

**PARISH OF THE MOST BLESSED TRINITY  
CHURCHES OF ST. STEPHEN AND  
ALL SAINTS**

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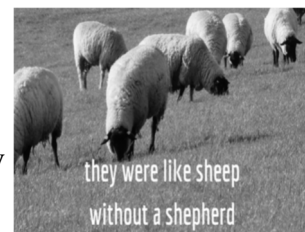
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**11th Sunday of the Year, A**

**18th June 2023**



**All Saints**

Monday	7.30 p.m.	Mass/Novena
Wednesday	9.30 a.m.	Mass
Friday	9.30 a.m.	Mass
Saturday	4.30 p.m.	Vigil Mass
Sunday	10.30 a.m.	Mass
Sunday	5.30 p.m.	Mass

**St. Stephen's**

Tuesday	10.00 a.m.	Mass
Wednesday	10.00 a.m.	Mass
Thursday	10.00 a.m.	Mass
Saturday	5.30 p.m.	Vigil Mass
Sunday	12.15 p.m.	Mass

**FEAST DAYS**

Wednesday 21st	St. Aloysius Gonzaga
Thursday 22nd	St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More.
Saturday 24th	The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

**WORLD YOUTH DAY**

**Pope Frances beautiful message to the Youth of the Church for World Youth Day entitled "Mary arose"**

'In these troubling times, when our human family, already tested by the trauma of the pandemic, is racked by the tragedy of war, Mary shows to all of us, and especially to you, young people like herself, the path of proximity and encounter. I hope and I firmly believe that the experience many of you will have in Lisbon next August will represent a new beginning for you, the young, and – with you – for humanity as a whole. After the Annunciation, Mary could have focused on herself and her own worries and fears about her new condition. Instead, she entrusted herself completely to God. Her thoughts turned to Elizabeth. She got up and went forth, into the world of life and movement. Even though the astonishing message of the angel had caused a seismic shift in her plans, the young Mary did not remain paralyzed, for within her was Jesus, the power of resurrection and new life. Within herself, Mary already bore the Lamb that was slain and yet lives. She arises and sets out, for she is certain that God's plan is the best plan for her life. Mary becomes a temple of God, an image of the pilgrim Church, a Church that goes forth for service, a Church that brings the good news to all! The Mother of the Lord is a model for young people on the move, who refuse to stand in front of a mirror to contemplate themselves or to get caught up in the "net". Mary's focus is always directed outwards. She is the woman of Easter, in a permanent state of exodus, going forth from herself towards that great Other who is God and towards others, her brothers and sisters, especially those in greatest need, like her cousin Elizabeth. Mary was motivated by the needs of her elderly cousin. She did not hold back, or remain indifferent. She thought more of others than of herself. And this gave enthusiasm and direction to her life. Each of you can ask: "How do I react to the needs that I see all around me? Do I think immediately of some reason not to get involved? Or do I show interest and willingness to help?"

**THE ANNUAL DIOCESAN**

**LOURDES DAY AT CARFIN** will take place on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June at 3.00 pm



**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY to all fathers.**

**RESTORATION OF ALL PRE-COVID  
LITURGICAL PRACTICES**

The Bishop has informed us that from The Solemnity of Corpus Christi in the Motherwell Diocese all Pre-Covid Liturgical practices should now be restored. This includes the hand-shake as an appropriate sign of peace, the reception of Holy Communion on the tongue, and the opportunity for the lay faithful to receive the Precious Blood from the Chalice, where this custom previously existed or is now deemed desirable.

**A SPECIAL COLLECTION will be taken up at all Masses this weekend for Life.**

Pro-Life encompasses many areas including the church's teaching on the sanctity of human life from it's beginning to its end. But it also recognises that we must give the means to live and provide a society where life is welcome and poverty and inequality challenged. This year the pro-life message recognises the trauma and pain left to those affected by abortion, not least mother's, their families and also the fathers. Pro-life charities provide post abortion counselling and help and we remember that victims of abortion are mothers also.



**MOTHER TERESA FILM – NO GREATER LOVE will be screened in the VUE CINEMA IN HAMILTON ON 27TH JUNE AT 7.00PM**

Father Eugenio Montesi is an Xaverian Missionary based in Glasgow and he recently celebrated 60 years of priesthood. His mission has seen him spend 30 years in Sierra Leone, 20 in Scotland, seven in the USA and some short spells in other African countries too. Funds from this film will purchase a Communion bread making machine for Sierra Leone where he worked for over 30 years. It is a wonderful cause. The remainder of the funds will also be used to send young people to World Youth Day in Lisbon this August.

**PETER'S PENCE:** There will be a collection for Peter's Pence the weekend of 1st/2nd July.

**CELTIC SOCIAL NIGHT for HCPT GROUP 567** raised the magnificent sum of £3320. The signed football top was won by V Wood from St. Stephen's. Many thanks to all who supported this event in any way.

