

SUNDAY 23rd MARCH 2014
3rd SUNDAY IN LENT

TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday Masses:

Vigil (Saturday) 5.30 pm; 9.00 am, 11.00 am and 5.00 pm

Monday to Saturday

Morning Prayer at 9.50

Mass at 10.00 am followed by the Rosary

Confession:

Saturday 10.30 – 11.00 am

Saturday 6.15 – 6.45 pm

Thursday 7.00 – 7.30 pm

Adoration:

Please note that Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin again on Tuesday 14th January 2014

Rosary followed by Novena:

Thursday at 7.00 pm

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PARISH MEETING

As you will be aware, there is ongoing discussion in the Archdiocese about the necessary reorganization of parishes. You will also be aware, if you were present at the Mass with the Archbishop on Thursday evening that this is a time of LISTENING and that **no decisions have yet been made**. Please make this point strongly to anyone who tries to engage you in gossip about which parishes are closing and which are not. If they say that they know these facts then they are quite simply wrong! As part of the process, a group in the parish have been discussing various possibilities for reorganization in our area. To extend this discussion, there will be a parish meeting at 7.30 pm on Tuesday evening in the hall. If you would like to be involved in this process, you are very welcome to attend. There is a sheet at the back of the Church which lists various options which are possible in principle.

NEXT SATURDAY (29th March)

Mass next Saturday will be at 1.00 pm (instead of 10.00 am) and will be a Month's Mind Mass for Gerard Lewis who died tragically in a car accident almost a month ago. (The Vigil Mass will be celebrated, as usual, at 5.30 pm)

CALLING ALL MARRIED COUPLES

Whether you have been married a day of 50 years. Whether you feel strong or are struggling, this is for you. A relaxed informal environment to listen to informative and supportive talks over coffee and a dessert. No group work or discussions! Begins on Wednesday 19th March at 7.15 at the Community of the Risen Christ (20 Belleisle Street – just next to Holy Cross) and runs for 7 weeks..

QUO VADIS?

“Where are you going?” – the words spoken

by Peter to the Lord as he met Jesus returning to Rome to be ‘crucified again’ as Peter fled his own persecution. This is the name of a programme for young adults (17+) which takes place in the Eyre Hall of the Archdiocesan Offices (next to the Cathedral) on Thursday evenings during Lent from 7.00 until 9.00 pm. This week's theme is “Romance without Regret”. All young adults are very welcome for this time of prayer and reflection led by NET ministries (a group of American/Canadian young people working in Glasgow this year to strengthen the faith of their peers.

AGAP LENTFEST

Saint Helen's is proud to host the Lentfest Play on Friday 28th March at 7.30 pm. Please see the posters at the back of the Church. Tickets are available from the Sacristy. Please take a brochure also.

FOODBANK DONATIONS

We have received a card expressing gratitude for the magnificent response to the request for items for the local foodbanks. PLEASE, however, only donate dried or tinned food – it is not possible to accept fresh food.

MORE THAN GOLD

The Churches have all become involved in preparations for the Commonwealth Games and are now looking for volunteers to host athletes' families who would not otherwise be able to come to the Games. More details are available on the poster at the back of the Church or morethangold2014.org.uk/homestay

A POOR CHURCH FOR THE POOR

Is the title of this year's Romero Lecture to be given by Jesuit theologian, Fr. Martin Maier on Monday 24th March beginning with Mass in Saint Aloysius' at 6.30 pm (to mark the 34th anniversary of Archbishop

Romero's death) followed by the lecture in Saint Aloysius College at 7.30 pm

LENTEN ALMS

Our Lenten Alms Retiring Collection continues this weekend for Sick and Retired Priests. Next week there will be a second collection in aid of SCIAF.

FLOURISH

New Flourish now on sale!

Prayers Requested...

For those who are sick

Maria Ricommini, Margaret Falder, Rose Burns, Jimmy McCabe, Kathleen Campbell, Theresa Metcalfe, Damien Reilley, Patrick Kane, Sister Joanne, Lucia McWhirter, Theresa Lobjoie, Sister Anne Morrison, Mary Maley, Gerry McDaid, Baby Oliver, Annie McCole, Mary O'Donnell, Betty Boyd, Philomena Duffy, George Davies, Michael Kerrigan, Linn and Jimmy McNab,

For those who have died recently

Mary O'Donnell, Mauretta Armstrong, Nettie Cryans, Mary McCue, Rose Teresa Brennan, Cathie Rogan, John Torley,

On the Anniversaries of

Pat Stewart, Jack McGeedy, Maggie Jack, Philip Dolan, Gerry Orr, Pasquale Lavigna, Rafaella Porcelli, Joseph Gavenias, Gary Miller, Benedict Matassa, McDaid and O'Gorman families,