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

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

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

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

> 3rd & 10th March 2024 Third/Fourth Sundays of Lent ~ Year B

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

RECENTLY DEAD **ANNIVERSARIES**

Patricia Bell, Rose Boyce, Martin Brown, Ellen Byrne, Mary Clunie, George Clark, Chris Cole, Joe Di Paola, Betty Divers, Christopher Duncan, Brian Forde,

Michael Kent, Ellen Lewis, John Malone, Isabella McCarron, Pauline McDonald, Arleen McGinley, Gerrard McLaughlin,

Sandra McMonagle, Ellen Sheehy and Michael Simpson

Tillie Donnelly, Guilia Gagliardi, Mary Bell

MacCormick,

Marie Maguire and Irene Rankin

Three Months Mind: Henry Rossi

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 **today 3rd March** to Synod@rcag.org.uk

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 today, Sunday 3rd March from 2p.m. until 4p.m. in the Upper Hall. It is important that all the pupils attend this preparation.

SACRAMENTS IN 2024 ~ First Confession - Sacrament of Reconciliation – next 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.

LUNCH CLUB The next Lunch Club is this Thursday 7th March 12:30 – 2:00p.m. in the Upper

All most welcome to come along, enjoy lunch in good company, enjoy a chat and some great 'craik".

Huge thanks to our Messengers for collecting their bundles of Easter Reachout, which will be delivered to almost 1.100 homes.

The Pastoral Area Council of St Andrew's and St Joseph's is currently considering a reduced summer Mass Schedule.

More details about this soon.

Volunteers are required to have their feet washed at the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7p.m. on Thursday 28th March. Please enter your name on the sheet in the porch.

St Nicholas' P4s will be visiting tomorrow at 11a.m. to spend some quiet time in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. This is their second of four adoration times in preparation for their First Holy Communion. Their first was in Turnbull's oratory.

Glasgow Lourdes Pilgrimage - 12 to 19 July Would you or someone you know like to go to Lourdes this summer with the Hospitalite? Each year, we like to sponsor a number of parishioners to go to Lourdes. Those being sponsored would require doctor medical clearance. Your stay would be at the Lourdes hospital or could be in one of the hotels. Interested? Please contact standrew@rcag.org.uk by 23rd March.

Our 40 Hours Adoration, next Sunday, 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.

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.

Volunteers are urgently needed to lead Children's Liturgy of the Word at 10a.m. 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.

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 Fr Mackle at standrew@rcag.org.uk

NHS GGC Choir concert for MAGGIES Saturday16th March 2024 at 7p.m. New Kilpatrick Parish Church Tickets £5 All proceeds to: MAGGIE'S registered charity in Scotland. Registered Charity Number: SC024414 For tickets call the Church Office on 0141 942 8827

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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.

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.

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.

International Women's Day is observed on Friday 8th March, all around the world. It is a day to reflect on and celebrate the social, political, economic, and cultural accomplishments of women.

Catholic Social Teaching Thought for the Week - Sunday 3rd March God loves all men and women on earth and gives them the hope of a new era, an era of peace. His love, fully revealed in the Incarnate Son, is the foundation of universal peace. When welcomed in the depths of the human heart, this love reconciles people with God and with themselves, renews human relationships and stirs that desire for brotherhood capable of banishing the temptation of violence and war.

Pope Saint John Paul II, Message for World Day of Peace, 1 January 2000

Laudato Si' – On Care for our Common Home – Although it is true that we Christians have at times incorrectly interpreted the Scriptures, nowadays we must forcefully reject the notion that our being created in God's image and given dominion over the earth justifies absolute domination over other creatures. (#67)

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.

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

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.

For women affected by separation and divorceconfidential and peer support Friday 5th April 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

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 Pl 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.

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.