

PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING

Eighth Sunday of The Year (A)

26th February 2017

First Reading Isaiah 49: 14-15

I will never forget you.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 4: 1-5

The Lord will reveal the secret intentions of men's hearts.

Gospel Matthew 6: 24-34

Do not worry about tomorrow.



Matthew's Gospel was probably written to boost the confidence of Jewish converts to Christianity who had been expelled from synagogues, rejected by families and even excommunicated by synagogue officials. Today's passage is a clear confidence booster for any disciple. Jesus has promised the kingdom of heaven belongs to the poor in spirit, so why should anyone be afraid? Don't worry about appearance, or what to wear: set your heart first on God's kingdom, and all else will follow.

Sunday Masses

Vigil	Saturday	6.00 p.m.	
Sunday	10 a.m.	12 noon	6.30p.m.

Weekday Masses

This week

Monday	10a.m.	
Tuesday	10a.m.	
Wednesday	10a.m.	
Thursday	10a.m. Funeral Mass for Wilma Macleod	
	6p.m.	
Friday	10a.m.	
Saturday	10 a.m.	

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 5.20p.m.- 5.50p.m. and after Vigil Mass
Church open for prayer each day Monday—Friday until 6p.m.
Thursday Eucharistic Adoration from after morning

This week we celebrate:-

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday

The beginning of this season of repentance and renewal in preparation for the joy of Easter.

Ashes will be blessed and distributed during the Masses at **10a.m. and 7.30p.m.**

Children's Liturgy of the Word

During the season of Lent there will be a Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10a.m. Mass. All children welcome.

There will be a meeting of all those who will be involved in leading Children's Liturgy a week on **Monday—6th March at 6.30p.m. in the Parish House.** If you would like to help, please come along.

In your prayers, please remember those who are sick, those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Sick:- Marie Stafford, Catherine Loughrey, Rita Antonetta Murphy, Thomas Kent, Patrick Gillen, Teresa Kane, Scott Kyle, Graham Molloy, Bill Fulton, Annemarie Boyle, John McKelvie, Connie Lipton, Teresa Melly, Katie Milliken, Anna Smith, Connie Lamont, John O'Donnell, John Dickson, John Lynch, Richard Lowrie, John McLaughlin, Andrew Dyjk, Margaret Lee,

RIP: Wilma Macleod, Alisdair Glendie, Tommy Armstrong, John Short, Maura McLaughlin,

Month's Mind: Dan O'Donnell, Cornelius Patrick Sweeney,

Anniversaries: John McClafferty, Teresa Newlands, Nan Thomson, Jim Donnelly, Edward Patrick Hendry, Elizabeth Hendry, Thomas Elder (snr), Aileen Caulfield,

First Communion

There will be a meeting for parents this Thursday 2nd March in the Hall, starting time 7p.m.

There are still a few parents of children of our parish required to confirm their child's First Communion by simply signing the list opposite their child's name after Mass. (Parents of children from other parishes have received enrolment forms for the Mass on Sunday 7th May.)

First Confession—Act of Commitment

Our children preparing for the sacrament of Reconciliation are invited to bring their commitment forms forward with the gifts of bread and wine during whatever Mass they attend next Sunday, 1st Sunday of Lent— 4th– 5th March.

Sunday Collection

£1491

Standing Orders (Each week)

£534

Second Collection (Education Sunday)

£1174

Many Thanks.

Adult Faith Formation —Matthew Passion.4

sessions of reading and reflection on the passion narrative of Matthew in preparation for Holy Week and Easter.

Mondays 13, 20, 27 March and 3rd April in the Hall (upper) 7p.m. No charge (small donations accepted) tea/coffee at interval

Presenters Deacon John Cairns and Fiona Campbell (catechist)

World Day of Prayer

Please join us in the World Day of Prayer on Friday 3rd March at 2p.m. in Toryglen Parish Church Glenmore Avenue, Toryglen G42 0EH The theme this year, prepared by the Christian women of the Philippines is – Am I being Unfair to You??

Eucharistic Ministers

The Archdiocese has asked for an update on the Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in our Parish.

There are appointment forms in the Sacristy to be signed by each Eucharistic Minister. They have been completed with the information that we have. Please sign and date, and amend if necessary.

Many Thanks

Louise

CHRIST THE KING PARISH GIFT AID SCHEME

We are currently preparing the envelopes for the GIFT AID SCHEME for the fiscal year beginning Sunday 9th April 2017. The average tax relief income from the scheme on an annual basis over the last five years has been **£17185**. This income has always been an *integral part of parish income* and we rely on new members to join the scheme to replace members of the scheme who have died or who have moved from the parish. The main rule of the scheme is that members pay sufficient tax in a year to cover the amount of tax rebate that could be recovered at 25% of their annual contributions.

The beginning of the new tax year is the best time to join the scheme and we would welcome new members to apply by filling in a **GIFT AID form** which is available at the back of the Church or by speaking to Fr Peter who has forms in the sacristy.

Although the rebate on second collection income is a much smaller portion of the total than the first is it still amounts to several thousand pounds of additional income per year. If you contribute to second collections please ask for second collection envelopes. This also applies to members who currently do not take second collection envelopes.

A final thought. How many of us have been contributing for very many years at the same amount per week or per month (for which the parish is very grateful) but have not thought of increasing our contribution as time progresses? This is the time to think if perhaps we could raise our contribution just a little. The system will cope with any adjustments we make in our giving during the year!

Parish St. Patrick's Night with

Parting Glass

Saturday 18th March 7.30 p.m.—Midnight

Church Hall Tickets £6

Anne 6330920 or Anne 633 1439

Baptism

We were delighted to welcome **Aiden John Steele & Ava Amanda Gilchrist** into the family of God last weekend through the Sacrament of Baptism. Our congratulations go out to their parents and godparents and to all members of their families.

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