

St Francis Xavier's, Carfin

Taylor Ave, Carfin, Motherwell ML1 5AJ



1st May 2022

Third Sunday of Easter

You are invited to celebrate MON **NO PUBLIC MASS** 8.00pm Holy Rosary in the grotto TUE 1.00pm Pilgrim's Mass (Glass chapel) 7.00pm **Novena to Untier of Knots** 8.00pm Holy Rosary in the grotto **WED** 9.15am **Exposition of Blessed Sacrament** 9.30am **Holy Rosary** 10.00am **Holy Mass** 8.00pm Holy Rosary in the grotto St Louise Primary EK will lead THU 9.15am **Exposition of Blessed Sacrament** 9.30am **Holy Rosary** 10.00am **Holy Mass** 7 - 7.30pm **Confessions** (note earlier finish) Holy Rosary in the grotto 8.00pm FRI 10.00am **Requiem Mass for Mary Tiffney** 8.00pm Holy Rosary in the grotto SAT 9.15am **Exposition of Blessed Sacrament** 10.00am **Holy Mass** 1.30pm **Nuptial Mass** (Glass chapel) 5.00pm Holy Mass (Vigil of Sunday) 8.00pm Holy Rosary in the grotto **SUN** 9.00am **Holy Mass** 11.00am **Holy Mass**

UPDATE ON RENOVATIONS IN CHURCH & GROTTO

Holy Rosary in the grotto

8.00pm

Work on the church has been postponed for a few weeks. The gyproc niches incorporating the statues will be tiled in a few week's time. The voile curtains are only a temporary measure to mask the unfinished work so that the church looks OK for First Communions and weddings.

Work has begun at Massabielle grotto to tidy up this area for the time being so that we can have the Holy Rosary during May. It will proceed over the next few months.

The new statues in the grotto have been sited and temporarily placed. I would hope to eventually heighten the podiums on which they stand. The same applies to the statue of the Sacred Heart which I originally planned for an area where I proposed to inter ashes. However it looks quite well where it is so I will probably create a higher podium and keep it there.



NOVENA TO 'OUR LADY, UNTIER OF KNOTS'

The Novena to 'Our Lady, Untier of Knots' will continue on <u>Tuesday this week</u> 7.00pm



MONTH OF MARY

Rosary in the Grotto every evening in May at 8.00pm.

WELCOME to our newest parishioners; Kamila Rosie Baj and Louie Bowman who were both baptised last weekend. *May their parents be not only the first but the best of parents in the ways of faith.*

CONGRATULATIONS to Nicola Reilly and Stephen Cooper who were married this Saturday and to Amy Strain and Darren Mitchell who will be married in the Glass chapel next Saturday. *May their married lives be long, happy and fulfilled.*

SINCERE SYMPATHIES to the family of Patricia McDonald whose funeral will take place on Wednesday 11th May at 10.00am Mass. *May she rest in peace and rise in glory.*

LEGION OF MARY The 'First Saturday Rosary Prayers will be recited before 10.00am Mass next Saturday. The Legion of Mary have volunteered to host 4 hours of prayer, before the Blessed Sacrament exposed on the altar, every first Saturday from 12.00noon till 4.00pm. This will normally take place in the Glass chapel but because there will be a wedding in the Glass chapel this Saturday, the Eucharistic exposition will take place in the church (in the former Blessed Sacrament chapel).

CONGRATULATIONS to Canon Joseph Clements who celebrated his Diamond Jubilee of Ordination on Friday 29th April.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS IN MAY

There are two special collections during May:

Fourth Sunday of Easter 8th May Sick and Retired Priests Seventh Sunday of Easter 29th May Communications

My sincerest thanks



to parishioner, Mhari Canning, who has assisted me over 12 years as a housekeeper in Holy Family, Mossend and the Bishops Conference Office, Airdrie and as a PA in St Francis Xavier's, Carfin. Mhari understandably wants to spend more time with her grandchildren and has decided to step down from this role. I thank her personally for all that she has done for me and on your behalf, I thank her for the role she has played in administration in the parish and the grotto. We wish her a well earned rest and many happy years to enjoy her grandchildren.

Thank you Mhari

ST ANDREW'S HOSPICE

MIDNIGHT WALK SATURDAY 18 JUNE, 2022

The Midnight Walk starts and finishes at Ravenscraig Regional Sports Facility - 8, 10 and 13 mile walking options. The event is open to men and women. Registration fee: £20 per person (+ P&P for t-shirt)

Walk in memory of a friend or loved one, as a way of keeping fit or simply to do something a little different on a Saturday night – whatever your reasons, please remember that by taking part, you are giving our patients and their loved ones the opportunity to make lasting memories together.

We would love to make this the biggest and best Midnight Walk yet! You can help us by asking your friends, family and colleagues to join you. Join us for some fun warm-ups and entertainment before setting off. The route is well lit and marshals will be on hand throughout.

Sign up at www.st-andrews-hospice.com/events or call Nadine Pender on 01236 766951

LET US REMEMBER PRAYER

Recently Dead; Mary Tiffany, Mary Heffernan, Patricia McDonald. Canon Michael Walsh, *former PP of St Aloysius, Chapelhall,* Maria O'Neill, Winnie Docherty, Agnes Lennon, Pat Moran, Teddy Kane, Robert & Brenda Black, Jim Clarkson, Margaret McClenaghan, Ann O'Hara, Hugh McLaughlin, Brendan Murphy, Mary Doherty, Catherine Rattigan, Neil Haggerty

Anniversary; Agnes Riordan, Marie McGahan Murray, John Murray

Months Mind; Gerald Riordan, John Riordan, Aileen Smith, Joseph & Annie Hughes, Kathleen Hughes, Michael & Gwyneth Clark, George & Susan Ilgunas, Caroline Clinton

May they rest in peace and rise in glory

I would greatly appreciate it if intimations could be handed in by <u>WEDNESDAY 8.00pm</u>



'CARFIN CHORISTERS'

St. Francis Xavier's Church, is starting up a new Children's Choir to sing alongside the Parish Choir at the 11am Sunday Mass once a month. This children's choir - **The 'Carfin Choristers'** - is for children in primary school (p3-p7). Children from all schools are welcome to join.

WHEN? Wednesdays 6.00pm - 7.30pm

(weekly during term time)

Sunday mornings 10.30am – 12.00pm

(once a month during term time)

WHERE? St. Francis Xavier's Church, Carfin

WHAT? Music education & theory, singing tui-

tion & choral singing (& refreshment break)

COST? FREE!!

BEGINS? THIS COMING WEDNESDAY

This is an extracurricular activity and not connected to a particular school.

Please email Kevin to register interest:

kevjamcam@gmail.com

NEW MUSIC GROUP rehearsal on Friday at 6.00pm for the Vigil Masses over the next three weekends (First Communions).

Does anyone know a flautist?



Over the next three weeends, the reading at the vigil Mass and 11.00am Mass will be proclaimed by a First Communicant.

READERS NEXT WEEKEND

5.00pm Vigil First Holy Communion child

Sun 9.00am Gerry McGlone

Sun 11.00am First Holy Communion child

COLLECTION LAST WEEK

Loose & GiftAid £ 1571

Standing Orders £ 210 Total £ 1781

