday 11.30am & 5pm

Please note that on the occasion of a funeral there will be NO Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before the weekday Mass.

St. Gerard's Church

Weekday Masses: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 9.30am

(Confessions **after** Saturday 9.30am Mass)

Exposition: Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays 8.45am

Sunday Mass: 10am

Sunday Readings

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4

Resp. Psalm: May your love be upon us, O Lord,
As we place all our hope in you.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1: 8-10

Gospel Accl: **Glory and praise to you, O Christ**

From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard:

"This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him"

Glory and praise to you, O Christ

Gospel: Matthew 17: 1-9

SACRED HEART PARISH HALL

THE MOBILE NUMBER FOR HALL BOOKINGS AND ENQUIRIES IS 07542 763033

PLEASE NOTE: All bookings and hall enquiries **MUST** go through this number to ensure the booking can be dealt with properly. Many thanks.

If you wish a bar for your function a **MINIMUM** of 8 weeks' notice is required

SCOTTISH CATHOLIC SAFEGUARDING SERVICE

If you need to speak to anyone regarding a safeguarding issue in the parish, please contact Fr. McGoldrick, Deacon Tom, Eddie Rooney (Sacred Heart) on 07860251503 or Tom Fox (St. Gerard's) on 01698 841206

ANNUAL PRO LIFE FUNDRAISER will be on Friday 3rd April 2020 at 7.30pm in Sacred Heart Parish Hall. Tickets £10. Food/Entertainment/ Raffles/Fun. All proceeds to SPUC (Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child) and Arch (Abortion Recovery Care). Any donations gratefully accepted

BISHOP ROPERT BARRON: The DVD series of talks by Bishop Robert Barron will run during Lent. The next DVD will be shown on Monday 9th March at 7pm in Sacred Heart Church Hall. All welcome.

SACRED HEART CHURCH: If you pay your Sunday collection by 'GIFT-AID' envelopes please collect them as you leave Church today. These envelopes should be used from Sunday 5th April 2020.

CHOIR PRACTICE FOR EASTER TRIDUUM will be held in Sacred Heart church on Monday nights at 7pm. Members of St Gerard's choir are invited as well as any new members who wish to join the choir.

MISSION AND EVANGELISATION TEAM, Diocese of Motherwell: Journey into Freedom. Four Lenten Sessions of Contemplative Prayer - Mondays: 9th, 16th, 23rd March 2020. 7.15 - 9.00pm in the Xavier Centre, Carfin. ML1 5AL. All Welcome.

MASSES DURING LENT 2020

MONDAYS: 8.15AM AND 10AM – SACRED HEART CHURCH

TUESDAYS: 8.15AM AND 9.30AM – ST. GERARD'S CHURCH

THURSDAYS: 8.15AM AND 9.30AM – ST. GERARD'S CHURCH

FRIDAYS: 8.15AM AND 10AM – SACRED HEART CHURCH

Stations of the Cross during Lent: Tuesday at 7pm in St. Gerard's
Fridays at 7pm in Sacred Heart.

U.C.M. FUNDRAISER - The St. Patrick's Dance this year will be to help raise money to send a student nurse to go out to work in Zambia with the Nurses Aid Programme. She has to find the money to pay her travelling costs which are quite expensive. All profits from the dance will go to this cause.

The entertainment on the night will be The Reasons and there will also be light refreshments. It is on Friday the 13th of March at 7.30p.m. in Sacred Heart Church hall. Tickets costing £10.00 can be obtained by contacting Nan Reilly or putting your name in the book at the back of the chapel just outside the stall. Please support us in this venture while enjoying a great night out.

FAMILY FAST - a huge thank you to everyone who fasted and donated to this cause. A magnificent sum of £820.00 was raised which will be donated to Scottish charities. As always, you will be in our prayers.

NOVENA TO ST. PEREGRINE: will be held in St. Gerard's next Saturday 14th March at 9-30am. With the opportunity to be blessed with St Peregrine Holy Oil and Venerate the Holy Relic of St Peregrine. A book of petitions is open at each mass to record the names of our sick brothers and sisters. We offer those names to the Lord. All Welcome.

CHILDRENS LITURGY: For many years now children's liturgy has taken place both in Sacred Heart & St Gerard's. And we have had plenty of help during this time to help our young children learn about their faith. However, in recent times we have found ourselves with only a few leaders to look after the children. And so I appeal to adults in the parish who could spare 10-15 minutes on a Sunday during Mass to help. Your child/children may go to the liturgy so why not work with them and other children in an informed way, passing on and learning about the catholic faith.

If you are interested please speak to Fr McGoldrick or Deacon Tom after Mass. With your help we can continue this valuable activity.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

PLEASE SUPPORT: your parish stall in Sacred Heart & St Gerard's. Both parishes have a large selection of gifts, St Patrick's, Easter, First Communion and cards and gifts for all occasions. All at reasonable prices.

LET THE CHILDREN LIVE: On behalf of Fr Peter Walters, thanks to all parishioners who fill the 'Let The Children Live' cash boxes. Over the years, a total of £7,606.34 has been donated. This greatly helps the street children of Columbia. Please continue to support this charity. Thank you.