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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

31st March 2024

Easter Sunday ~ Year B

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

RECENTLY DEAD

ANNIVERSARIES

Una Brandteth, Bridget Duncan, Christopher Duncan, Ian Coburn, Maureen Keogh, Marion McAllister, Kevin McGoldrick, Marion McMaster, Michael McNulty, Fr Gerry Mulligan, Irene Prior, William Quigley and Michael Tartaglia

James McCluskey
and
Ron Sullivan

A very Happy Easter to everyone. 'This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad'

Archbishop Nolan's Easter message ~ "Christ is risen, Alleluia". We should say those words with joy in our heart. For this is the core of the Christian message, this is the centre of the good news. These words assure us that death is not the end, that the sufferings of Calvary, the cross and crucifixion do not last; that death will be overcome by life, the fullness of life. Just as for Jesus, so also for us, the light of day will banish the darkness of night. Therefore, if we struggle just now with our own Calvary, may the resurrection of Jesus encourage us to persevere; if we mourn the death of a loved one, may the resurrection lighten our sadness with the assurance of life eternal; if we struggle to see how the many problems of the world can be overcome, may the resurrection give us hope. Christ has risen, he is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Holy Saturday- Morning Prayer 10a.m.
Easter Vigil- 7p.m followed by refreshments.
(No 5p.m Vigil)
Easter Sunday Masses. 10a.m. and 12 Noon

- **The Second Collection** next Sunday 7th April 2024, (2nd Sunday of Easter) will be for **Assisted Parishes.**
- **SCIAF Wee Boxes** to be handed in, please, by Sunday 28th April.

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Welcome to Bonnie Scotland A very warm welcome to the 12 students and their teachers from Japan who are joining us for our 10a.m. Mass. We wish you all a fabulous holiday here in Scotland.

SONGS OF PRAISE – EASTER SUNDAY – 19:30 – WESTERTON FAIRLIE MEMORIAL PARISH CHURCH. A lovely way to round off Easter Sunday – why not come along to the 'Songs of Praise' organised by the Association of Bearsden Churches? Everyone is welcome.

Catholic Social Teaching Thought for the Week – Easter Sunday 31st March 2024
Some consider reconciliation as an impossible dream which ideally might become the lever for a true transformation of society. For others it is to be gained by arduous efforts and therefore a goal to be reached through serious reflection and action. Whatever the case, the longing for sincere and consistent reconciliation is without a shadow of doubt a fundamental driving force in our society, reflecting an irrepressible desire for peace.
Pope Saint John Paul II, Reconciliatio et Paenitentia, para 3

Flourish -Due to a generous benefactor, Flourish is a free newspaper. It is also a great tool for evangelisation. As well as taking a copy for yourself, do take a copy for someone else.

Laudato Si' – On Care for our Common Home - This responsibility for God's earth means that human beings, endowed with intelligence, must respect the laws of nature and the delicate equilibria existing between the creatures of this world. (#68)

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.

Our piety stall has a fine selection of Easter cards, First Communion cards and various for all occasions.

<p>Lunch Club The next meeting of the lunch club is this Thursday, 4th April 12.30-2.30p.m. in the Upper Hall. As always everyone is very welcome, Come along bring a friend, a neighbour, and/or a family member and enjoy lunch "in a warm friendly environment".</p>	
<p>Lord, Make Me Know Your Ways- Could God be calling you to serve as a priest? Please get in touch to find out more about discerning your vocation. For information and details, please speak to Fr Mackle. Pray for priests. Pray for more priests.</p>	<p>Spring Young Adult Walking Pilgrimage 19th - 21st April through the Archdiocese stopping at various parishes. Great opportunity for 16 - 35 year olds to grow in their faith, get in some exercise and make new friends. www.tinyurl.com/rcagpilgrimage</p>
<p>Save the date - Saturday 22nd June - Family Quiz Night. Before that, though, we have our parish Cheese & Wine after the 7p.m. Easter Vigil. All most welcome.</p>	<p>Please drive with care within the church grounds and observe at all times the 5 mph speed limit. This is extremely important when coming round the bend at the bottom of the driveway. Pedestrians, please do use the pavement from the church entrance to the Lower Hall.</p>
<p>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.</p>	<p>Just to keep you posted regarding the Parishes/Archdiocesan programme of looking to the future. The stage we are at now is that the Archbishop has asked Pastoral Area Councils to look at how best pastoral care can be provided for the next five to ten years within their own pastoral area. St Andrew's & St Joseph's Pastoral Area Council will meet on 4th April to discuss this, and any proposals which emerge are to be submitted to the Archbishop by 19th May. We'll keep you fully advised. With the falling number of practising Catholics, the current shortage of priests, and with a vocations dearth, the Archbishop is undoubtedly faced with having to take tough and difficult decisions. Do keep him and the Archdiocese in your prayers.</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: 21st April, 12th May, 9th & 16th June 10a.m. Mass.</p>	<p>First Holy Communion will be on Sunday 19th May at 12 Noon. Save the date: For all the First Communicants and their families, there will be a Mass of Thanksgiving at 10a.m. on Sunday 9th June followed by a big First Holy Communion party.</p>
<p><i>Before receiving Holy Communion, we are asked to make some act of reverence such as a bow.</i></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 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</p>
<p>Our soup-run volunteers collect donations every evening from M & 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 - veronicamcl@sky.com.</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 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.</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>	