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19th Sunday in Ordinary Time - C

7 August 2022

Holy Mass (Services marked in **red** will be live streamed)

Mon - Fri:- 10am

Saturday:- 10am, 4pm (Vigil)

Sunday:- 10am, 12 Noon (Children's Liturgy)
& 5pm

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: Wis 18:6-9

Responsorial Psalm: **Happy are the people the Lord has chosen as his own**

Second Reading: Hb 11:1-2-8-19

Gospel: Lk 12:32-48

Baptism: We welcome Shae Michael & Arrian Elizabeth Toal who are to be Baptised this weekend. We implore God's blessing upon them and their family as we welcome them into our parish community.

Recently Deceased: Pamela Brondent, Denise (McCluskie) Lewis

Sick: Niamh Cassidy, Ann & John McShane & Family, Linda Webb, Isobel Reilly, Carol McGuinness, Pauline O'Rourke, Janey Mullen, Anne Marie Snodden, James Donnelly, Patricia McGhee, Bernadette Homer, Kelly Noble, Michael McGarrity, Sadie McBride, Mary Torbett, Sharon, Elizebeth McKenna, Alex Cooper, Mary Toal (Bishop Toal's mother)

Month's Mind: Frank & Agnes Wilson, James, Elizabeth & Sadie Prunty, Dan Cassidy, Jim & Margaret McAuley, Bernard, Lily, Liam & John Loney, Betty O'Hagan, Michael McAuley

Anniversaries: Catherine Frame, Janette Cassidy, Brian Loney, Sean Jordan, Jerry Jordan

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

500 Club Winners

1st Prize 96 R McPhee

2nd Prize 9 A McKenzie

3rd Prize 43 N O'Neill

19th Sunday C.

Abraham is the great Old Testament model of faith. At the word of God he uprooted himself. Leaving his home and people, and set out for a land God promised to show him, where he would become the father of a great nation. It was a journey into the unknown. The only compass he had was faith in God. We are spiritual descendants of Abraham. We prove ourselves true children of Abraham by imitating his faith. Life is full of uncertainty. Like Abraham, we are journeying into the unknown. We literally don't know what lies around the next bend on the road of life. Yet, in spite of frustrations and failures, we journey on-pilgrims homesick for a place where our hopes will be realised, and where our true life will begin.

Diocesan Events

The **Diocesan Vocation Mass** will be held in the Cathedral on Tuesday 30th August at 7pm.

The **Motherwell Lourdes Day** with the Motherwell Lourdes Hospitality and the Knights of St Columba will be at Carfin on Sunday September 4th with Mass at 3pm. The Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated during Mass.

The **National Pilgrimage to Carfin** will be on Sunday 25 September with mass at 3pm followed by a Rosary Torchlight Procession. The Pilgrimage marks the Centenary of Carfin Grotto and will be in Honour of Our Lady of Lourdes and St Bernadete, whose Relics will arrive at Carfin the day before. Further details can be found in the church porch

Everyone is welcome to attend any of these events.

Garden Fete

Sister of St Peter Claver
57 Motherwell Road
Saturday 20th August 2022
11am to 2 pm
All proceeds for the Missions

Weekly Collection

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

Last Week's Collection - £763.22
Building Fund - £675.67

There will be a second collection next weekend for our Building Fund

Beginning Experience

The Beginning Experience are holding a weekend for those who find themselves suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or widowhood. The weekend will take place from 30th September - 2nd October 2022 at the Conforti Centre, Coatbridge

For details contact Catherine on 0131 665 3383 or email beginningexperiencescotland@hotmail.com
Completed applications must be returned by 16th September 2022

Parish Social Event

The Dubliner will be performing in our hall on 29th October. Tickets are on sale now for £6.

Please contact Kelly McColl via the Church Hall Facebook page to book your tickets. There is only a limited amount of tickets still available.

Marriage -Digging deeper

Canon Law Regarding Marriage

Can. 1055 1. The matrimonial covenant, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life, and which is ordered by its nature to the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring, has been raised by Christ the Lord to the dignity of a sacrament between the baptised.

2. For this reason, a valid matrimonial contract cannot exist between the baptised without it being by that fact a sacrament.

Can. 1056 The essential properties of marriage are unity and indissolubility, which in Christian marriage obtain a special firmness by reason of the sacrament.

Can. 1057 1. The consent of the parties, legitimately manifested between persons qualified by law, makes marriage; no human power is able to supply this consent.

2. Matrimonial consent is an act of the will by which a man and a woman mutually give and accept each other through an irrevocable covenant in order to establish marriage.

Can. 1058 All persons who are not prohibited by law can contract marriage.

Can. 1059 Even if only one party is Catholic, the marriage of Catholics is governed not only by divine law but also by canon law, without prejudice to the competence of civil authority concerning the merely civil effects of the same marriage.

Can. 1060 Marriage possesses the favour of law; therefore, in a case of doubt, the validity of a marriage must be upheld until the contrary is proven.

Can. 1061 1. A valid marriage between the baptised is called *ratum tantum* if it has not been consummated; it is called *ratum et consummatum* if the spouses have performed between themselves in a human fashion a conjugal act which is suitable in itself for the procreation of offspring, to which marriage is ordered by its nature and by which the spouses become one flesh.

2. After a marriage has been celebrated, if the spouses have lived together consummation is presumed until the contrary is proven.

3. An invalid marriage is called putative if at least one party celebrated it in good faith, until both parties become certain of its nullity.

Can. 1062 1. A promise of marriage, whether unilateral or bilateral, which is called an engagement, is governed by the particular law established by the conference of bishops, after it has considered any existing customs and civil laws.

2. A promise to marry does not give rise to an action to seek the celebration of marriage; an action to repair damages, however, does arise if warranted.

Questions regarding catholic marriage

Does the Catholic Church recognise a civil marriage?

An unconsummated marriage can be dissolved by the Pope, as Vicar of Christ. Accordingly, “the Catholic Church does not recognize or endorse civil divorce of a natural marriage, as of a sacramental marriage “.

Can a civil marriage be blessed in church?

What makes a marriage invalid in the Catholic Church?

Canon Law lists the following impediment impediments:” the simple vows of virginity, perfect chastity, not marrying, entering Sacred Orders, or embracing the religious state; relationship arising out of legal adoption in those countries where such relationship renders marriage unlawful but not invalid.

What is the difference between civil marriage and Catholic marriage?

The main difference between marrying in a religious or civil ceremony is that a religious ceremony is about being wed in the eyes of God (or whichever deity you believe in), while a civil ceremony is about being wed in the eyes of the law.

Does God recognise civil marriage?

Marriage is a divine institution that can never be broken, even if the husband or wife legally divorce in the civil courts; as long as they are both alive, the Church considers them bound together by God. Holy Matrimony is another name for sacramental marriage.

Is Convalidation a marriage?

The priest or deacon who presides uses the Rite of Marriage to lead the couple in taking the original vows and renewing them in the context of a Catholic ceremony, thus making it a valid marriage in the eyes of the Church.

What is a sacramental marriage?

The Sacrament of Marriage is a lasting commitment of a man and a woman to a lifelong partnership, established for the good of each other and the procreation of their children. The man and woman confer the Sacrament of Marriage upon each other when they express their consent to marry before God and the Church.

Does the Catholic Church allow divorce for adultery?

7:10; Eph. 5:22, 23). We deplore the evils of divorce and remarriage. We regard adultery as the only scripturally justifiable grounds for divorce; and the party guilty of adultery has by his or her act forfeited membership in the church.

Is divorce a sin in the Catholic Church?

Catholics who receive a civil divorce are not excommunicated, and the church recognises that the divorce procedure is necessary to settle civil matters, including custody of children. But divorced Catholics are not allowed to remarry until their earlier marriage has been nullified.