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<u>Thirty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – C</u> <u>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</u> <u>20th November, 2022</u>

Holy Mass (Services marked in red will be live Streamed)

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

Mass Liturgy - Year C

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First Reading: Sm 5: 1-3 Responsorial Psalm: *I rejoiced when I heard them say: "Let us go to God's house"*

Second Reading:Col 1: 12-20 Gospel: Lk 23:35-43

Weekly Collection

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

Last Week's Collection - £868.12 Next weekend special collection for Catholic Education. Thank you for your generosity

> 500 Club Winners 1st Prize No.122, K. McCall 2nd Prize No. 131, M. Cunningham 3rd Prize No. B. Mc Mullen

Saints of the week

Mon. 21 Nov: Presentation of Mary. This celebration commemorates the presentation of the child Mary in the temple at Jerusalem when she was three. The feast symbolizes the consecration of her life to the Lord.

Tues. 22nd Nov: St Cecilia, a roman martyr of the third century. She converted her husband and his brother to Christianity, and they were martyred before her. She is the patron saint of musicians.

Thurs 14th. Nov. St Andrew Dung Lac and companions: There are 117 martyrs in this group and although they died at different times, they were all canonized by Pope John Paul II on June 19, 1988. Of the group, 96 were Vietnamese, 11 were Spaniards, and 10 were French. There were 8 bishops, 50 priests and 59 lay Catholics in the group.

Sick: Ann & John McShane & Family, Linda Webb, Isobel Reilly, Carol McGuinness, Pauline O'Rourke, Anne Marie Snodden, James Donnelly, Patricia McGhee, Bernadette Homer, Kelly Noble, Michael McGarrity, Sadie McBride, Mary Torbett, Sharon, Elizebeth McKenna, Alex Cooper, Sr Kathleen Owens, Isabella Sharpe, Linda Webb, Ann Smith

<u>Month's Mind:</u> Robert & Anthony Clarke; James, Elizabeth & John Docherty; Alice Rea; Gary Thomson; Matthew Thomson Jnr; Morag McKeown; John & Bridie Docherty, Eddie McGonigal

Anniversaries:

Mrs Elizabeth Renwick, George & Sarah McKenna; Joseph & Mary Laughlin; Tommy Nancy, Teresa Slaven; Michael & Teresa McCluskey & Sadie, Charlie Trahiar, Isabella Dochety, Francis, Elizabeth. Mary, Margaret, Rose & Anne McGeehan; Catherine & James McDonald; Sheila Kennedy;; Charlotte Costello; Moira Skillin; Lila Williamson; Ann Sood; Mary McKeown; Matthew Thomson, snr; Peter McAlpine.

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

Annual Service in Coltswood Cemetery

Please join us at this year's annual Remembrance Service in **Coltswood Cemetery** today **Sunday 20**th **November at 2.00pm**. This is an opportunity to come together and pray for all our loved ones whose resting place is in this cemetery.

Remembrance Mass

Remembrance Mass for our departed parishioners will take place on **Thursday 24th November 2022 at 7pm**. This is when we particularly remember all our parishioners who have died in the last year.

60 years ordination, Fr Montesi. Fr. Eugenio Montesi, sx is celebrating his 60th anniversary of ordination to priesthood. The Xavierian Missionaries are inviting friends to join us on Friday, December 2nd at 7pm in St. Mary's Whifflet for a Mass of Thanksgiving for this special celebration. Afterwards, there is a gathering at the Conforti Centre on Calder Avenue. For more information please call, during office hours, 01233 606364 or email <u>coatbridge@xavs.org</u>

First Reconciliation & First Communion enrolment mass.

Children due to make the sacraments of the above sacraments are invited to enrolment mass next Sunday 27th November at 12 noon mass.

Safeguarding: Letter from Bishop Toal:

Dear Brothers and Sisters, I offer my annual letter on Safeguarding in the Diocese of Motherwell.

An important development in recent months has been the establishment of the Scottish Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency, the independent body which now has responsibility to oversee the work of Safeguarding in the Catholic Church in Scotland. The Agency is chaired by Lady Rita Rae KC and there are by five other directors on the Board. Mr Paul Donaldson has been employed as Director of Safeguarding and Helena Rameckers as Director of Safeguarding Training. We wish both the Board and the Staff well and look forward to benefitting from their guidance as we continue to develop the Safeguarding Service here in the Diocese of Motherwell.

We are grateful to our Safeguarding staff in Motherwell - Veronica McKenna, the Safeguarding Adviser, and Norma Brand, the Safeguarding Coordinator. They continue to work hard in supporting the work of Safeguarding in our Parishes, Religious Communities, and Diocesan Groups and Associations. They have produced the On-line Training Programme, which is available for new volunteers in particular, but also for others to update their knowledge and skills. This should be of great benefit, particularly as Covid has disrupted the previous practise of gathering in groups to do the Safeguarding Training. Our staff continue to be available in the Office to guide all who seek assistance in organising Safeguarding in parishes and other groups. Please get in touch therefore if you need help or wish to ask any questions.

I thank the Parish Coordinators also and all volunteers, recognising that your efforts in protecting the young and the vulnerable are a crucial part of the Church's life and witness.

An important part of Safeguarding work is caring for survivors of abuse and every effort is made by the Diocese to support those who have come forward to report what has happened to them, however long ago that may have been. We are aware also there may be others who have not reported what they have experienced and I address the following statement to them:

The Diocese of Motherwell wishes to encourage anyone who has experienced abuse by clergy or church personnel, or who have any Safeguarding concerns to come forward and speak to the Diocesan Safeguarding team. You can contact them either by emailing, writing, or calling the Diocesan Advisor. Every effort will be made to offer assistance. We have a mandatory Duty of Care, which requires all allegations of abuse, including non-recent abuse, to be referred to Police Scotland.

Email: veronicamckenna@rcdom.org.uk

Address: Private and Confidential, Safeguarding Advisor, Diocesan Centre, Coursington Road, Motherwell, ML1 1PP. Tel: 01698 269114 (Safeguarding option).

With my prayers and best wishes, Yours in Christ, + Jacourteel

Youth Safeguarding Forum:

The new Scottish Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency is developing a forum for young Catholic adults. This forum will in the first instance look at the current safeguarding training and resources for people in youth ministries, discuss ideas which have been proposed for development, and ultimately create a comprehensive package of training and resources for ministries involving young people. We will be joined at some online meetings by experts on particular aspects of Church teaching such as Theology of the Body and Catholic Social Teaching, to ensure all work created is informed by our faith and in line with our safeguarding instruction 'In God's Image', which can be downloaded at scssa.org.uk/In-Gods-Image-v2.

If you are between the ages of 18 and 25 and would be interested in joining this forum, or would like to know more, please contact Helena Rameckers by emailing <u>training@scssa.org.uk</u> or phoning 07394 862 279 by Friday, 9th December.

Please note that we also have a small number of spaces on the forum for older adults experienced in youth ministry!