

**PRAYER AT THE SENDING OUT OF THE EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**

Priest: Almighty and loving Father, as we have received your Son in this Holy Eucharist, we ask you to hear our prayer for our brothers and sisters:

All: **Give your healing, Lord, to those who are sick and housebound. May those who take the Body of Christ to them also be a loving sign of our prayers and thoughts. Keep us united with them in all their sufferings so that we will grow together as one community with the presence of Christ among us.**

Please Pray For

SICK Harry Docherty; Jane Cameron; George O'Hara; Frank Slavin; Donna & Patricia McGuire; Marie Laird; Patricia Pearson; Pamela Brown; Fr Jim Casey; Peter McKenna; Catherine Anderson, Margaret Hassan; Anne Mullins; Robbie McNaughton; Patti Brassington; Richard Hughes, Jean Reilly; Simon Logan, Gordon Law, Fiona McCall; Marion Fox; Margaret Bachiller; Jimmy Kinsella; Eleanor Hughes; George McGowan; Brian Smith; Graeme Wood; Catherine Nolan; Catherine Hughes; Marie West; Alison Coogan; Harry McCrossan; Gerard Corbett; Patricia Nolan; Danny Moran; Mary Graham; David Clegg; Rosanna & Joe Bulmer; Conor Jameson; Jamie Hillen; Catherine Anderson; Dillon McLauchlan; David Muir; Betty Wassell; Grace & Sandy Abernethy; Bernadette McLaughlin; Thomas Killeen jnr; Jean Pearson; Liam Benham; June Wood; Linda Russell; Peter Dean; Sr Josephine McGuigan; John McGuigan
Children: Zak Matthew Thomson; Corran Davidson; Jade Law; Megan Macauley; Chloe Docherty; Caoimhe Lamb, Aaron Higgins, Aaron Matthew Hosie; Isabella Mooney; Connor Simpson; Avannah Baillie; Lucia Jane Gavin; Aeden

REQUIESCANT IN PACE

RECENTLY DIED

Andrew Divers; Chrissie Drummond; Cathy Malone; Fr Andy O'Sullivan

ANNIVERSARIES Tommy Ferguson; John McGhee; James & Agnes McCormack;

David Burnett; Beverly Scott Milika; Margaret Connor Scott; James McCormick; Charlie Bartlett; John O'Brien; Peter McAnaw; Karen Donnelly; Mary Rowley, William McCamley, Tom Sloey John Francis Feenan, William Mooney; Michael Clark, Helen Gallagher; Catherine & William Ferries; Annie Briody

MONTHS MINDS Peter McAlinden; Bill McQuade

PRAYER TO PREPARE FOR LENT

Forgive those things we have done which have caused you sadness,
and those things we should have done
that would have brought you joy.

In both we have failed ourselves, and you.

Bring us back to that place where our journey began,
when we said that we would follow
the way that you first trod.

Lead us to the Cross and meet us there. Amen

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6th Sunday of Year B
10/11th February 2018

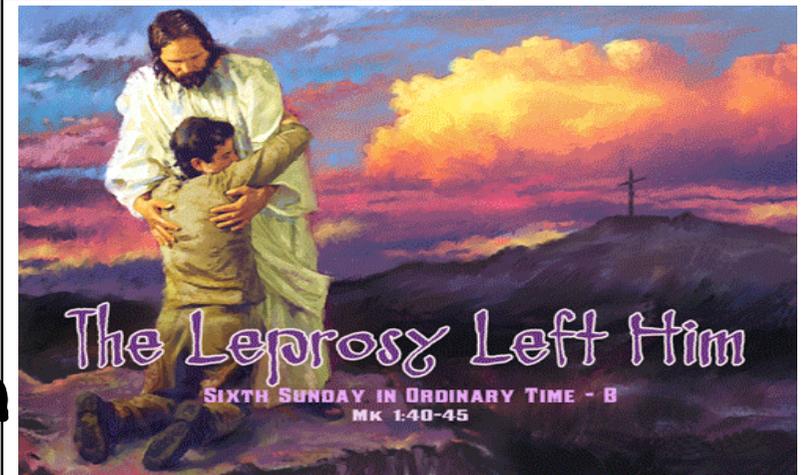
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Lord, teach me to be generous.
Teach me to serve you
as you deserve;
to give and not to count the cost,
to fight
and not to heed the wounds,
to toil and not to seek for rest,
to labour and
not to ask for any reward,
save that of knowing that I do
your will.



St. Ignatius'



SUNDAY MASSES: Vigil: 5:30 pm (Sat), 10 am, 12 noon 6pm
WEEKDAY: Mon-Fri 9:30am; Sat 10am *Thurs Exposition till 4pm*
CONFESSIONS: *Saturday 9:30am and after the Vigil Mass*
Church open till 1pm Mon; Fri; till 4pm Tues, Wed, Thurs

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Today 11th Feb is the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of Prayer for the Sick. I am in Lourdes for the business meeting for our diocesan pilgrimage. You are all in my prayers at Mass today

LENT 2018

Mass during Lent at 8:20am especially for school children This Mass is open to parents & Parishioners.

Please come along

Mass Mon - Fri at 9:30am

Stations of the Cross Monday 7pm preceded by confessions at 6:30pm

Stations After 9:30am Mass on Tues and at 1pm on Fridays led by the school

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mon to Fri after Mass till 4pm (Divine Mercy 3-4pm Thurs)

Please make a regular time to be with the Lord every week

Rosary 9:10am

Please take a **SCIAF Wee Box** from the porch for your Lenten Alms.

PARISH PASSOVER MEAL FOLLOWED BY GALILEAN SUPPER ON FRI 23RD MARCH

Lenten Tuesdays this year we will watch the DVD Priest, Prophet and King after 9:30am Mass on Tues in Loyola Centre beginning 20th Feb

Opera Glasgow Concert Hall

M Butterfly Wed 28th Feb Tickets and Bus £30 List at back of the Church

Annual Parish Quiz Night

Fri 9th March. Tickets on sale from Sun 4th Feb in the Loyola Centre after Sunday Mass 11-1 and 6:30pm

Last Week's Collection £2020

2nd for Hall extension £976

1 £10 Winner New Lotto Total £3571

Many thanks for your generosity

Donations for flowers most welcome. Box at Our Lady's Altar



ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES AT 8:20am, 9:30am and 7pm.

A wee reminder to bow your head just before receiving Holy Communion in respect and gratitude

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Tuesday 27th February. Please keep the pupil of P6/7 in your prayers

Congratulations to our Akela, Evelyn Anne Gray on 30 years of service

Pioneers of Sacred Heart

Short Term Pledge to give up alcohol for Lent. Prayer cards at back of Church

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage for 2018 will be from 20th-27th July. Cost approx. £850 incl flight from Edinburgh, insurance, full board.

Booking forms for sick and ablebodied pilgrims available in the sacristy

Parish Trip to Italy visiting Bologna (tomb of St Dominic), Gubbio (where St Francis tamed the wolf) and Fano From 10-17th Sept. There are a few places available— if you would like to go speak to Fr Gerry

Day by Day for Lent on sale now

Congratulations to Kieran Tierney who was baptised last weekend and his family

Facebook St. Ignatius' RC Church
1431 likes Have a look and comment!

Wishaw Hospital Chaplain Fr Ricklan for emergency/visit please ask nurse to contact chaplain or call 263945

SVDP Tel: 07840142894 for help.

Furniture Collection Diocesan SVDP
07749467335 Volunteers welcome

GIFT AID— please use white envelope in porch for 2nd collection.

Loyola Centre: booking and enquiries tel: 07939606107 10am-2pm Mon-Fri, Bingo Sunday 7:15pm; Tea Room Mon- Fri after Mass Beavers/Cubs/Scouts Mon 5:45

Lent is a season of being invited by God in a deeply personal way. "Come back to me, with all of your heart," our Lord beckons. "We will," we respond, but we aren't quite ready yet, our hearts are not prepared. We want to squirm, evade, avoid. Our souls not yet perfect. We are not ready for God to love us.

Yes, of course we want to have a deeper relationship with God, we tell ourselves earnestly. And we will... Soon. God calls to us again: Come back to me, with all of your heart. Ok, ok, I really will. Just a few more things to do at work. Let me spend a little more time in prayer first. Let me get to Reconciliation. Let me clean my oven, tidy my closets. Sell my yoke of oxen. Check a field I have purchased....

Come back to me, with all of your heart. It is an extraordinary invitation to each one of us. To me in a personal, individual way. God invites me to drop the defences that I hold up between myself and God. All God wants is for me to realize that my standards, my way of judging and loving are so very different from God's way, and so much smaller. God offers an entire Lent season, an entire lifetime, of loving me unconditionally, no matter what I have done or how much I think I have hidden from God.

From the first day of Lent, the Ash Wednesday readings make God's call to us clear: "Return to me with your whole heart." "A clean heart create for me, O God," Psalm 51 offers. "Give me back the joy of your salvation." That is exactly what our loving God wants to give us, the joy of salvation. Lent falls in winter and these days are cold and dark, perfect for hiding ourselves indoors, perfect for hiding from God - or so we imagine. But our God is insistent, loving, gently prodding. God is the parent of the Prodigal Child, waiting faithfully, eagerly on the road for our return, night after night. There are no folded arms and stern judging stares, only the straining eyes of a parent eager for our return, longing to embrace us and rejoice in us. Yet we spend so much time trying to think of how to return and what to say, how to begin the conversation. It's only when we finally appear after so much time away, embarrassed and confused, that we understand we don't have to say anything. We only have to show up.

Look up there on the road ahead of us: our loving God is jumping up and down for joy. The invitation to us has been heard. We have returned home!

CONFIRMATION GIFTS AND CARDS ON SALE IN THE STALL

After she woke up, a woman told her husband, "I just dreamed you gave me a diamond necklace for Valentine's Day. What do you think it means?"

"You'll know tonight," he said. That evening the husband came home with a small package and gave it to his wife. Delighted, she opened it--to find a book entitled "The Meaning of Dreams."

A man and his wife were having an argument about who should brew the coffee each morning. The wife said, "You should do it, because you get up first, and then we don't have to wait as long to get our coffee." The husband said, "You are in charge of the cooking around here so you should do it, because that is your job, and I can just wait for my coffee." Wife replies, "No, you should do it, and besides it says in the Bible that the man should do the coffee." Husband replies, "I can't believe that! Show me." So she fetched the Bible, and opened the New Testament and showed him at the top of several pages, that it indeed says, "HEBREWS."