

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

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26th Sunday of the Year. A

1st October 2023

All Saints			St. Stephen's		
Monday	7.30 p.m.	Mass/Novena	Tuesday	10.00 a.m.	Mass
Wednesday	9.30 a.m.	Mass	Wednesday	10.00 a.m.	Mass
Friday	9.30 a.m.	Mass	Thursday	10.00 a.m.	Mass
Saturday	4.30 p.m.	Vigil Mass	Saturday	5.30 p.m.	Vigil Mass
Sunday	10.30 a.m.	Mass	Sunday	12.15 p.m.	Mass
Sunday	5.30 p.m.	Mass			

FEAST DAYS

Monday 2nd The Holy Guardian Angels

Wednesday 4th St. Francis of Assisi

Saturday 7th Our Lady of the Rosary

THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC



If you would like to find out more about the Catholic Church and the possibility of becoming a Catholic, we will soon be starting RCIA, (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) our programme of instruction in the Christian faith. Please feel free to contact Father Doyle or speak to him after Mass

for more information. Meetings in All Saints Hall,
Monday evening 6.00—7.00 p.m.



October is the month of the Holy Rosary:

Thought from Pope Francis during the Month of the Holy Rosary: "Mary is the gate of Heaven, there at the threshold of Paradise, waiting for us to arrive to our homeland. And

with each Rosary we pray, we are taking a step toward that goal. Mary, who is a human creature, one of us, reaches eternity in body and soul," he said, explaining that this is why we call her the Gate of Heaven... There she awaits us, just as a mother waits for her children to come home." Seeing that "in paradise, together with Christ, the New Adam, there is also Mary, the new Eve, gives us comfort and hope in our pilgrimage down here." We need not be afraid, because "on the threshold of Heaven there is a Mother waiting for us." Mary constantly reminds us that we are precious in the eyes of God, and that we are made for the great joys of Heaven. "Every time we take the Rosary in our hands and pray to her we take a step forward towards our life's great goal."

Feast day, 1 October: Feast of St Thérèse of Lisieux, Patron of the missions. As a child St Thérèse dreamed of being a missionary. With age she understood that very few of us are called to make big and radical gestures, but that through small, loving actions we too can deliver God's love to the world. Aged seven, Thérèse joined The Society of the Holy Childhood, known to us now as Mission Together. It was as a member of the Holy Childhood that Thérèse grew in faith and admiration for the work of the missionaries. This month is dedicated to the work of Missio, the Pope's own charity that reaches out to the church in the developing world and offers practical help in education, healthcare and parish life. 'Charity is at the heart of the Church, it is the reason for its action, the soul of its mission'. **Pope Francis**

As part of the Pontifical Mission Societies, Missio Scotland is proud to be the Pope's charity for world mission. There will be a collection for Missio on Mission Sunday 22nd of October .



COLD WEATHER: As with last year, a wee reminder to wrap up warm as the colder months approach.

Although there has been a small reduction in the tariff we pay for gas it is hugely inflated in comparison to the

previous rates we were paying. This will mean that we must remain prudent and realistic with the heating of all our buildings.

BINGO: every Thursday night in the Parish Hall,
Door s open 7.00-7.15 p.m. ALL WELCOME.



VOLUNTEER CLEANERS needed for Church. Please contact the **Parish Mobile: 07707 14999** or message our Facebook page.

ARRANGING MARRIAGES: A gentle reminder that at least 6 month's notice is required when booking a marriage in order for the appropriate preparation and paperwork to be carried out.

SYNOD

ADSUMUS (the official prayer of the Synod)

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts, teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All of this we ask You, who are at work in every place and time,

in the communion of the Father, and the Son, forever and ever, **AMEN.**

BOILER REPLACEMENT: Last year in conjunction with the Diocese we looked at replacing the boilers in Holy Trinity and All Saints Church. The boilers are very inefficient and frankly on their last legs. Unfortunately the grant available was for an ambient heating system which was deemed to be inappropriate for our needs and the style of building. In discussion with the Estate Office in the Diocese we hope to replace the boilers sometime next year. In the meantime the boilers have been serviced and are awaiting parts, so apologies for any inconvenience this may cause in the Church and Hall.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES

Online booking is now available for couples preparing for marriage within the Catholic Church. Courses take place from 10.30 a.m. till 3.00 p.m. in St. Augustine's Parish Centre, Coatbridge, ML5 1DQ.



DATES OF COURSES FOR 2023/2024 ARE:

28th October 2023, 20th January 2024, 17th February 2024, 16th March 2024, 20th April 2024, and 15th June 2024. Courses cost £50 and includes all course materials. Book your course today at www.marriagefamilylife.org. Please book only one, one day course. For more information contact

Fr. Michael Kane from the Marriage and Family Life Agency: info@marriagefamilylife.org

PASTORAL LETTER FROM BISHOP TOAL RE SYNOD is available on our website under the latest news section.

NOTRE DAME COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

There will be a Day of Reunion on Saturday 7th October 2023 in Turnbull Hall Chaplaincy with Mass at 12 noon to mark the 50th anniversary of the College. This will be followed by a finger-buffet upstairs in Turnbull Hall at 1.00 pm If you would like further information, then please email eileenkidd@icloud.com.

Newman Association Meeting – 2023/2024 Lecture Series

The Religiosity of Scotland's Sugar Aristocracy:

Slavery, Faith, Diaspora, 1775-1838. - a talk by

Dr Stephen Mullen in the Parish Hall, Immaculate Conception Church, 2049 Maryhill Road, Glasgow, G20 0AA at 7.30pm on

Thursday 5th October 2023. All welcome. Refreshments provided.