



THE NAVIGATOR

PARISH NEWSLETTER

St Brendan's

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST 19TH JUNE 2022 Cycle C

At the conclusion of 11am Mass we will have a procession with the Most Blessed Sacrament through the Church grounds to the hall where we will celebrate Benediction. It is an opportunity for us to demonstrate our faith in the Eucharist and express our love for Jesus Christ who humbles himself to come to us in the form of bread.

THIS WEEK IN THE DIARY

Sunday:

- 11.00am** Mass followed by procession with the Most Blessed Sacrament
7.00pm Solemn Vespers, St. Andrew's Cathedral

Monday:

- 9.10am** Morning Prayer
9.30am Mass followed by Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
1.30pm Mass with St Brendan's School
3.00pm Divine Mercy
3.30pm Evening Prayer & Benediction

Tuesday: Memorial of St. Aloysius Gonzaga

- 9.10am** Morning Prayer
9.30am Mass

Wednesday: Opt. Memorial of St. John Fisher & St. Thomas More

- 7.00am** Mass

Fr. Joe's Day Off

Thursday: Solemnity of The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

- 9.10am** Morning Prayer
9.30am Rosary
5.30pm Mass
7.30pm Divine Mercy Prayer Group

BEGINNING OF PARISH MISSION

Friday: Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

- 9.10am** Morning Prayer
9.30am Mass followed by Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
3.00pm Divine Mercy
3.30pm Evening Prayer & Benediction
7.00pm Mission Talk by Fr. Charles

Saturday: Memorial of The Blessed Virgin Mary

- 9.10am** Morning Prayer
9.30am Mass
5.30pm Vigil Mass of Sunday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 10.30am-11am; 4.45pm-5.15pm

40 HOURS' ADORATION

Corpus Christi, Scotstounhill, Our Lady of Perpetual

Succour, Broomhill, Holy Cross, Croy

THE MASS TEXTS

Responsorial Psalm

You are a priest forever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 6:51

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven,
says the Lord.

Anyone who eats this bread will live forever.

REFLECTIONS ON THE READINGS

First Reading: Genesis 14: 18-20

Melchizedek brought bread and wine

Melchizedek, a name which means 'King of Justice' is described as a 'priest of God Most High'. His capital city is Jerusalem which means, 'Place of Peace'. It would seem to indicate he believed on One God and it is to this One God that he offers a sacrifice of bread and wine. It also seems to indicate that he is a King of Justice and of Peace. Abraham is returning after a great victory in battle and clearly accepts his priestly role and joins him offering the sacrifice of thanksgiving by giving him one tenth of the booty he had won in the battle.

Every Catholic priest, on the day of his Ordination to the priesthood, is described by the Church in these words: "You are a priest for ever, a priest like Melchizedek of old." He does not acquire the right to be ordained because he belongs to a 'priestly family' but is chosen by God through the Church for service in the one unique priesthood of Jesus Christ.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming the death of the Lord

It would seem, at the beginning of the Church, when the custom began of meeting every day to share in the breaking of the bread, as the Eucharist was first called, that the Christians would have a meal together. Problems had arisen which were causing divisions and tensions within the community and Paul is reminding them of the sacredness of the Eucharistic banquet. As we think today of the lack of respect which has arisen for the real presence of Christ in the Mass and in Holy Communion, his words can act as a salutary reminder to us of the sacredness of what we are doing and who it is we are receiving.

Gospel: Luke 9:11-17

The feeding of the five thousand

In today's Gospel we hear an account of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. We can see from the clear description of the numbers of the people involved the magnitude of the miracle which Jesus accomplished. Two aspects of the miracle to which we should pay attention are: first of all the unwillingness of the disciples to take responsibility for the hunger of the people and secondly the response of Jesus. The response of Jesus is to challenge them to do something about it from the small resources which are available. When these are brought to Jesus then

his grace changes the situation and there is enough food to feed everyone. As we think of our society today it is clear that, whilst there is no shortage of food in the world, people are not prepared to bring their resources to Jesus and to allow his blessing to come upon what we have. As a result, the greed and selfishness which grips the human heart prevail. As a result the poor and a hungry, in their millions, must go without. We are called to give thanks for what we have been given and, no matter how scarce our resources, to be willing to share.

RIP

John Hynd, Elizabeth Hughes, Bridie Halligan
and Rose Haffie

ANNIVERSARIES

David Miller, Annie Williamson, Jimmy Mitchell, Ina &
Willie Lothead and Philip Rooney

CORPUS CHRISTI SEQUENCE

**Behold the bread of angels, sent
for pilgrims in their banishment.**

**The bread for God's true children meant,
that may not unto dogs be given.**

**Oft in the olden types foreshowed;
In Isaac on the altar bowed,
and in the ancient paschal food,
and in the manna sent from heaven.**

**Come then, good shepherd, bread divine,
still show to us thy mercy sign;**

**Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine;
So may we see thy glories shine
in fields of immortality.**

**O thou, wisest, mightiest, best,
our present food, our future rest;**

**Come, make us each they chosen guest,
Co-heirs of thine, and comrades blest,
with saints whose dwelling is with thee.**

RIP Please remember in your prayers all those who have died especially our parishioners: John Hynd, Elizabeth Hughes, Bridie Halligan and Rose Haffie. We extend to all those who grieve and mourn our sincere condolences in their loss. The funeral rites for John Hynd took place last week; Bridie Halligan will be on 27th June at 6pm [Vigil and 28th June at 9.30am [Mass]; Rose Haffie, 3rd July [Vigil] and 4th July at 9.30am [Mass]; Elizabeth Hughes, Reception and Mass on 5th July at 9.30am. All three will be interred at Lambhill.

Open Doors: It is our hope that the church will continue to remain open throughout the day and John Dickson and Tom Greaves have undertaken to take responsibility for the security of the premises.

Solemn Vespers: The Archbishop invites us to join him at the Cathedral at 7pm tonight for sung Vespers. During this celebration the Synodal Report of the Archdiocese will be formally presented.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK is for Peter's Pence which is the Pope's Personal Charity: "The Church is all of us! All those who follow the Lord Jesus and who, in his name come close to the least and the suffering to offer a little relief and comfort" **Pope Francis**

PARISH MISSION PROGRAMME

24th to 27th June ,

The Mission will be conducted by Fr. Charles Randall a member of the Congregation of Our Most Holy Redeemer [Redemptorists]

Friday

9.30am Inaugural Mass

7.00pm Mission Talk

Sunday

11.00am Mass

7.00pm Mission Talk and Benediction

Monday

11am

Mass with the Anointing of the Sick and prayers for Healing

Sabbatical leave: I will leave the parish on 24th June and, God willing, will return on 31st August. During my absence Fr. Mathew Bonchi will provide cover. As he has already participated in our Sunday liturgy, we know him as a person. He is a member of the Society of Jesus [Jesuits], which is the same religious order as that to which Pope Francis belongs. He is a native of Cameroon but has seen pastoral service in various countries in the course of his formation for membership of the society and ordination to the priesthood. I am sure he will enjoy his ministry here and that we will greatly benefit from his wisdom and pastoral charity. Please keep me in your prayers as I will assuredly do for you.

ABIDE: WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT. A day retreat for ages 18-35, Saturday 25th June, from 1:00-9:30pm, in Bl John Duns Scotus, 270 Ballater Street, Gorbals, Glasgow, G5 0YT. Come and experience the grace of the Holy Spirit. Organised by Abba's Vineyard. Search @abbasvineyard, on social media, or email: abbasvineyard@gmail.com.

ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND HOSPICE: Recruitment Days Wednesday, 22nd June, 3pm - 6.30pm and Tuesday, 28th June, 10am - Noon. Held in the Education Centre. If interested in working at the hospice, register your interest in attending by phoning 0141 952 1141 or email humanresources@smh.org.uk

PIONEER TOTAL ABSTINENCE ASSOCIATION OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS: Mass for the Feast of the Sacred Heart will take place in St Francis Xavier's Church, Carfin on Friday 24th June at 7.30pm. All Welcome. Tea & Coffee will be served in the Hall after Mass

ST NINIAN'S: With effect from 2nd July onwards the Sunday Masses will be at 7pm [Vigil], 9am, 11am and 5pm. Daily Mass will be at 10am [Monday to Friday] and 9am [Saturday]

TENTH WORLD MEETING

OF FAMILIES

Rome 20-26th June 2022

"Family Love: a vocation and a path to Holiness."

We will be able to listen to and follow the meeting with the Holy Father via live streaming. Please take a prayer card.

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