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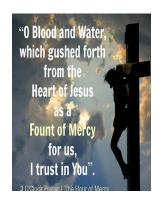
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<u>Transfiguration of the Lord – Year A. 6th August, 2023</u> Holy Mass & Services

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

Mass Liturgy - Year A Parish Mass Book, Page 104

• First Reading: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14

 Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is king, most high above all the earth

• Second Reading: Pt 1:16-19

• Gospel: Mt 7 17:1-9

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 :£808.78 Building Fund: £527.76

There is a second collection next weekend for our Building Fund

Thank you for your generosity.

Mary Toal

I regret to advise you of the death Mrs Mary Toal, mother of Bishop Toal.

We extend our sincere sympathies, condolences and prayers to Bishop Joe and his family at this sad time. Mrs Toal's Funeral Mass will take place on Thursday 10th August at 1pm in St Margaret's Roy Bridge.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

Please keep in your prayers

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, Elizabeth McKenna, Alex Cooper, Sr Kathleen Owens, Ann Smith, Helen Smith, Margaret Gallagher, Alice Kilmurry, Danny Dick, Peter Alexander, Ann McAlinden, Mary Cunningham, Patricia McGhee, Margaret Wallace, Irene Leckie, Kay McDonagh, Daniel McAuley, Mary Glasgow, Jamie McCormack, John Slevin, Cathie Wilson, Angela Quiguly, Mathew Miller, Carrie Miller,

RIP: Angela Lilley (Requiem Mass Saturday 12th August at 10am)

Month's Mind: Frank & Agnes Wilson, Sarah Marie McShane, Joseph McShane, Fred Scott, Anna Scott, Chris Scott, Betty O'Hagan, Margaret & Jim McAuley, Frances, Pearl & Dennis Quinn, Ita Bolton, Sam & Ann Black, Bernard, Lily, & Liam Loney, John & Ann Loney, Jim Kane, Robert, Anthony & Isabella Clarke, James, John, Elizabeth & Isabella Docherty, Alice Rea, Anthony McGowan

Anniversary: John Fulton, Catherine Frame, Brian Loney, James Harkins

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

The Spiritans/Holy Ghost Fathers Annual 2023 Raffle Draw

Tickets are on sale at the table at the back of the Church

Ticket price £1 each or £5 a book

500 Club Winners!

1st Prize: 16 J O'Grady 2nd Prize: 430 J Charnley 3rd Prize: 449 B Burns

Reflection The Transfiguration

The Transfiguration of Jesus is an event reported by the Synoptic Gospels in which Jesus was transfigured upon a mountain (Matthew 17:1-6, Mark 9:1-8, Luke 9:28-36). Jesus becomes radiant, speaks with Moses and Elijah, and is called "Son" by God. The transfiguration put Jesus on par with the two preeminent figures of Judaism: Moses and Elijah. It also supports his identity as the Son of God.

In keeping with the Messianic secret, Jesus tells the witnesses not to tell others what they saw. The Messianic Secret is a phrase that refers to Jesus having commanded his followers not to reveal to others that he is the Messiah.

The transfiguration, the moment when our Lord Jesus Christ showed His glory and majesty, revealing the whole truth about His existence and nature, Who He was, and His mission. The Son of God, born of the Virgin Mary assumed the flesh and form of Man. On the mountain He revealed Himself and allowed that divinity to shine forth and to show His disciples Who He really is, as not just a mere Man or Prophet, but as God Himself, the Divine Word Incarnate. We believe and worship the Lord Who in His nature is both God and Human.



<u>Beginning Experience</u> Listen, Accompany, Heal

The loss of a loved one through Separation, Divorce or Death, is one of life's most traumatic experience. It can result in unbearable feelings of grief and loneliness.

The Beginning Experience, Scotland Team would like to help.

A weekend away for a lifetime of change. To be held at the Conforti Centre, Coatbridge 29th September – 1st October 2023 For further details phone Louise on 07926 571 004 Email: louise398@gmail.com

Saints of the week

Monday 7th August St Sixths II and Companions:

Pope Sixtus II, of a Greek family became Bishop of Rome and Pope in August 257. His pontificate was brief for, just short of a year later, in 258, he was martyred during the persecution of Christians which took place under the Emperor Valerian.

St Cajetan was born in Vicenza. He became a lawyer and spent some time in the papal court of Julius II in Rome before being ordained a priest. In 1524, he cofounded a Religious Congregation named Theatines. He died in Naples in 1547. He is a patron saint of

Argentina as well as of those who are unemployed and jobseekers.

Tuesday 8th August St Dominic born c.11 70 in Calaruega in Old Castle, Domingo Guzman had a reputation for piety and learning, was made a canon of the church at Osma in 1193. His bishop took him on a political mission to the south of France: there he travelled from place to place, working tirelessly and especially preaching conversion to the people. He established the first house of The Order of Preachers ("the Dominicans").

Wednesday 9th August St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr a Co-Patron of Europe. Edith Stein was a brilliant student who gained her doctorate in philosophy aged 25. She converted to Catholicism aged 31 and became a Carmelite nun in 1934. Being Jewish, she fled to the Netherlands when the Nazis came to power in Germany. She was seized by the Nazis and sent to Auschwitz concentration camp. She died there in the gas chamber on 9th August 1942.

Thursday 10th August St Lawrence a much venerated and very popular saint in Rome, Lawrence was a deacon who assisted Pope Sixtus II. He was martyred in Rome during the persecution of 258. Devotion of the saint has produced several stories. The tradition is that he was roasted to death on a gridiron and that, on it, he asked to be turned over 'to do the other side'. His tomb is in the basilica named after him.

Friday 11th August St Clare was attracted by the life and teaching of St Francis. She spent some time with him and his group but then, in 1212 she founded her own women's Franciscan group, usually known as the Poor Clares. They were to live lives of poverty, austerity and prayer. As their leader, Clare lived at the little church of San Damiano, just outside Assisi. Her remains are venerated in the church of Santa Chiara in the town.

Saturday 12th August St Jane Frances de Chantal

was known as refined, beautiful, educated, capable and charitable. She married Baron de Chantal in 1592 and was left widowed, with four children in 1601. She met Francis de Sales in 1604 and he became her spiritual director. In 1610, with her director's advice and help, she founded the Congregation of the Visitation.

St Blaan, Bishop was born in Ireland, and was there influenced by St Comgall and St Kenneth, before travelling in Bute. He finally settled on mainland Scotland, where he built a monastery on what would become the site of a cathedral begun by David I, in the place which would bear his name – Dunblane. He died in 590.

Wishing you all a **HAPPY SUNDAY**