

St Monica's Church

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Parish Priest: Father Ghislain B. Mulumanzi

6th Sunday of the Year B 11th February, 2024 Holy Mass & Services

Mon - Fri: 10am Saturday: 10am, 4pm (Vigil) Sunday: 10am, 12 Noon & 5pm Children's Liturgy 12 Noon Mass Eucharistic Adoration: -Mon – Sat 9am – 9.55am Divine Mercy Novena: Mon 2pm Confessions: Mon - Sun 9.30am – 9.55am Baptisms & Marriage: - To arrange a baptism or marriage please contact Father Ghislain

Weekly Collection

Please support your Parish through the weekly collection, our income relies solely on the donations of our parishioners. <u>Last week's collection</u> First Collection: £980.05 Building Fund: £751.68 There will be a second collection next weekend for our Building Fund. Thank you for your generosity.

500 Club Winners!

1st Prize C Anderson (418)
2nd Prize D McCall (55)
3rd Price J Cope (225)

Children Readers Needed!

We are looking for some of the children in our parish to read at all the masses on the weekend of 3rd /4th March. If you are interested in helping, please speak to Father Ghislain.

Offertory Collection

A sincere thank you to all who contribute to the parish finance, both through the weekly collection or Direct Debit with the bank. Our new Bank Account details are as follows:

Account Name: St Monica's Coatbridge Sort Code: 80-12-97 Account Number: 10247563

Please keep in your prayers

Sick: Ann & John McShane & Family, Linda Webb, Isobel Reilly, Carol McGuinness, Pauline O'Rourke, Anne Marie Snodden, James Donnelly, Patricia McGhee, Kelly Noble, Michael McGarrity, Sadie McBride, Mary Torbett, Sharon, Elizabeth McKenna, Alex Cooper, Sr Kathleen Owens; Ann Smith, Helen Smith, Alice Kilmurry, Danny Dick, Peter Alexander, Ann McAlinden, Mary Cunningham, Patricia McGhee, Margaret Wallace, Irene Leckie, Kay McDonagh, Daniel McAuley, Mary Glasgow, John Slevin, Cathie Wilson, Angela Quigley, Matthew Miller, Carrie Miller, Andrew Maxwell, Hugh Kelly, Kerry Marshall; John Paul Devlin, Caroline Miller; Carrie Miller, Mathew Miller, Maria Bolton, John Paul Devlin, Thomas Lally, Marion Moran, Sadie Harkin

<u>RIP</u>: A Requiem Mass will be celebrated for the repose of the soul of Edward (Eddy) McMahon on Friday 16th February at 10am. His remains will be received into the church on Thursday 15th February at 6pm. Kevin McGoldrick

Month's Mind: Betty O'Hagan, Stephen Henry, John & Bridie Docherty, John & Thomas Finnigan, Cathie Seggie, Kristopher Toye, Baby Victoria McCann, Sammy Marshall Snr , Frank & Agnes Wilson, George McKenna, William, Margaret, Patrick, Agnes, Helen & Teresa Docherty, Joseph, James & Peter Silvestro, Alex & David Thain, Anna & Joseph Pearson, Jenny Wright, Margaret & Andrew McKinlay, Anna, Brian & Joseph Tierney, Agnes &William McAuley, Rab Bannen

<u>Anniversaries:</u> Catherine Smith, Mary Boyle, Eddie McGonigal, Elizabeth Marshall, Cathy Finnigan; Elizabeth Silvestro.

Birthday Mass: Billy McAiveen

Please also remember the souls who have no-one to pray for them.

Sunday Readings

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel (36:24-28)

The Lord says this: I am going to take you from among the nations and gather you together from all the foreign countries, and bring you home to your own land. I shall pour clean water over you and you will be cleansed; I shall cleanse you of all your defilement and all your idols. I shall give you a new heart, and put a new spirit in you; I shall remove the heart of stone from your bodies and give you a heart of flesh instead. I shall put my spirit in you, and make you keep my laws and sincerely respect my observances. You will live in the land which I gave your ancestors. You shall be my people and I will be your God. **The word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm (12:2-6)

Response: With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

Truly God is my salvation, I trust, I shall not fear. For the Lord is my strength, my song, he became my saviour. With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. **R/**

Give thanks to the Lord, give praise to his name! Make his mighty deeds known to the peoples, declare the greatness of his name. **R/**

Sing a psalm to the Lord for he has done glorious deeds, make them known to all the earth!

People of Zion, sing and shout for joy for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel. **R/**

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans (6:3-5)

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised, we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life. If in union with Christ we have imitated his death, we shall also imitate him in his resurrection.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, **alleluia**. Lord you really are the saviour of the world; Give me the living water, so that I may never get thirsty. **Alleluia**.

Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. 7:37-39

Jesus cried out: 'If any man is thirsty, let him come to me! Let the man come and drink who believes in me!' As scripture says: From his breast shall flow fountains of living water. He was speaking of the Spirit which those who believed in him were to receive. **The Gospel** of the Lord.

Wishing you a Holy and Peaceful Sunday

Sacrament Preparation - Children's Liturgy

Children from P1 to P4 are encouraged to attend the Children's Liturgy at the 12pm every Sunday. The children in P6 & P7 should remain inside the church and attend the mass like the rest of the congregation.

If you are planning to have your child, make their Sacrament this year, please bring your attendance at mass sheet with you to mass to be signed. <u>These</u> <u>sheets will be collected</u> by the Parish Priest to determine who qualifies to make their Sacrament when the time comes.

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Short term Pledge for Lent.

There has been a particularly good response over the last number of years, we would like to encourage as many as possible to consider taking the 'Short Term Pledge for Lent and to recite the prayer. The prayer card can be downloaded as the Pioneer website

www.pioneer.scot

SAINT MONICA'S SOCIAL EVENT

"PALAIS NIGHT"; MUSIC (50'S, 60'S, 70'S, 80'S) BY TOTAL IMPACT; **DATE**: FRIDAY 23RD FEBRUARY TIME: 7PM – LATE; TICKETS: £5.00 (incl. Sausage roll/pie); TICKETS NOW ON SALE (approximately 30 left). Any donations to raffles much appreciated.



SAINT PATRICK'S VARIETY CONCERT

DATE: 11TH MARCH @ 7.30PM; VENUE: ROYAL CONCERT HALL TICKETS: £25.00. If interested please put your name on the list at the back of the Church. A bus will be laid on for this event if we can get 50 people but this may be shared with other Parishes.

Wellspring Project

Mary - the Fountain and Wellspring of Salvation

This week we launch Wellspring. We hope our diocesan vision of Church, is one which you will help to grow around the message of the Gospel, forming us as disciples willing to share our faith and renew our parish communities.

'Imagine a Church...' is the beginning of the Wellspring Vision. It is an invitation to hope, pray and work for the church which it describes in which all people will find a home and grow as disciples of the Lord. Today we seek the intercession of 'Our Lady, the Fountain and Wellspring of Salvation' that the Wellspring project will be a new springtime in the life of our diocese and that it will be a source of new graces.

Our Parish Assembly will take place on Wednesday 28th February from 7-8.30pm in the hall to reflect on Vision, Missions and Parish Renewal. <u>I would encourage as</u> <u>many people as possible attend this.</u> This is an opportunity for everyone to share ideas on how we move forward in our Parish.