

**Catholic Social Teaching
Thought for the Week
12th February 2023**

**Anniversary of the murder of Sr
Dorothy Stang SNDdeN**

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**Laudato Si' - On Care for our
Common Home**

Oceans not only contain the bulk of our planet's water supply, but also most of the immense variety of living creatures, many of them still unknown to us and threatened for various reasons. What is more, marine life in rivers, lakes, seas and oceans, which feeds a great part of the world's population, is affected by uncontrolled fishing, leading to a drastic depletion of certain species. (#40)

Our soup-run volunteers continue to collect donations from M&S, Byres Rd & Milngavie for delivery to Drumchapel/St Gregory's Foodbanks, Wayside Club & Aspire.

Forthcoming Special Collections

**26th Feb, 5th, 12th, 26th March,
& 2nd April –**

**Sick & Retired Priests
19th March – SCIAF**



Adoration for Vocations - On the first Saturday of each month prayers will be offered for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, consecrated life and the permanent diaconate during the usual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 10.00a.m. till 11.00a.m. Please consider coming to spend time in adoration and prayer.

Drumchapel Foodbank

Regularly your donations are dropped off at the foodbank by our parish volunteers. Thanks for continuing to give the foodbank your support.

2021/22 Levy One substantial expense, which our parish annually incurs, is the Diocesan Levy. Most parishes must contribute towards this for the administration of the Archdiocese. The current Diocesan Levy for St Andrew's is £51,175. To date, the remaining balance to be paid by 31st March 2023 is £18,175.



Parish Bulletin: Items for inclusion should be sent in by **6 p.m. on the Tuesday** before publication. Copies of the bulletin are available on Facebook, Twitter, the parish website/by email link (to all those on the Parish database) and on the noticeboards in the Church porch and the Church grounds.



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CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 4.15 p.m - 4.45 p.m.

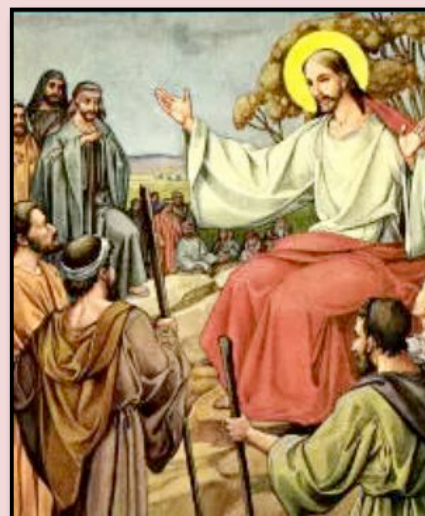
Sundays 9.15 a.m - 9.40 a.m.

DAILY MASS:

Mondays to Fridays only at 10 a.m.

SUNDAY MASSES:

5 p.m. Vigil (Sat) 10 a.m. and 12 Noon



12th FEBRUARY 2023

**SIXTH ORDINARY
SUNDAY OF THE YEAR-A**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING:

Ecclesiasticus 15:16-21

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

118(119):1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34

SECOND READING:

1 Corinthians 2: 6-10

GOSPEL:

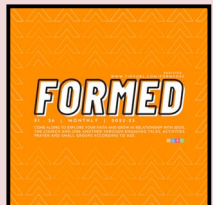
Matthew 5: 17-37

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

Recently Dead: Marie Colpi, Anne Docherty, Paula Donohoe, Annie Gallagher, Stuart Gray, Sylvia Guidi, Mary Hannah, Joan Hay, Anne Higgins, Stanley Hutchison, Isobel Jamieson, Joseph Logan, Ian McDonald, Maisie McKenna, Nora Mochan, Kenneth O'Connor and John Oswald

Anniversaries: Nessie Cannon, Margaret Connolly, Harry English, Eileen 'Helen' Fallon, Samuel Galloway, Paul Gerard, Anne Lawson, Maisie McGhie, Trish Mitchell, May Ward and James Ward

Calling all young people S1 – S6 FORMED meets monthly – Next meeting Friday 3rd March, 17:30-19:30. Run by AoG Youth ~ an opportunity to meet in the Archdiocesan offices to meet, chat and pray together. To find out more and to register your young person, go to <https://www.rcagyouth.co.uk/events.html>



Preparing for Confirmation - Meeting for St Nicholas' parents - Thursday 23rd February at 6.30p.m. in St Nicholas' Assembly Hall. **Please note** too that there will also be a meeting for all parents whose children are being Confirmed – Tuesday 28th February at 6.30p.m. in St Andrew's Church.

To all P3, P4 & P7 parents ~ Dates for your diaries
SAS (St Andrew's Squad) P3 ~ Sundays 5th, 12th March & 23rd April. All 9.00a.m. – 9.45am in the Upper Hall. P4~Sundays 16th April & 7th May All 9.00a.m. – 9.45am in the Upper Hall. P7~SAS & St Joseph's CatClub Sunday 16th April 3p.m. – 5p.m. in St Andrew's.

Here's a great wee video the parish has made as a follow up to the recent parents' Reconciliation meeting. Woven into you'll see are the children's responses. <https://youtu.be/Z22DoG9qYOc>

If your PVG was issued in 2018 or earlier, please get in touch with our Parish Safeguarding Coordinator, Clare Thompson, at standrew-psc@rcag.org.uk. If you need help checking your date, Clare will be happy to assist. The Archdiocese seeks updates on volunteer PVG Scheme membership every five years.

Coffee Morning ~ next Sunday, 19th February. Please come along and join us in the Upper Hall, after 10 a.m. Mass, for tea, coffee and some delicious home baking. This month we are raising funds for Fr Mathew Parumoottil's parish school in India. He runs the school to improve the children's employment prospects and, in India, every penny counts for them. £200 was donated to Mary's Meals in December and this was matched and so doubled to £400, by some very kind donors.

Huge thanks to NET Ministry for their visit last weekend. They led a terrific day's retreat for our young people. I'm sure all who attended got a lot out of the day. Huge thanks, too, to our Youth Ministry Team for helping with all the organising, planning and arrangements, and to our Caritas candidates for all their much appreciated help. More in the pipeline for our youth to come together.

St Andrew's is now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for the parish every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself! Please take a moment to sign up and support us at <https://tinyurl.com/standrews-easyfundraising> Thank you so much!



Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland 18th April 2023: If interested please contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

Before receiving Holy Communion, we are asked to make some preparatory act of reverence such as a bow.



The church is open every day. Call in and enjoy the peace and quiet, and take time to sit in the stillness in the silence of God.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – each Saturday from 10.00 a.m.~11.00 a.m. with Confessions throughout. Please consider coming to spend time in adoration and prayer.

For women affected by separation and divorce – next meeting of this confidential and peer support group is **Friday 3rd March** in St Patrick's Hall, Dumbarton 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. All new members are most welcome. Email: glasgowarchdiocesewomensgroup@gmail.com

Sign up for the latest news and articles at repolitics.org. ~ raising Catholic pressing matters in a political forum ~ protecting Catholic values ~ making the voice of the Catholics heard in Scottish and UK Parliaments.



Between now and Easter, remember in your prayers – Gemma, Millie and Eleanor who are all journeying through RCIA to receive the Sacraments and become Catholic this Easter.

Next Lunch Club~Thursday 16th February 12.30a.m.~3p.m. All warmly welcome for lunch, in good company, and have a friendly chat. Great attendance each time, but it means we do need more volunteers to help. If you can assist please contact Jim Cameron – 0141 942 4439 or 07985 129119 or Trish Kerr 07794 989154.

Provision for Marriage Counselling. The Bishops of Scotland are appealing to those who are already qualified as Counsellors and who would be interested in completing some further training to work in this area, particularly here in Glasgow. If this is something that you believe you could use your skills for please get in touch on 07706 063936 to have an initial chat.

Piety Stall ~ Could you occasionally help with serving in the Piety Stall? We are particularly short of volunteers for the 10a.m. Sunday morning Mass – if you could sometimes spare 10 minutes after this Mass to help, we'd be most grateful. Please call Anne MacIntosh 931-5861 or Annamaria Strachan 942-9799.