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**CONFESSIONS:** Saturdays 4.15 p.m - 4.45 p.m. & Sundays 9.15 a.m - 9.40 a.m.

**DAILY MASS:** Mondays to Fridays *only* at 10 a.m.

**SATURDAY ADORATION:** 10a.m. until 11a.m. with Confessions throughout

**SUNDAY MASSES:** 5 p.m. Vigil (Saturday) 10 a.m. and 12 Noon

6th August 2023

The Transfiguration of the Lord ~ Year A

Please remember in your prayers those in need, those who are sick and housebound and those in hospital

RECENTLY DEAD

ANNIVERSARIES

Michael Coane and Con McGinlay

James Bradley, Alan Johnston, Alistair McIlroy and Alexander McNeill

*Feast of the Assumption. Tuesday 15th August. Holy day of Obligation. Masses 10a.m. and 7p.m.*

**While Fr Mackle will be on annual leave until 13th August,** Fr Declan McNaughton, Columban Missionary from Ireland, along with Deacon Tommy, will cover all Masses and liturgies. During this time, please direct any emails to [Thomas.Thompson@rcag.org.uk](mailto:Thomas.Thompson@rcag.org.uk)

**Happy Holidays ~ Going away?** Do check <https://masstimes.org/> for a church near you. A warm welcome to those who are visiting us at this time.

**Wi-Fi.** Church, halls, house, hut and grounds now all have password protected guest Wi-Fi.

**Confirmation Enrolment Forms** will be available at each Mass from the Sacristy from mid August.

**Hiroshima Day:** 6th August marks the anniversary of the world's first nuclear attack on the city of Hiroshima in 1945 and 3 days later Nagasaki killing over 200,000 Japanese civilians. 78 years on 9 states now hold weapons many times more powerful than those used in 1945. Nuclear politics continue to drive gross global inequities and Putin's nuclear threat over Ukraine increases the appalling risk of nuclear confrontation. Wholesale nuclear disarmament is now needed more than ever to provide a safer, fairer, better world, free from the dangers of nuclear weapons.

*And they shall beat their swords into ploughshares ...-neither shall they learn war any more. Isaiah 2:4*

**Save the Date!** As part of the Season of Creation (1st September – 4th October) we are planning a "Creative Crafternoon" on Saturday 9th September from 2p.m. to 5p.m. We will have crafting materials available for all ages or just bring along your own and enjoy the spirit of creativity in good company. More details soon. If you have a crafting skill of any kind you'd be happy to display/share/teach, we really want to hear from you! Please email: [standrew@rcag.co.uk](mailto:standrew@rcag.co.uk)

**Catholic Social Teaching Thought for the Week - Sunday 6th August 2023**

How can we propose peace if we constantly invoke the threat of nuclear war as a legitimate recourse for the resolution of conflicts? May the abyss of pain endured here remind us of boundaries that must never be crossed. A true peace can only be an unarmed peace.

**Pope Francis, Address at the Hiroshima Peace Memorial, 24th November 2019**

**Bishop Brian McGee, who will represent the Scottish Bishops at the Synod in Rome in October,** has asked the people of the Archdiocese of Glasgow to look at the Working Document (Instrumentum Laboris) paragraphs 17-42 and offer a reflective and honest comment on them. Prayerful reflection on this section should allow us to notice ideas that ruminate with our own discussions and concerns and help Bishop McGee emphasise what is important to the People of God in this portion of the Lord's vineyard. You are invited to consider this with others or indeed offer a personal reflection of the material. The document in its entirety can be found on our Diocesan webpage under synod. Please can you send a summary of your reflections to [synod@rcag.org.uk](mailto:synod@rcag.org.uk) any time before the 10th of August. These will be synthesised and become the Glasgow contribution to assist the Bishop in his task. The other Dioceses in Scotland are reviewing different areas of the document. To view our study section click <https://rcagsynod.org/resources-for-parishes>

**Laudato Si' - On Care for our Common Home**  
The warming caused by huge consumption on the part of some rich countries has repercussions on the poorest areas of the world, especially Africa, where a rise in temperature, together with drought, has proved devastating for farming. (#51)

**Bereavement Support Group** is willing to help anyone seeking assistance. If you have suffered a bereavement (not necessarily recently) and feel you could benefit from talking to someone about it, please call 942 4635 or email [standrew@rcag.org.uk](mailto:standrew@rcag.org.uk)

<p><b>To this year's Assembly of Clergy</b>, the Archbishop has invited Fr Stephen Wang, author and presenter of Sycamore, a series of videos suitable for evangelisation and renewal. You might want to have a wee look at them online - <a href="https://www.sycamore.fm/videos/">https://www.sycamore.fm/videos/</a> They're free of charge and have some good ideas about how we in our parish might evangelise.</p>	<p><b>Maryvale Institute, Birmingham-</b> Study part-time, by distance learning for a Bachelor of Divinity (BDiv) or a Licence in Divinity: The Maryvale Higher Institute of Religious Sciences (HIRS) is the only ecclesial institute of this kind in the English-speaking world. Contact: Admissions tutor, Deacon Dr Harry Schnitker at: <a href="mailto:researchcentre@maryvale.ac.uk">researchcentre@maryvale.ac.uk</a></p>				
<p><b>Parish Day Trip to Carfin for the National Pilgrimage</b> 3p.m. Mass and Rosary Procession. Sunday, 3rd September -The Bus is free and will leave Roman Road car park at 1pm sharp. There is a cafe at Carfin but you might want to take a packed lunch. Sign up sheet in the porch.</p>	<p><b>It is pleasant to spend time</b> adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. The Eucharist is such a priceless treasure ~ by praying before it, we are able to make contact with Christ present in the Most Holy Sacrament. Saturdays 10a.m. until 11a.m. Confessions throughout. <b>Confessions</b> also on Saturdays 4.15p.m – 4.45p.m &amp; Sundays 9.15a.m – 9.40a.m</p>				
<p><b>Young Adults (18+) Pilgrimage to Skye:</b> Exploring the life of St Therese of Lisieux. 4th – 8th September £280. Visit <a href="http://www.revivescotland.co.uk">www.revivescotland.co.uk</a> for more information and to book your place.</p>	<p><b>Emmaus supports</b> formerly homeless people by providing a home and meaningful work on one of their social enterprises. If your old furniture, sofas, white goods and electricals are in good condition, Emmaus will collect for free. Call 0141 342 4089.</p>				
<p><b>The Church is open</b> until 5p.m. Monday to Saturday. Call in and enjoy the peace and quiet, and take time to sit in the stillness in the silence of God. <b>Tea is served in the hut</b> after daily Mass Monday to Thursday. All most welcome.</p>	<p><b>Catholic Parliamentary Office</b> – Sign up for the latest news and articles at <a href="https://rcpolitics.org/">https://rcpolitics.org/</a> ~ raising Catholic pressing matters in a political forum ~ protecting Catholic values ~ making the voice of the Catholics heard in Scottish and UK Parliaments.</p>				
<p><b>Every one of us is called to spread the gospel - to do what we can to bring others to Christ.</b> <b>Word on Fire</b> can help us develop our thinking as Catholics - to become confident evangelisers. See: <a href="https://wordonfire.institute/">https://wordonfire.institute/</a> There's a wealth of good videos about our faith. You'll see that Bishop Barron addresses a whole host of matters ranging from Catholic theology to myths about the Catholic Church. Worth having a look.</p>	<p><b>If you have a disability</b> that affects your attendance at church or participation in any of the liturgies, and would benefit from some assistance or adaptations being made, please let us know. Email: <a href="mailto:standrew@rcag.org.uk">standrew@rcag.org.uk</a> or call 942 4635. <b>You can raise FREE donations</b> for the parish every time you shop online. Take a moment to sign up at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/StAndrewsBearsden2023">https://tinyurl.com/StAndrewsBearsden2023</a></p>				
<p><b>For women affected by separation and divorce</b> – confidential and peer support Friday 1st September 2023 St Patrick's, Dumbarton 6-8p.m. <a href="mailto:glasgowarchdiocesewomensgroup@gmail.com">glasgowarchdiocesewomensgroup@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>Catholic...? Thinking about it...? Know someone who is...?</b> Please speak to Fr. Mackle if you would like to know more about becoming Catholic and the RCIA process.</p>				
<p><i>Before receiving Holy Communion, we are asked to make some act of reverence such as a bow.</i></p>					
<p><b>Drumchapel Foodbank</b> - During the summer holidays, school meals are not provided so the need is even greater than usual. If you are able to take your donation straight to the Foodbank at Ladyloan Pl, G15 8LB, that would be good. If not, do leave your donation, please, in the house porch. Many thanks.</p>	<p><b>Our soup-run</b> volunteers collect donations every evening from M &amp; S Milngavie for delivery to St Gregory's Foodbank and Aspire West End. If you are interested in volunteering once or twice a month, please get in touch with Veronica McLaughlin - <a href="mailto:veronicamcl@sky.com">veronicamcl@sky.com</a>.</p>				
<p><b>Drumchapel Foodbank. Thanks for continuing to give the foodbank your support.</b></p>					
<p><b>Parish Bulletin:</b> Items for inclusion should be sent to <a href="mailto:standrewsbearsdenbulletin@gmail.com">standrewsbearsdenbulletin@gmail.com</a> by 6 p.m. on the Tuesday before publication. The Parish Bulletin is available weekly on our website/by email for all those on our Parish database and on the noticeboards in the Church porch and the Church grounds.</p>					
					