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

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Parish of the Most Blessed Trinity **7th Sunday of the Year,** C

23rd February 2025

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: Monday	NO Mass	s/ Novena	Saturday	4.30 p.m.	Vigil Mass
Wednesday	9.30 a.m.	Mass	Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Ukrainian Mass
Friday	9.30 a,m	Mass	Sunday ``	10.30 a.m.	Mass
			Sunday	5.30 p.m.	Mass

St. Stephen's

Tuesday	10.00 a.m. Mass	Saturday 5.30	pm. Vigil Mass
Wednesday	10.00 a.m. Mass	Sunday 12.15	5 p.m. Mass
Thursday	10.00 a.m. Mass	·	-

FEAST DAYS:

Thursday 27th St. Gregory of Narek. NOVENA/MASS: There will be no evening MASS/NOVENA on Monday 24th February. PRIZE BINGO: we would be grateful for the donation of any gifts or bottles for our prize bingo in February.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

Thank you for those who were able to attend. We are still looking for volunteers for the Children's Liturgy, if you can help or if you missed the meeting, please let us know, contact Father Doyle.

COME AND SEE" (Wellspring Initiative)

We extend to all parishioners a very warm welcome to come explore the treasure of their Catholic faith, to encounter the Lord in a new way and grow in the joy and beauty of their faith on **Tuesday evenings at 7 o'clock in All Saints' Hall.**

NOTE FOR YOUR DIARY

Ash Wednesday is on 5th March 2025. If you would like to return any blessed palms to the Parish from previous years we will prepare them to be used for Ashes on Ash Wednesday.

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MASSES ON ASH WEDNESDAY:

All Saints: 9.30 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.
St. Stephen's: 10.00 a.m.
Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence.
LENT: During Lent there will be Stations of the Cross after morning Masses.

NEW ROTAS are available for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers to collect.

ONLINE RETREAT FOR LENT

"We will journey through Lent 2025 in the Jubilee Year. Our Lenten journey this year therefore picks up on the Jubilee theme "Pilgrims of Hope". The letter issued by Pope Francis on the Feast of the Ascension 2024 to help us begin this pilgrimage is *Spes non Confundit*, hope does not disappoint. Hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us" (Rom 5:1-2.5) For this reason, through Lent 2025, our Lent Retreat theme is the "fruits of the Spirit". We experience the fruits of the Spirit in consolation: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness and self-control. For Ignatius consolation was an increase in faith, hope and love. (SE 316)". The Retreat will begin on

Ash Wednesday 5th March. Go to

Fruits of the Spirit - Online Prayer.

We do hope to have hard copies of the retreat material in the form of a book which we hope to make available before Ash Wednesday. These are free of charge but if you would care to make a donation towards the publishing and printing I will make a donation to the Jesuits in Glasgow. Father Doyle.

FOOD BANK: There will be a collection for the food bank next weekend. Donations of canned goods, tea, coffee, sugar, breakfast cereals, noodles, pasta sauces, basic toiletries e.g. shampoo, toothpaste and deodorant would all be gratefully accepted by the food bank.

ST. STEPHEN'S

The external work on St. Stephen's is now complete. The work on the interior will begin on Monday 3rd March and it is estimated it will continue for 2 weeks. This means we will be required to use the cry chapel for Masses. Funerals will take place in All Saints' and on Ash Wednesday Mass for the children will take place in the school..

WELLSPRING LITURGICAL MEETING

Many thanks to all who were able to attend the Liturgical and Planning Meeting of the Spiritual programme for Lent and the Holy Year.

BANK DETAILS FOR DONATIONS

If you wish you can contribute directly to the parish using these bank details below. parish prize bingo which will take place in February.

Details of our new Bank Account are as follows:
Sort Code: 80-12-97; Account No: 10245365
Account Name: Holy Trinity & All Saints

If you are already paying by Direct Debit you don't need to do anything, this is only for people who wish to do online banking.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES

Online booking is now available for couples preparing for marriage within the Catholic church. The course is on a Saturday from 10.45 a.m. till 3.00 p.m. at St. Augustine's Parish Centre, Coatbridge, ML5 1DQ. Cost £50 per couple, includes all course materials. Dates for 2025 are: 15 March 2025, 12 April 2025, 7 June 2025.Book your course online now at www.marriagefamilylife.org. Please book only 1 one day course. For more information contact Deacon David Harper at info.marriagefamilylife.org.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO HAVE SUFFERED ABUSE is on Friday 7th March.

AS PROJECT WELLSPRING – OUR DIOCESAN RENEWAL PROGRAMME – enters its second year, the Bishop has made some significant changes to how the programme runs. One of the most exciting changes is that it is now time for the Diocese to ask volunteers to come forward to help parishes get the most out of Wellspring Spiritually, Pastorally and Operationally. The intention is that we try to secure the help of 6 individuals who will support the parishes in each of our 6 Deaneries (which are geographical groupings of 6 – 12 parishes). If you have a passion for supporting the clergy and their parishes and experience of managing change (ideally with facilitation skills) could you approach your parish priest to find out more? Typical activities include co-ordinating, facilitating and leading meetings / discussions and sharing practices and outcomes with teams across the Diocese. This role is expected to require say

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