# St Monica's Parish Bulletin

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SUNDAY MASSES: Vigils at 4pm & 5.30pm ,10am (livestream) 12 Noon & 5pm WEEKDAY MASSES: 10am

CONFESSIONS: 30min before the mass in the sacristy Baptisms: Speak to Fr Ghislain

Marriages: Please speak to Fr Ghislain. Please note 6 months 'notice is required.

Funerals: Elizabeth Tominey. Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10am

Ann Green: Tuesday 14th June, 10am

These masses are for mourners only. No public mass at this time.

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# **The Most Holy Trinity - B**

First Reading:Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40

Responsorial Psalm: Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own

Second Reading: Romans 8:14-17

Gospel Matthew 28:16-20

#### **Collections**

Offertory Collection: £702.86 Building Fund: £59.47

There will be a special collection for the Building Fund next weekend.

#### **500 Club**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: E Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: M Clark 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize:B Burns

# Communicants and Confirmandis

Congratulations to our children who made their first communion and those who received the sacrament of confirmation. We are looking forward to seeing them at weekend masses with the support of their families. We have lovely cards and gifts available in the stall.

#### **Corpus Christi. Eucharistic Adoration.**

In preparation of the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, Sunday, we will have 30 min of adoration from Monday to Friday at 6pm and on Sunday after 12 noon mass. We encourage our young children who received their First Communion and Confirmation to join us.

#### **Sick and Retired Priests**

There is a special collection for sick and retired priest this weekend 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup>. Please, below see the letter from the Bishop Toal for details.



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# Rt Rev. Joseph Toal STB KC\*HS Bishop of Motherwell

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I hope this finds you and your families well

When I wrote to you on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020, I asked for your financial support for the Diocese in the year ahead, particularly in regard to the care of the clergy. A small number of people responded very generously at the time and £20,000 was donated. I thank those who made these significant contributions. Through the month of May, the special collection in our parishes is for the same purpose, more precisely for **Sick and Retired Priests**, and I seek the support of the whole Diocesan community – contributions can be made in the churches or through Payacharity (box for Sick and Retired Priests) on the Diocesan website – <a href="www.rcdom.org.uk">www.rcdom.org.uk</a>. I thank you in advance for your offerings, and ask your prayers also for our elderly clergy, particularly those in residential care.

As Bishop President of SCIAF I also wish to thank all you have responded to this year's "Wee Box" Appeal. Some priests have told me of the generous response through the collections in their parishes and it is very edifying to hear of your kindness to the poor in South Sudan in the midst of our own difficulties. As Catholics we do respond willingly when we hear of the needs of our poorer brothers and sisters in other parts of the world and it is uplifting to hear that we do not forget or ignore them at present. The deadline for making contributions to this year's SCIAF Lenten is May 11<sup>th</sup> – any monies received before that day will be doubled through the Aid Match Scheme.

With my prayers and best wishes to you and your families,

Yours in Christ,

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#### Monday Divine Mercy Novena and Exposition.

We are looking forward to resuming the Divine Mercy prayer in the parish. If you are interested in joining, please speak to Fr Ghislain.

### Why you don't start The Legion of Mary Group in St Monica's

This lay apostolic association of Catholics who, with the sanction of the Church and under the powerful leadership of Mary Immaculate, Mediatrix of All Graces, serve the Church and their neighbour on a voluntary basis in about 170 countries. With the approval and support of the Popes and a great many Bishops, Priests and Religious, as well as the prayers and efforts of legionaries, the Legion, by the grace of God, has grown into a worldwide organisation with several million members. It would be great to have this organisation in our parish community.

#### St Monica's Foodbank.

Please, support St Monica's foodbank to assist those in need in our parish. Any donation could be left at the back of the church or contact Clare Thain. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

#### Thank You

A big thank you to our stewards who helped for the celebration of sacraments for our children. Many thanks to everyone who also helped in the garden.

# Help needed to tidy up the Church Grounds.

There is much work needed in the church grounds. Can you spare some time to come along and help with the upkeep of the grounds? Please speak to Fr Ghislain after any of the masses or simply come along any day and help.

#### **Fundraising**

We are looking for parishioners to come forward with ideas on how we can restart our fundraising for the Building Fund. We hope to establish a committee to plan upcoming events so if you would like to join the committee, please leave your name, and contact details with Fr Ghislain.

#### Please remember in your prayers

<u>Recently Dead:</u> Ann Green, Joan Mitchell, Alan Cameron, Kathleen Wallace, Elizabeth Tominey, Isabella Devine



<u>Sick:</u> Niamh Cassidy, Ann & John McShane, Linda Webb, Annie Carr, Michael McAdams, Nicolas Hardy, Mary Cope, Joseph Cope

Months Mind: Sadie Slowey, Patsy Robertson, Jenny Docherty, Margaret & James Smith, Mary Thomson, Eddie & Annie McQuillan, Agnes McQuillan, Eddie McQuillan Jnr, Frank & Annie McCue, Mary Robertson, Margaret Tiffney, Mary Crozier, Christine Thomson, George & Cathy Thomson, Walter Clarke, Alf, Flo & Brian Longyear, John Brady, John Duffy, John Donohue, Meg & Annie Smith, May & Jimmy McLaughlin, Kathleen & Peter Dolan, Mattie, Tommy & Thomas Collins, Tilly & Marie Clarke, Jim Boyle, Michael McMurray, Colette Kelly, Margaret & Willie Reilly, Patrick & Mary McMurray, The McMurray Family

<u>Anniversaries</u>: Jimmy Docherty, Allyn McCluskie, Joseph Thomson, Alice McGeechan, Fr John McMurray

Baptism: We welcome Mairead Hill to our Parish Community

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

Services this week		
Monday	9.30am	Holy Rosary
Feast Visitation of	10am	Holy Mass
B.V.Mary	6pm	Adoration
Tuesday	10am	Holy Mass
Memorial. St		
Justin	6pm	Adoration
Wednesday	10am	Holy Mass
	6pm	Adoration
Thursday.	10am	Holy Mass, Funeral E. Tominey
Memory. St		
Charles Lwanga	6pm	Adoration
Friday	10am	Holy Mass
	6pm	Adoration
Saturday	9.30am	Holy Rosary
Memorial, St	10am	Holy Mass
Boniface	4pm & 5.30pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday	10am, 12 Noon	The Most Holy Body and Blood
Solemnity	& 5pm	of Jesus Christ.