KINDLY REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

All the Sick especially: Fernando M. A. Menoscal, Orla Rose McMullen; Mary Francis Chance; Isa Keatings; Enrique Menoscal Valarezo; Nazia McNulty; Dora Menoscal. **Deaths**: Liam Connelly; Jessie Burns; Jonathon Tremlett; Fr Martin Chambers; Margaret Allen (Orr); Elizabeth McCormack (McCluskey); James Pearson; Jim Devanney; Alison McGough; James Pearson. Months Minds: Liam Airlie; Ellis Clapperton; Mary Carrigan; Mary Ann McGlynn; Kathleen McGlynn; Margaret Hendry; Tommy Hendry; Mary McConnachie; Arthur McConnachie; Mary Theresa McCormick: Tommy McStay: Hughie McStay: Katy McStay; Sandra Nimmo; Brennan, Woods, Riley Families. Anniversaries: Wullie Howley; James Brophy; William Scullion; Danny & Marie Mullen; Patrick Cahill; Pat McGlynn; Willie Mitchell; Lily Daly; Michael Riley; For Holy Souls in Purgatory especially the most forgotten.



POPE FRANCIS' MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION – April: For the Role of Women

This month's prayer intention is "that the dignity and richness of women be recognized in all cultures, and for an end to the discrimination they suffer in various parts of the world."



Takes place at the 10.00am Mass on Sunday

'Offertory' collection(s)

The Box at the entrance of the Church: last weekend $-13^{th}/14^{th}$ April -£813.79. Thank you once again to everyone who contributes to the Offertory Collections using the Box at the Entrance to the Church and to all those who make payments direct to the Parish Bank Account.

Hire of Parish Hall

To hire the Parish Hall please contact Joe Mullen on 01698 860015.



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4th SUNDAY OF EASTER 21st April 2024

Day and Date	Times	Mass and/or other
Sunday 21 st April	10:00am 12.00noon	Mass Mass (Live-streamed on Facebook)
Monday 22 nd April	9.00am 9.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosary Mass
Tuesday 23 rd April	9.00am 9.30am	Rosary Mass
Wednesday 24 th April	9.00am 9.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosary Mass
Thursday 25 th April St Mark	9:00am 9.30am 6.00pm 7.00pm	Rosary Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mass
Friday 26 th April	9.00am 9.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosary Mass
Saturday 27 th April	9:30am 4.30pm	Mass Vigil Mass

Confessions

Confessions this week will be available on Thursday between 6.30pm and 6.50pm and after the 9.30am Mass on Saturday until 10.30am.



Thank you to all those who attended the meeting as part of Project Wellspring last Wednesday 17th April at 7.15pm in the Parish Hall.

At the meeting as well as reviewing the matters that had been discussed at the two previous meetings those present discussed both a Parish Vision and a Parish Priest's Vision for the Parish.

Subsequently, the following one Vision was expressed:

"To sustain and grow our parish into the future through the continued practice of our faith while encouraging more people to join us. At all times to utilise the skills and abilities of all members of the Parish community. Also, to ensure the Church and all buildings are maintained and kept in a state suitable for use including prayer and the spreading of the Good News of Jesus Christ."

Once again, discussion took place around the five Missions, it was agreed to prepare a questionnaire to ascertain the views of as many parishioners as possible. Subsequently, the information obtained would be used to build upon the statements contained in the Wellspring documentation from the Diocese of Motherwell. Other analysis of current activities in the Parish would also be collated including numbers attending Masses, number of Baptisms, as well as, financial information to help with future planning and provision of activities within the Parish.

In the meantime, efforts would be made to have in place the provision of, preferably played, music at the Saturday Vigil or use of pre-recorded music.

Parish Social Events

This Saturday 20th April the 1st Parish Social Event takes place for this year. Thank you to everyone who donated prizes for the raffle these are greatly appreciated. All monies raised will go towards Parish Funds. Thank you once again for all your support.

Thank you to everyone who came along to the meeting last Tuesday. At this meeting, the following were also confirmed as further social events that are planned to take place in the Parish over the rest of the year:

a Mass of Thanksgiving for the 1st Holy Communicants on Sunday 2nd June at 10.00am Mass followed by a 'celebration' in the Parish Hall;

a social event on Saturday 8th June, including live music, to raise funds for Mary's Meals;

a Parish fun day on Saturday 22nd June in and at the side of the Parish Hall 11.00am – 1.00pm;

a 60's night on Saturday 21st September;

Race night - date to be confirmed: and

'Tea with Santa' – 5th December. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

The World Day of Prayer for Vocations take place this Sunday – 21st April. We are asked to pray especially for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. We also remember all those who follow their vocation as a single or married person.

Copies of Pope Francis' message for Vocations Sunday are available at the entrance of St Teresa's Church.

Also, the following message has been sent from Fr Charles O'Farrell, Vocations Director at the Diocese of Motherwell -

Vocation to the Priesthood or Permanent Diaconate?

Any man who is considering a calling/vocation to the Priesthood or the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Motherwell should make himself known in the first instance to his Parish Priest. His contact details will then be forwarded to the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Charles O'Farrell, for those considering Priesthood, or to Deacon Bill McMillan, for those considering the Diaconate. If anyone wishes to receive information or encouragement about discerning their vocation, contact can be made with Fr O'Farrell at frofarrell@rcdom.org.uk, or Deacon McMillan at deaconmcmillan@rcdom.org.uk.

Our Lady of Fatima – 1st Saturday Devotion

The next Devotion will take place this Saturday 4th May 2024 at 9.00am.

Celebration of First Holy Communion

On Saturday, 11th May at 11.00am, children of the Parish will receive their First Holy Communion. We keep all the children and their families in our prayers as they continue to prepare for this very special day in their lives.

Diocesan Prolife Mass

A Mass is to take place on Tuesday 30th April at 7.00pm here in St Teresa's to pray for all activities associated with Prolife. This Mass is part of the activities being organised by the Diocese of Motherwell Beating Heart Group. This Group has been established to provide activities, including practical support where needed, to ensure all aspects of Prolife are helped and supported.

SCIAF wee boxes

Thank you to all those who have handed in their Wee Box. This was to be the last weekend to receive the boxes to allow the counting of them to take place. If you still have a wee box, please return it next weekend at the latest and this will mean we can then forward all monies to SCIAF.

Mass for the Memoria of St Peregrine

Fr Sean Wylie from Our Lady of Fatima Parish advises that a Mass, praying for those who suffer from cancer, their families, carers, nurses, and doctors, and also for those who have died from cancer, will take place in Our Lady & St John's Church, 79 Carlisle Road, Blackwood ML11 9RZ on Wednesday 1st May at 7.00pm with anointing of the sick. A warm invitation is extended to everyone.

THE 4th SUNDAY OF EASTER 21st April 2024

Gift Aid

Thank you to all who are members of the Gift Aid Scheme here at St Teresa's, your participation in the Scheme is greatly appreciated. If you haven't already done so, the new Gift Aid envelopes that are now to be used from the weekend the 6th/7th April are available in the stall.

If anyone who is currently in the scheme but is no longer paying tax, please let Fr Kevin know as soon as possible. Also, if you have changed your name and/or address please let Fr Kevin know.

A reminder that being a member of the Gift Aid scheme is an excellent opportunity to support the Parish. For every £1 contributed an extra amount of 25p can be claimed by the Parish from HMRC. It does not cost any extra to take part in the Scheme, you make your collection using the envelopes provided or by Standing Order to the Parish Bank Account. Subsequently, if anyone wishes to join the Scheme, then please ask for a mandate form and envelopes from the Stall or from Fr Kevin.

For those parishioners not in the Gift Aid Scheme and wish a set of offertory envelopes with no number on them, these are also available from the Stall.

Missionary Appeals in Parishes

As you will recall, we are asked to have a missionary appeal where a representative from a missionary order in the Church would come to a Parish to make an appeal on behalf of their missionary work. This was restarted in 2023 when Sr Ann McAllister of the Franciscan Missionary Sisters for Africa came and made an appeal here at St Teresa's.

This year's appeal is to be made on behalf of the Sisters of St Peter Claver who we know have a house in Bellshill. The dates for a Sisters visiting St Teresa's is next weekend - 27th and 28th April at the 4.30pm Vigil Mass on the Saturday and both the 10.00am and 12.00noon Masses on the Sunday.

Thank you in advance for your support and we look forward to welcoming and meeting the Sisters.

Coffee and Tea after Sunday 10.00am Mass

The next teas, coffees and all, it is anticipated, will take place on Sunday 5th May 2024 after the 10.00am Mass. Thank you once again to all those who volunteer to provide home baking and provide the teas, coffees and all.

My Day by Day and Living Faith Booklets

Both booklets are available from the Stall priced £1. The Easter 2024 Day by Day Booklet includes the readings for Services and/or Mass each day from Good Friday until Tuesday 30th April inclusive. The Living Faith Booklets for April, May and June provide daily thoughts including a quote each day from the scriptures as well as prayers and blessings.

St Vincent De Paul Society – St Francis Xavier's Conference Carfin

The St Francis Xavier's Conference Carfin of the St Vincent De Paul Society have contacted Fr Kevin to advise that they're willing to offer assistance to anyone from St Teresa's Parish or anyone we may know of who may require assistance. The contact details are: Denis - 07484 100632 or Hugh - 07801 495448 or by contacting Fr Kevin.

