

ST. MARK'S PARISH NEWSLETTER – 10th October, 2021

28th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)

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WEEKLY MASS TIMES

INTENTION

Saturday 9 th Vigil (5.00 pm)	Kathleen Leslie (Ann)
Sunday 10 th (10.00 am)	People of The Parish
Tuesday 12 th (10.00 am)	Pat Travers (Ann)
Thursday 14 th (10.00 am)	Enrolment - PFF Awards Special Intention

PARISH & DIOCESAN NEWS

WELCOME If you are just visiting our parish today, we bid you welcome. If this is the first time you have been to Mass for a while, welcome back! We hope our time together unites us in God's love.

GOOD NEWS! We can now open up our hall for refreshments after Mass on Sundays! There will be tea, coffee, squash and biscuits. All are welcome especially those who are new to our parish. Refreshments are free but donations will be collected for various charities. We also have a shelf of paperbacks which are sold (at £1 each) for SCIAF. Please come for 10 or 15 minutes after Mass. If anyone is interested in helping out in any way, please contact the parish office.

WANTED: Does anyone have a baby changing table which they no longer need? It would be nice to have this in the church toilets together with some spare nappies, wipes and plastic toddler stools for our youngest parishioners. If you have any of these please speak to Jacquie 07980841931. Thank you.

READERS, PASSKEEPERS & CLEANERS: we are always looking for additional people who would like to join our current group of volunteers who welcome parishioners into the church for our masses, those who do the readings during the Liturgy of the Word and those who help to keep the church clean and tidy for all church occasions. If you feel you can offer up some of your time and would like to help in any of these areas, please talk to Fr. Seán after any mass or contact the parish office via phone or email.

ALTAR SERVERS: if there is anyone who would like to be an altar server, or know of anyone who would like to be an altar server please talk to Fr. Seán after any mass or contact the parish office via phone or email and we can begin to organise participation at both the vigil and Sunday Mass.

MASS INTENTIONS: When requesting a Mass to be said for a specific reason, it would be helpful to use a Mass Intention Envelope for each request detailing the name for whom the Mass is to be offered and the purpose of the intention *ie* death, anniversary, special intention etc. Although it may not always be possible to fulfil every request should a specific date be chosen, Fr Seán will endeavour to accommodate as close to the date specified.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: Parents are asked to view the timetable for our sacramental preparation programme 2021/2022 which can be found on the parish website.

<http://stmarksrchurch-edinburgh.org.uk/> Please put the various dates into your diary. Any queries, contact the parish office.

40 HOURS EUCHARISTIC DEVOTION Our Parish has been allotted the date of the 12th of December – the 3rd Sunday of Advent. This devotion will involve 40 hours of Eucharistic

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. In order to gauge the manner in how we can achieve this there will be sign-up sheets at the back of the church for those who would like to participate. You can also sign up by emailing or calling the parish office leaving your name and a contact number. Depending on the response to this activity will determine the manner in which we can realistically achieve it.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK If you know of a forthcoming visit to hospital involving serious illness or an operation and you wish to receive the Sacrament of Anointing, please speak to Fr Seán and arrange to be anointed before admission. Please be aware that the administration of the Sacraments are for the living.

Once in hospital, if you wish the Sacraments [Holy Communion, Confession, Anointing] please ensure that you make your wishes known to the hospital chaplaincy through the charge nurse on the ward. Please do not leave your request to the last minute as you may not be guaranteed an immediate response.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM If you wish to have your child baptised, please arrange an appointment with Fr. Seán either after Mass, by calling the parish office or send an email to the above listed email address. Please remember that at least one of the child's parents should be a practicing Catholic as should one of the chosen Godparents/Sponsors.

DEMENTIA: HOPE ON A DIFFICULT JOURNEY: An event for those supporting friends or family with dementia will be held at the Gillis Centre, Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, from 2-4pm on Saturday 6 November. A talk will be led by Dr Adrian Treloar, and there will be a chance to share experiences before a time of prayer in St Margaret's Chapel, onsite. Light refreshments will be served. The event is organised by the Archdiocesan Marriage & Families Commission. To register please visit bit.ly/DementiaEvent2021

SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER: The latest edition of the Safeguarding Matters newsletter from the Bishop's Conference of Scotland is available at www.bcos.org.uk/safeguarding

COP26 GUIDE: SCIAF has produced a summary guide for COP26, the UN Climate change conference, which takes place in Glasgow from 31 October to 12 November. Find it at: bit.ly/COP26Guide

WHITE MASS: A White Mass for doctors, nurses and all healthcare workers in Scotland in gratitude for their service throughout the Covid pandemic takes place at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, at midday on Sunday 17th October. All are welcome to attend.

ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER should reach the parish office no later than 12 noon each Thursday.

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: £981.30 Thank you for supporting your parish. Without your contributions the work of God's church would not be possible.

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Please pray for those whose Anniversaries occur during the month of October:

Thomas Catterall, George O'Neill, Bill Williams, Sarah Stone, James Haley, Alan Wernick, Arnold Manning, Elizabeth Fenton, James Farmer, Mary Sinclair, Bernard Burns, Ida Robertson, Betty Lynch, Sr Cathy, Elizabeth Flynn, Mary Mackay, Andrew Spalding, John MacDonald, Rose Allison, Sarah Kennedy, Neil Campbell, Steven Ellis, Eddie Madden, Graham Dickson, Margaret Regan, Ranald Grant, Winifred Munro, Betty Martin, Kate Cairns, Isabella O'Keefe, John McMillan, Henry O'Connor, Charlie Joyce, Michael Hand, William Ford, Robert Burns, Father James Henry, Mary Smith, Susan Barr, Sarah Bishop, Sarah Noble, John Dailey, Sarah Elizabeth Hughes, Tom Lamb, Anna Ellison, John Murphy, Mary McGuire, Rab Broadfoot, Richard Dickinson, Chris Nicol, Nan Scott, Ralph Catterall, Thomas Murray, Helen MacLean, Annie Keatings, Mary McIvor, John McManus, Eric Cattrall, Jack Power, Leslie Peutherer, Hannah Timmons, Bernard Dunlevy, Mary Durnan, Charles McKenna, Marta Glaser, John Wood, George Moir, Annie Guille, George Palmer, Sandra Deans, Anne Roisin Lamb, Margaret "Rita" Uffendell, Emilia Biernat and Bruce McFadyen.

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