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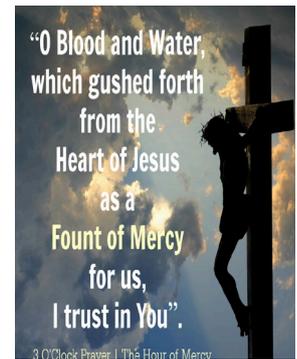
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4th Sunday of Easter B 21st April 2024

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

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- First Reading: Acts 4: 8-12
- Responsorial Psalm: **The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone**
- Second Reading: 1 Jn 3: 1-2
- Gospel: Jn 10: 11-18

Weekly Collection

Please support your Parish through the weekly collection, our income relies solely on the donations of our parishioners.

Last week's collection

First Collection: £854.41

White Flower Appeal: £406.74

There is a second collection next weekend for the Building Fund

Thank you for your generosity.



Sick: Mary Cunningham, Sr Kathleen Owens, Peter Alexander, Alice Gallagher, Kay McDonagh, Carol McGuinness, Caroline Miller, Matt Miller, John, Ann McShane & Family, Anne Wedlock McCann

Month's Mind: Gerard Joseph Murphy, James, Margaret, John & Anne Marie Deigan, Mr & Mrs Deigan & Brian, Mr & Mrs Tommy Deigan, Mr & Mrs Deigan Snr & Jnr, Mr & Mrs Prost, Mr & Mrs Fagan, Mr & Mrs Frank Grant & Marie, Ryan Brown, Jack Gill, Margaret McAvoy, Francis, Elizabeth, Mary, Margaret, Rose & Anne McGeehan, Catherine & James McDonald, Sheila Kennedy, Charlotte Costello, Moira Skillin, Lila Williamson, Ann Sood, Hugh Kelly

Anniversaries: Claire McMullen, Mary Hagan

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

Reflection: 4th Sunday of Easter B.

This Day is dedicated in a particular way to imploring from the Father the gift of holy vocations for the building up of his Kingdom: "Ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest" (Lk 10:2). Prayer - as we all know - is more about listening to God than about talking to him. The Lord speaks to our heart, and he wants to find it open, sincere and generous. His Word became flesh in Jesus Christ, who reveals to us the entire will of the Father. In this present year, devoted to prayer and preparation for the Jubilee, all of us are called to rediscover the inestimable blessing of our ability to enter into heartfelt dialogue with the Lord and thus become pilgrims of hope. For "prayer is the first strength of hope. You pray and hope grows, it moves forward. I would say that prayer opens the door to hope. Hope is there, but by my prayer I open the door" (Catechesis, 20 May 2020).

Vocation to the Priesthood or Permanent Diaconate?

Any man who is considering a calling/vocation to the Priesthood or the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Motherwell should make himself known in the first instance to his Parish Priest. His contact details will then be forwarded to the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Charles O'Farrell, for those considering Priesthood, or to Deacon Bill McMillan, for those considering the Diaconate.

If anyone wishes to receive information or encouragement about discerning their vocation, contact can be made with Fr O'Farrell at frfarrell@rcdom.org.uk, or Deacon McMillan at deaconmcmillan@rcdom.org.uk.

Men of St. Joseph In St Monica's

We would like to establish the men of St Joseph, which is an association of Christian men, united under the Catholic Church, who meet weekly to pray together and encourage each other to be spiritual leaders of their families. The purpose of men of St Joseph is to inspire and to be spiritual leader in their homes, become stronger in our relationship with Christ and in our faith so we can help get ourselves and our families to heaven.

What's in it for you?

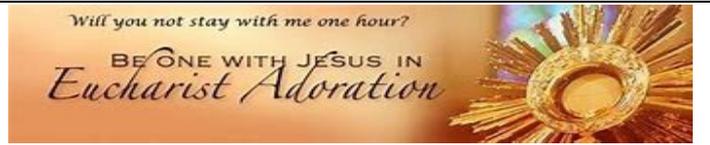
You will Find support to grow your faith in gaining new wisdom or in becoming a better man?

Strengthen your marriage: want valuable wisdom on how to strengthen your relationship with your wife! Or need to know what the catholic church teaches? Or how to live a life that is Christ centred?

Foster family values: Need encouragement to discover new ways to engage yourself, your wife or your children to live and understand your faith every day?

Engage your community: Looking for ways to become an active participant in your Catholic community or to aid others by showing them how to live the Catholic faith and how it can help them live happier and holier lives?

We know every man needs support to attain these goals. The Men of St. Joseph create an environment where you can thrive, grow, and become the spiritual leader God intended you to be. If you are interested, start by attending a meeting which we will launch on **Tuesday 30th, at 6.30pm in the Hall.** on St Joseph's life and conclude with the Adoration.



Our church is be **open every Monday from 11am to 6pm** for anyone who wishes to come along for Private Prayer & Adoration.

If you can spare a hour to keep watch over the church during this time, please add your name to the schedule in the church porch.

There will Holy Rosary at 6pm each Monday to conclude and I would encourage you to come along and join us.



Next weekend we will distributing a parish survey for everyone to complete. We would encourage everyone to take the time to complete the survey and thank you in advance for your co-operation.

There will be a meeting on Wednesday **1st May at 7.00pm** in the Church Hall and everyone who is currently on a Parish Committee or involved in a group are invited to attend.

500 Club Winners!

- 1st Prize G Crawford (118)
- 2nd Prize S Docherty (88)
- 3rd Prize E Gillick (2)



In preparation for our First Holy Communion Service on 19th May, I am looking for some help in the church grounds over the coming weeks to do a general tidy up. If you can spare some time to come and help, it will be greatly appreciated.



If you know of anyone who can play the organ or any other instrument and would be interested in helping us at our weekend services, please ask them to speak to Father Ghislain.



There will be Rosary, Adoration and Reflection on the Holy Spirit on Friday 10th, Monday 13th, Tuesday 14th, Wednesday 15th, Thursday 16th & Friday 17th May at **6.30pm.**

I would invite everyone to attend this in the lead up to Pentecost on the 19th May.

Family Mass
Sunday 5th May at 12 Noon

We do not attend mass for our own personal fulfilment, instead we attend to praise God and give thanks for his blessings. The St. Monica's Family Mass Ministry offers parents and children the opportunity to actively participate in the Mass. Participating helps children and adults develop an understanding and appreciation for the Mass and Catholic traditions. Since every family is different and unique, there are several opportunities to participate in our parish Family Mass.

We encourage children to participate in readings, in the procession of Bread and Wine and singing. Those who want to read, please talk to Fr Ghislain to get the reading.

I look forward to welcoming all our families in the Parish to this Mass.



Mass
for the
Anointing of the Sick

We will be having a mass for the sick on Saturday 1st June at 12 Noon. I am looking for people to volunteer to transport anyone who would like to attend this mass, but is unable to get here by themselves. There is a list in the Church porch for any volunteers who would like to help.



Monday

10am Holy Mass

11am - 6pm Church is open
for Private Prayer &
Adoration

6pm Holy Rosary

Tuesday

10am Holy Mass

Wednesday

10am Holy Mass

Thursday

10am Holy Mass

Friday

10am Holy Mass

Saturday

10am Holy Mass

4pm Vigil Mass

Sunday

10am, 12 noon & 5pm
Holy Mass

Have a lovely weekend!