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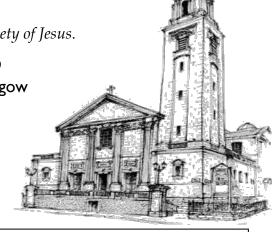
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**AMDG** 

6 February 2022

Fifth Sunday of the Year in Ordinary Time

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# SERVICE TIMES

Sunday Mass

Vigil (Saturday):

5.00pm

Sunday:

10.00am.

12.00noon (choir),

& 9.00pm

Weekday

Monday - Friday:

8.00am, 12.15pm,

Mass

Saturday:

12.15pm

& 5.00pm (Vigil)

**Confessions** 

Mon - Sun:

30 minutes before

Each Mass

Exposition

Sunday after the 12.00 noon Mass



# The Pope's Monthly Prayer Intention - February 2022

Religious Sisters and Consecrated Women

We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

# Feast day - 10 February, Saint Scholastica's Day



St. Scholastica, sister of St. Benedict, consecrated her life to God from her earliest youth. After her brother went to Monte Cassino, where he established his famous monastery, she took up her home in the neighbourhood at Plombariola, where she founded and governed a monastery of nuns, about five miles from that of St. Benedict, who, it appears, also directed his sister and her nuns. She visited her brother once a year, and as she was not allowed to enter his monastery, he went in company with some of his brethren to meet her at a house some distance away. These visits were spent in conferring together on spiritual matters. On one occasion they had passed the time as usual in prayer and in the evening they sat down to reflect. She begged her brother to remain until the next day. He refused to spend the night outside his monastery. A thunderstorm burst so that neither St Benedict nor his companions could return home. They spent the night in spiritual conferences. The next morning they parted to meet no more on earth. Three days later St Scholastica died, and her holy brother beheld her soul in a vision as it ascended into heaven. He sent his brethren to bring her body to his monastery and laid it in the tomb he had prepared for himself. She died about the year 543, and St. Benedict followed her soon after.

## Second Collection today for Assisted Parishes

# **Covid Update**

Following recent advice from the Scottish Government and the Archdiocese of Glasgow we have ceased to clean and sanitise the church benches at the end of every Mass and we have ceased registration on arrival at the Church.

It remains very important that all should sanitise their hands on entry to the church and continue to wear masks inside the building. Please do continue to receive Holy Communion in the hand and people should continue to spread out in the church.

### Thank you

Thank you most sincerely to all our volunteers who have so generously ensured that our church has remained open during these long months by registering visitors and sanitising the benches.

## **Social Distancing**

Be Distance AwareA new initiative has launched in Scotland to encourage people to respect the space of others when they're out and about. The Distance Aware scheme offers everyone who would feel more comfortable when they have more room, the chance to wear an easily recognisable symbol to show others they need space and care. The polite prompt is designed to support those who are worried about being in public places, for whatever reason, and help them feel more confident when going about their daily life. Free lanyards and badges featuring the Distance Aware shield are available from libraries across the country, with badges also free to pick up in ASDA stores or online from participating charities, free or for a small donation. We can all play our part as we adapt to living with COVID-19. To find out more, visit www.gov.scot/distanceaware

### **Mass Obligation**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

The obligation for Catholics to celebrate Sunday as a Holy Day by gathering together for Mass will be restored from the First Sunday in Lent, Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March. Given the easing of restrictions in every other walk of like, the Church looks forward to welcoming Catholics back to Holy Mass. As always, the obligation does not apply to those who are sick and their carers or **to those aware of their greater vulnerability to the virus**. May the continuing recovery of our country bring new hope to us all especially those who are ill, those who mourn loved ones, those who are apprehensive and those who have sustained us in so many ways throughout the Pandemic. We, the Bishops of Scotland, take this opportunity to thank our clergy and our parish volunteers for all their efforts. May our Lenten journey this year lead us to a renewed appreciation of our Catholic faith, of the celebration of the Eucharist and of the presence of the Risen Christ who is always at our side. **Bishop Hugh Gilbert** 

### Signing at 10 a.m. Mass

We welcome Liz Ann O'Hare who has kindly volunteered to sign the Mass each Sunday at 10 a.m. for members of the community who are deaf or hard of hearing.

# **Young Adult Group**

The next meeting of the Young Adult Group will be on Sat 12 Feb starting at 7.30pm in the Ogilvie Centre, followed by special rosary in the church, then visit to cafe/pub.

#### Foodbank - Thank You

The Co-ordinator of the Glasgow North East Foodbank would like to send a big thank you to everyone who donated last weekend, the result was fantastic!

# Asylum Seekers and Refugees – Bicycles Wanted

Some of the students who attend our classes to learn English (ESOL classes) travel by foot to the church and would be very grateful for the use of a bike. If you have any bikes you wish to donate, please call or email the office 0141 332 3039 office.manager.staloysius@gmail.com. Thank you.

# **Jesuit Missions Parish Appeal**

The appeal will take place on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

# Synod Pathway in St Aloysius Church, Garnethill

## **Sunday Meetings**

If you were unable to attend in December but would like to participate, please join us after 12 noon Mass on February 6<sup>th</sup> and after 12 noon Mass on February 20<sup>th</sup>. A sandwich lunch will be provided.

#### **Zoom Sessions**

For those who do now wish to attend public gatherings at the present moment, there will be 2 Zoom sessions to which all are welcome. Part 1 will take place on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 7.00 pm and Part 2 will take place on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March. Zoom details to follow.

### **Individual Conversations**

If you are not able to attend any of the meetings, we invite you to speak to one of the Parish Team, Fr Mitchell, Fr Twist, Br Rene or Mary O'Duffin. If you would like to have a conversation about "Synodality" with one of the above, please contact us on 0141 332 3039 or: <a href="mailto:staloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk">staloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk</a>. You can meet as a couple, as a family or a group. Just let us know.

#### **Church Accounts**

During the last 9 months, is spite of the limitations of the lockdown, and because of the generosity of parishioners and others, our financial situation is quite encouraging. Here are the main figures for the 9 months to 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2021:

Amounts received £127,201.49 Amounts paid £97,092.50

Increase in funds of £30,108.99

The funds held at 31 December 2021 were: £190,943.00

This was divided by

Funds for church Restoration £168,389 General fund £ 22,554

We are planning major restoration work later in the year; more details on this next week.

# **SCIAF Wee Box Appeal**

Our SCIAF Appeal is on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March but we have a supply of the SCIAF Wee Box Appeal which are on the table beside the Holy Souls Altar. Please pick up a pack and read about the Climate Emergency which is happening now, and it's killing the poorest people first. Thank You!

### LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Thursday 10th February St Scholastica

Memorial

#### MASS TEXTS AND READINGS

### **Entrance Antiphon**

Ps 94:6-7

O Come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

First Reading Isaiah 6:1-8

Here I am, send me.

# **Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 137:1-5, 7-8. R.v.1

Before the angels I will bless you, O Lord.

12.00 Sung Mass



Second Reading Corinthians 15:1-11

I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed.

# Gospel Acclamation Jn 15:15

Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.

Gospel Luke 5:1-11

They left everything and followed him.

### **Communion Antiphon**

Cf. Ps 106:8-9

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.