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CONFESSIONS:

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

DAILY MASS:

Mondays to Fridays *only* at 10a.m.

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

SUNDAY MASSES:

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

25th February 2024

Second Sunday of Lent ~ Year B

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

RECENTLY DEAD

Ellen Byrne, Mary Clunie, Christopher Duncan, Ellen Lewis, Margaret MacInnes, John Malone, Stevie Rae, John Stepek and Sheila Strachan

ANNIVERSARIES

Roberta Bradley, Manus Fallon, John Hughes, Jim Keegan Snr, Chrissie MacPherson, Walter McCarron and Kathleen Tully

Our 40 Hours Adoration, which is next month, is a wonderful opportunity to pray and spend time in the Real Presence of Jesus, quietly giving Him thanks, asking His help and listening to Him speaking.

The simple act of adoration deepens our friendship with Jesus. St. Pope John Paul II said, 'The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet Him in adoration and in contemplation full of faith'.

Forty Hours Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Pop the dates in your diary. Do pop in for some quiet prayer time. **Sunday 10th March.** Evening Prayer 5p.m. Night Prayer 9p.m. **Monday, 11th March** Holy Hour 7p.m. Confessions throughout. Night Prayer 9p.m. **Tuesday, 12th March** Holy Hour 7p.m. Confessions throughout. Night Prayer 9p.m.

Messengers Meeting on Monday 26th February. All Messengers are asked to attend the Easter Reachout meeting at 7.30 p.m. in the Lower Hall – and all Area Leaders are asked to arrive at 7.00 p.m. to prepare the Reachout Bulletins.

St. Andrew's Whist Drive will take place on Wednesday 28th February, in the Lower Hall, from 2p.m. – 4:15p.m. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served. Entry £3. Looking forward to seeing everyone. New members always welcome.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – FRIDAY 1st MARCH 2024 The Service, this year, will take place in **Killermont Church**, Rannoch Drive, Bearsden G61 2HF from **9:30 to 10:00** with hospitality afterwards. The title is **'I beg with you to bear with one another in love'** written by the **Christian Women of Palestine**. Everyone is welcome.

SCIAF COFFEE MORNING Many thanks to Veronica Maguire and the team who helped us to raise funds for SCIAF at the coffee morning last Sunday morning as part of our Caritas Award activities in the parish. Thanks also to everyone who came into the hall to enjoy the coffee morning and also bought some SCIAF Real Gifts. The grand total of £549.01 was made through the entry fee and the sale of SCIAF Real Gifts. Ellen and Roisin

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) Campaign Meeting - 7.30p.m. Tues 27 Feb in St Mary's, Calton, to address the ever-increasing threats to the sanctity of life in Scotland, including the Pills by Post Policy. All are most welcome.

Bulletin. We need two or three more volunteers to help produce our weekly bulletin. At present, we have just one person producing the bulletin. We need volunteers, especially for holiday cover. If you can spare a couple of hours and become a volunteer collating the bulletin items, please get in touch with Catherine at standrewsbearsdenbulletin@gmail.com

Volunteers are urgently needed to lead Children's Liturgy of the Word at 10am Mass on Sundays. (resources, support, training, and lots of info provided including guidance regarding safeguarding requirements). Children's Liturgy is on during school term time, and you would be part of a rota. If you would be interested in volunteering for this important ministry or learning more about Children's Liturgy, please contact Sharon and Alan at wdraft2018@gmail.com. If you did volunteer recently and have submitted your application to Safeguarding, please do get in touch to give an update. Many thanks.

Campaign on Assisted Suicide. A group from St Margaret's, concerned that many people may agree to a law, without knowing all the facts, has organised a conference in Clydebank Town Hall: The Future of Care in Scotland, Friday 15th March, 9.30-12.30 supported by politicians and the Catholic Parliamentary Office. All are most welcome. For more information, contact: Brian 07947497797 or Noel assisthelp04@gmail.com. Please get in touch if you are free to represent St Andrew's at this conference.

<p>During Lent Rosary – Monday – Friday 9.30a.m. Stations of the Cross Fridays at 6p.m. Saturday Adoration – 10 – 11a.m. with Confessions throughout, Sunday Confessions – 9.15 – 9.40a.m. Alms Giving 2nd Collection – for sick and retired priests. Many thanks Short Term Pledge Prayer cards available in the porch. SCIAF Wee Box – do pick up a pack from the porch, please.</p>	<p>The Second Collection during Lent is taken up to support our sick and retired priests. On the 4th Sunday, the collection will be exclusively for SCIAF.</p> <p>Catholic...? Thinking about it...? Know someone who is...? Please speak to Fr. Mackle if you would like to know more about becoming Catholic and the RCIA process.</p> <p>Eco-Congregation Scotland's Lent 2024 programme has several video reflections available now for download and use on: https://www.ecocongregationscotland.org/lent-a-time-to-change-direction/</p>
<p>Synod 2023-2024: Pope Francis is asking us to deepen our thoughts on 20 areas of special interest. They can be found at https://www.synod.va/content/dam/synod/assembly/synthesis/english/2023.10.28-ENG-Synthesis-Report.pdf. All thoughts, for inclusion in the Archdiocesan response, to be submitted by 3rd March to Synod@rcag.org.uk</p>	
<p>SACRAMENTS IN 2024 ~ First Confession - Sacrament of Reconciliation – Saturday 9th March, 10.00a.m – 11.00 a.m. Family members are encouraged, too, to take the opportunity to go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The date for First Holy Communion is Sunday 19th May at 12 Noon Mass.</p>	<p>Calling all Primary Three pupils who will be celebrating First Confession (Sacrament of Reconciliation) during Lent. To help them grow on their journey of faith preparing for this great Sacrament of God's healing love, there will be an SAS gathering on Sunday 3rd March from 2p.m. until 4p.m. in the Upper Hall. It is important that all the pupils attend this preparation.</p>
<p>Catholic Social Teaching Thought for the Week - Sunday 25th February Pure and genuine religion in the sight of God the Father means caring for orphans and widows in their distress and refusing to let the world corrupt you. James 1:27</p>	<p>Children's Choir Dates 10a.m. Mass St Andrew's Church. If your child is not at St Nicholas' and they would like to join the choir, please contact Annamaria (a.strachan@dunelm.org.uk/0141942 9799) to arrange rehearsal links: 10th, 17th, 31st March, 21st April, 12th & 19th May, 9th & 16th June 10a.m. Mass.</p>
<p>Laudato Si' – On Care for our Common Home – The creation accounts in the book of Genesis contain, in their own symbolic and narrative language, profound teachings about human existence and its historical reality. They suggest that human life is grounded in three fundamental and closely intertwined relationships: with God, with our neighbour and with the earth itself. (#66)</p>	<p>The Scottish Laity Network continues its Lent 2024 programme of Zoom sessions this week on Thursday 29 February, 7.00 - 8.30pm. with the following -The Synod on Synodality: between post-Vatican II and the Third Millennium of the Church. The link for the programme information and registration details is: https://drive.google.com/file/d/13J9eXHEpdAH77UJ5fH7-v_EnmB_04NxF/view?usp=sharing</p>
<p>The Church is open 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. Tea is served in the hut after daily Mass Monday to Thursday. All most welcome.</p>	<p>For women affected by separation and divorce-confidential and peer support Friday 1st March 2024 St Patrick's, Dumbarton 6-8p.m. glasgowarchdiocesewomensgroup@gmail.com You can raise FREE donations for the parish every time you shop online. Take a moment to sign up at https://tinyurl.com/StAndrewsBearsden2023</p>
<p><i>Before receiving Holy Communion, we are asked to make some act of reverence such as a bow.</i></p>	
<p>Support For Drumchapel Foodbank. Non-perishable food items are always gratefully received and can be placed in the House porch. Donations can also be taken straight to the Foodbank at Ladyloan PI Unit 9, G15 8LB. We regularly use cash donations to purchase food items for delivery straight to the foodbank. Our rota is always looking for more foodbank volunteer drivers. If you can help, please get in touch. Thanks for continuing to give the foodbank your support.</p>	
<p>Parish Bulletin: Items for inclusion should be sent to standrewsbearsdenbulletin@gmail.com by 5 p.m. on the Tuesday before publication and should not exceed 80 words. The Parish Bulletin is available weekly on our website/by email for all those on our Parish database and on the noticeboard in the Church porch.</p>	