St Monica's Parish Diocese of Motherwell

Charity No. SC01104

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) 20th February 2022

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Church Services

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday-Saturday: 9am-9.55am SUNDAY MASSES: Vigil at 4pm 10am (livestream) 12 Noon & 5pm

> WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday – Saturday 10am DIVINE MERCY NOVENA: Monday 2pm CONFESSIONS: 30min before the Mass in the sacristy

> > BAPTISMS: Please speak to Fr Ghislain MARRIAGES: Please speak to Fr Ghislain. Please note 6 months' notice is required.

Parish Hall: Contact Kelly McColl on 07464254377 or email stmonicashall@outlook.com

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First Reading: 1 Sm 26:2.7-9,12-13,22-23

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is compassion and love

Second Reading: 1 Cor 15: 45-49

Gospel: Lk 6: 27-38

7th Sunday Year C- Reflection

The various components that make up the Parish are called to communion and unity. When each part recognises its complementary role in service of the community, on the one hand, we see the fulfilment of the collaborative ministry of the Parish Priest with his Assistant Priests, while on the other hand, we see how the various charisms of deacons, consecrated men and women and the laity, cooperate in building up the singular body of Christ (cf. 1 Co 12:12).

The Parish is a community gathered together by the Holy Spirit to announce the Word of God and bring new children of God to birth in the baptismal font. Assembled by the pastor, the Parish celebrates the memorial of the passion, death, and resurrection of the Lord, bearing witness to faith in charity, living in a permanent state of mission, whilst ensuring that no one is excluded from the salvific, life-giving message. Pope Francis expressed it thus: "The parish is not an outdated institution; precisely because it possesses great flexibility, it can assume quite different contours depending on the openness and missionary creativity of the pastor and the community. While certainly not the only institution which evangelises, if the parish proves capable of self-renewal and constant adaptability, it continues to be "the Church living in the midst of the homes of her sons and daughters". This presumes that it really is in contact with the homes and the lives of its people and does not become a useless structure out of touch with people or a self-absorbed group made up of a chosen few. We must admit, though, that the call to review and renew our parishes has not yet sufficed to bring them nearer to people, to make them environments of living communion and participation, and to make them completely mission-oriented".

SCIAF

The SCIAF Wee Box is available at the back of the church. Your donations this lent will help to tackle the Climate Emergency and the devasting hunger this causes for families in the world's poorest places.



Offertory Collection: £817.31
Building Fund Collection: £96.58
Many thanks for your great generosity and support

There will be a special collection this weekend 19/20 February for our Church Building Fund

Weekly Offering

If you wish to donate your weekly offering to the parish online, below are the parish bank details.

Account Name: RCDM St Monica's Sort Code: 83 17 13
Account Number: 00163062

Ministers of the Eucharist

Are encouraged again to visit the sick and take Holy Communion to them. Please ensure you follow Covid safety measures.

Ignatian Online Lent Retreat

The online retreat is open to all and this year celebrates the 500 years since the conversion of St. Ignatius Loyola and is based on his life. Each day of Lent the retreat has an episode from the life of Ignatius, Music, Art, a reading from Scripture and a reflection. Participants can join an online group for a weekly meeting with others to share the fruits of their prayer.

The link to the website is https://iscglasgow.co.uk/lent22.html



Gift Aid is a government scheme which allows our parish to reclaim tax paid on weekly offertory donations.

We would encourage anyone in our parish who pays tax to join this scheme as it means our parish will receive an extra 25p for every £1 donated through your offertory donation.

If you are interested in joining the scheme, please collect a form from the back of the church and return it as soon as possible.

500 CLUB WINNERS

1st Prize No.228 J McAlinden 2nd Prize No. 96 R McPhee 3rd Prize No. 142 D McManus

"Palais Night"

In aid of Fr Bernard – Zambia Projects

Venue: Bank Social Club

Date: Monday 28 March 7pm - late

Tickets: £8.00 (Inc. Pie & Peas)
Available from Isabella/Alex
01236 428493/07967112568

Day to Day Reading

Booklets containing daily readings during lent are available in the church stall for £1.00 only.

Please remember in your prayers

<u>Recently Dead:</u> Elizabeth Duffy, Bernadette Ballantyne, Anthony Charnley (Reception of his body into the Church on Thursday 24/02 at 6pm), John McGuire, Ricky Kane

<u>Sick:</u> Niamh Cassidy, Ann & John McShane & Family, Linda Webb, Michael McAdams, Nicolas Hardy, Isobel Reilly, Gerald McDonald, Carol McGuinness, Pauline O'Rourke, Janey Mullen, Ben McGovern, Anne Marie Snodden, Catherine Donnelly, James Donnelly, Alice Lindsay, Patricia McGhee, Bernadette Homer, Betty McKenna, Bernadette Homer, Kelly Noble

Month's Mind: William, Margaret, Patrick Agnes & Helen 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, Margaret McAuley, Mary Thomson, Edward & Annie McQuillan, Agnes McQuillan, Frank & Annie McCue, Margaret Tiffney, Mary Crozier, Edward McQuillan, Cathie & George Thomson, Mary Robertson, Walter Clarke, John Donohue, Alf, Flo & Brian Longyear, Betty Haney, John Brady, Meg & Annie Smith, Matthew & Beth Miller, James, Caroline, Elizabeth, Mary, James Jnr, Robert & William McKinley, Bernard, Lily, Liam, John & Brian Loney, John & Bridie Docherty, Francis, Elizabeth, Mary Margaret, Rose & Anne McGeehan, Catherine & James McDonald, Sheila Kennedy, Charlotte Costello, Moira Skillin, Ann Sood, Lila Williamson, Cecilia, Frank & Paul Lennon

<u>Anniversaries</u>: Elizabeth Silvestro, Jim McAuley, Joseph Thomson, Christine Thomson, Eddie McGonigal, Sarah Innes

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

Services this week		
Monday	10am	Requiem Mass for Bernadette Ballantyne
Tuesday Chair of St Peter the Apostle - Feast	10am	Holy Mass
Wednesday St Polycarp - Memorial	10am	Holy Mass
Thursday	10am	Holy Mass
Friday	10am	Requiem Mass for Anthony (Tony) Charnley
Saturday	10am 4pm	Holy Mass Vigil Mass
Sunday 8th Sunday of the Year – C	10am 12 Noon & 5pm	Holy Mass