

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 28th January Feast of St Thomas Aquinas

9.30 Men's Breakfast (Viking Lounge)

12noon SVDP Afternoon Tea Dance

4.30 Confessions; 5.30 Vigil

Sunday 29th January; Sunday 4(A) Ordinary Time

9.00 am & 11.00am (with children's liturgy)

1pm Funeral appointment 5.30 (Worship group)

Monday 30th January.

10am Funeral Mass; Patricia Penders RIP

10.00 - 11.30 Community Breakfast

5.30 (+) wedding appointments

Tuesday 31st January; St John Bosco

10am Funeral Mass; Willie Donnelly RIP

11am - 3pm Tuesday Club

7pm Wedding appointments

Wednesday 1st February 10am Mass

12.30 Wedding appointments

7pm RCIA (Chapel House)

Thursday 2nd February

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord 10am Mass



10.30 - 2.30 Warm welcome (hall)

6pm Wedding appointments

7pm Newman Association (see inside)

Friday 3rd February 10am Mass

11.30 - 2pm; Cost of living event (Ledgowan)

Saturday 4th February

10am Funeral Mass; Joan Hay RIP

4pm Wedding celebration - Sarah & Graham Fleming & baptism of Grace Mary Fleming

**** please note Confessions after the 5.30 Vigil**

STATISTICS OF THE YEAR

Each year we submit our statistics to the archdiocese. Every diocese in the world then submits to Rome and these are then collated and published in *Annuario Pontificio* - the church's 'year book'. Our figures, 2022 ...

Baptisms - 61

First Communions - 38

Confirmations - 36

Adults Received (RCIA) - 4

Weddings (in parish) - 3

Funerals - 60

Average Sunday attendance - 790

Estimated population - 4,000
(600+ households now on database)



50+ expressed an interest last weekend! We would be based in Marina Di Piersanta in refurbished **Re Versiliana Hotel** (check pics at Boooking.com; one street back from beach & 15 min flat walk to resort centre). Day excursions to; walled city of Lucca; Florence - birthplace of the Renaissance; Pisa & Torre del Lago (Leaning Tower, Lake & Puccini's house). Day on the boat from La Spezia to visit the pretty coastal villages of the 'Cinque Terre'. Free days at your disposal. Dates TBC in October; ball park figure £900



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All are welcome, none are judged

WEEK 4(A) ORDINARY TIME

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THE BEATITUDES

First Reading; Zephaniah 2; various vv
I will make a humble and lowly people

Psalm 145

How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs
is the kingdom of heaven

Second Reading; 1 Corinthians 1:26 - 31
God has chosen the foolish
to shame the wise

Gospel; Matthew 56: 1 - 12.
The Beatitudes



What the world sees as tragic or empty,
Jesus sees as blessed: humility, mourning,
gentleness, peacefulness and other virtues.
Jesus lived by these qualities himself
and we can notice them in his words and
actions during his life with us on earth.
He could encourage us to live in the spirit
of the Beatitudes because he himself
lived them and knew that a life of integrity
and honesty is indeed a blessed life.

5 of our young people are going
to Lisbon for World Youth Day
- with young people from all
over the world! Pope Francis
joins for the culmination of the
last 2 days. This week we are
jump-starting their fundraising
with an (optional) 2nd collection.
Your generosity especially
at the moment is appreciated!



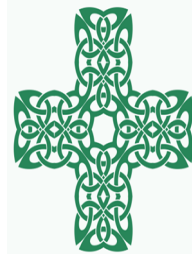
Valentine's dance - Feb 18th.
You won't get a better bargain
anywhere - tickets available
now for just £5. Music by
Cha Cairns, dancing, licensed
bar and a chance to catch up
with all the chat! If you've
never been give it a go!



The Newman Association
(organisation of Catholic men
& women keen to deepen faith
through study & learning.) *The
Synod: Reflections on the National
Synthesis.* A talk by Rev Fr
Thomas Magill 7.30pm; Thurs
2nd Feb 2023. IC Hall. Non-members
welcome - small fee of £3 admission
& refreshments. *We're delighted
to host the Newman at Maryhill
this years sessions*



**Celtic Connections Annual
Mass;** Mass of our Celtic roots.
3p.m. Sun 5th Feb. 2023 In St.
Aloysius, Rose St. Glasgow. The
skirl of the pipes will welcome
you as with Musicians from
Glasgow, St Mungo Singers, St
Mungo's Alloa the St Mungo
Ensemble and Trinity High
Ceilidh Band. All welcome

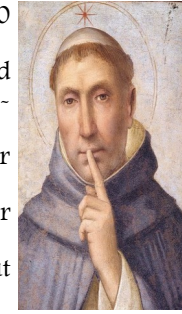


Suggestions to ease congestion, esp at 11am & 5.30
for the sick, those with children or latecomers.
ON SUNDAYS Front bench on organ side reserved
for those who can't come forward; Holy Communion
will be brought to you.

Rear bench on right hand side now reserved for
those running late

Cry Chapel is only for those with children. If your
child is strachling, make use of the cry chapel

The kneelers make a phenomenal racket! Let's put
them down rather than drop them!



PARISH NEWS

Lent approaching This year Feb. NOTE time; 2.30pm) For
we've the largest number (11) of Christine Steele and Norma
candidates in RCIA programme. Mackay - buried last week.
We're also in "Year A", when the gospels are so intense it
would be daft not to make this an unforgettable year for us all.

All children registered for the sacraments ought to be here at
Mass. If you're not here, we presume you're going
to another parish and will celebrate your child's sacraments there.

Website links Go to our webpage to link to
ChurchservicesTV (icon top left) or access our Facebook page,
which is our photograph gallery for news and pictures.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Thanks

to the group who organised the week - and to all who took part!

Funerals Patricia Penders (Funeral Jan 30th) William
Donnelly (Funeral Jan 31st) Joan Hay (Funeral Saturday Feb 4th)
Danny McCusker (Funeral 7th

Feb. NOTE time; 2.30pm) For Christine Steele and Norma
Mackay - buried last week. **Funerals (2)** To prepare a funeral
go to sacraments page on our website. You'll find a form,
information & advice.

St Margaret of Scotland Youth Group FREE CD's - LAST WEEK
available in porch. Tiny donation appreciated?

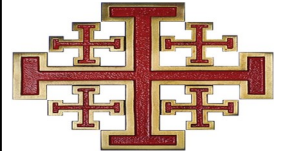
Fabric Fire & burglar alarms in all 3 buildings will be
repaired or upgraded next week. Cost is £7,000 to comply with
legislation. Huge thanks to Brian Martin who organised this
2nd collection

Apologies so many January collections in. Next (parish renovation)
Feb 12th.

Father Jim away (Wit? Again!)
Curtailed to accommodate funerals; 8th Feb for 10 days. Fr
Steve McKend SX covering.



PEACE: This week's informative session
looked at CST & our role in promoting peace
locally, nationally, internationally;
the final session in the series
with Duncan McLaren & Mary Cullen - CST &
global poverty - 21st Feb. at 7 pm in the Hall.
(We'll end with pre-Lent
cheese n wine.)



Archbishop Nolan on Holy Land Coordination Group
and recently visited Jordan where he
witnessed the efforts of people inspired by the
Gospel to uphold human dignity & defend
human rights for those fleeing violence in Iraq,
Syria, Yemen. Read full statement - J & P site.

Child poverty in Scotland. The gap between the cost of raising a
child in Scotland and actual family incomes is
widening. For families who rely on benefits,
impacted by rising costs, even enhanced
payments aren't helping. www.cpag.org.uk.

Many people are struggling with the

COST OF LIVING

Bob Doris MSP is hosting a drop-in event with various organisations
present offering advice and support. Help available will include advice
on debt, benefits, income maximisation and energy costs.

**Friday 3 February
11:30am-2pm**
at
Ledgowan Hall
Ledgowan Place
(Off Shiskine Drive)
Maryhill, G20 0JZ

Bob Doris MSP
MSP for Glasgow Maryhill and
Springburn Constituency (SNP)

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