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7th Sunday of Easter B 12th May 2024

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

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- First Reading: Acts 1: 15-17. 20-26 Matthias was chosen to fill the gap left by the defection of Judas.
- Responsorial Psalm: The Lord has set his sway in heaven
- Second Reading: Jn 4: 11-16 Since God has loved us, we too must love one another.
- Gospel: Jn 17: 11-19 Jesus prays for his present and future disciples who are to carry on his work in the world

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: £900.78

There is a second collection this weekend for Communications.

Thank you for your generosity.



Sick: Mary Cunningham, Sr Kathleen Owens, Peter Alexander, Alice Gallagher, Kay McDonagh, Carol McGuinness, Caroline Miller, Matt Miller, John, Ann McShane & Family, Anne Wedlock McCann, Catherine McPhee, John Lannigan, Thomas Lally, Jim, Pat, Grace & Felix Dillon, Patricia McGhee, James Brown

Month's Mind: Stephen Henry, Cathie Wilson, John & Bridie Docherty, Eddie McGonigal, George Currie, May McMullen, Tommy McMullen, Paul McMullen Jnr, James & Cathie McCracken, John & Bessie McMullen, John & Betty McMullen, Mary, Jack & Brian Mairs, Agnes, Eddie & John McFadyen, John Reid

Anniversaries: Frank Wilson

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

Prayer of Saint Joseph

Saint Joseph, protector and guide of Jesus Christ. Assist me with the help of your intercessions to be a man of integrity, honesty and dignity. May I imitate you in discipleship as brother, husband, father, and son. Pray that I may receive the gifts necessary to be a healer, teacher, mentor, and missionary to the world in need of the Gospel. As you once promised to watch over the Christ Child, pray that through the grace of the Holy Spirit I too may keep my promises to watch and protect all those the Lord has given to me.

Reflection: 7th Sunday of Easter B.



PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT (St. Augustine)

Breathe into me, Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may be holy. Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Attract my heart, Holy Spirit, that I may love only what is holy. Strengthen me, Holy Spirit that I may defend all that is holy. Protect me, Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy.

"Live by the Spirit...The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its desires and passions. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit." Galatians 5:22-25

Holy and eternal Trinity, we pray for our Diocese of Motherwell and the whole Church. Sanctify its life; empower its witness; heal its divisions; make visible its unity. Lead us, brothers and sisters, towards communion in faith, life and witness, one in body and Spirit. Amen.

There will be Rosary, Adoration and Reflection on the Holy Spirit every evening from Monday 13th to Friday 17th May at 6.30pm here in our Church.

I invite everyone to attend this in the lead up to Pentecost on the 19th May.

500 Club Winners!

1st Prize E Cassidy (34) 2nd Prize M Hannigan (134) 3rd Prize G Crawford (115)

Holy Year Pilgrimage to Rome

The Cathedral Parish is organising an 8-day pilgrimage to Rome from 13th/20th October 2025. Bishop Toal will lead the group.

For further information, contact Alba Tours on 01698 262941 or Fr Lamb on 01698 263045. Places are available on a first come basis.

MASS FOR THE SICK - 1ST JUNE @ 12 MD

To help us know the numbers required for transport -If you know of anyone who would like to attend, please provide Fr. Ghislain with their <u>name</u>, address and contact number. Please include any carers required to accompany the sick.

A small tea will be provided in the hall after Mass to which all are welcome.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The next Social Committee meeting will be held in the small hall this Wednesday 15th May @ 7pm. Should anyone wish to join us to share any ideas for future social events please feel welcome.

May, Month of Mary

The month of May is the "month which the piety of the faithful are especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady," and it is the occasion for a moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance" (Paul VI: Encyclical on the *Month of May*, no. 1). Join us, please, for the Holy Rosary every morning at 9.30am

Communication Sunday

On this Communications Sunday, we are called to become discerning consumers of news media, regular readers of our catholic press and generous supporters of the church's dedicated communications staff. I invite you to donate generously to today's collection which funds our Scottish Catholic Media Office.

Have a lovely weekend!