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TRINITY SUNDAY (B) 26TH MAY 2024

HOLY MASS	Tues	7.00 pm at St Anthony's	Sat	9.30 am at Anthony's
	Wed	09.30 am at St Mark's		5 pm Vigil at St Mark's
	Thu	09.30 am at St Anthony's	Sun	10.00 am at St Mark's
			Sun	11.30 am at St Anthony's (and Baptism Rory David McDowall)
	Fri	9.30 am at St Mark's	Sun	5.00 pm at St Anthony's
HOLY ROSARY	Tuesday	6.30pm at St Anthony's	Wed	9.10 am at St Mark's (month of May)
	Thursday	9am at St Anthony's	Saturday	9.10am at St Anthony's (month of May)
CONFESSION				
Saturday 9-9.20am St Anthony's;		Saturday 4.30-4.50pm St Mark's;		Sunday 4.30-4.50pm St Anthony's

SUNDAY READINGS

Reading 1	Deut 4:32-34,39-40	The Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other.
Psalms	Ps 32	Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own. .
Reading 2	Rom 8:14-17	You received the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' .
Gospel Acclamation		Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, the God who is, who was, and who is to come.
Gospel	Matt 28:16-20	Baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who died recently, especially: Eleanor Sutton (funeral Thursday 30th May 9.30am St Mark's); Desmond Quigley, John Heffernan, Margaret Jordan, May Shields.

Month's Mind: David Capaldi (6 months)

All sick and housebound of the Parish: Pauline Mahon; Mary McColgan; Ella Connolly, Isa Daniels, Finn McGuinness, Hope McKenna, May O'Donnell, Margaret Rice; Annie O'Donnell.; Sandra Morgan; Neil Morton; Steven Murphy

ST ANTHONY'S PRIMARY SUMMER FAYRE

The summer fayre will take place on Sunday 2nd June in the grounds of St Anthony's school and in the school itself, from 12 noon until 3pm. There will be lots of different stalls, fun and activities, and all money raised will go towards educational equipment and opportunities for the pupils. Please do consider going straight over from 11.30am Mass that week, or later in the afternoon.

SUMMARY OF WELLSRING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

We had a very successful and enjoyable Wellspring Parish Council meeting on Tuesday night, when we discussed the pastoral priorities established at the meeting in November. All participants were invited to choose a priority and discuss in a small group the progress, current situation and possible future development.

For the next few weeks we'll have a spotlight on the various priorities. This week the spotlight is on: **Parish Fabric**

- the small group spoke about the noticeable improvements especially at St Anthony's: the heating system running well; the new church carpet; the side chapel refurbishment; as well as the improved sound system and smooth livestream in both churches. Fr Stephen added that the improvements at St Mark's are either less noticeable (new disability access ramp for the hall; hall pathway lighting and slabbing; insulation in the parish house and church; addressing damp in the choir loft) or are in progress (destratification fans for the church [see below]; solution to damp above the choir area; disability access ramp for the church). The Fabric Committee has worked very hard on these issues and deserves a lot of congratulations.

- the small group noted ongoing problems as follows: heating at St Mark's during the winter; question over the future of halls for both churches; St Anthony's grounds needing cleared of weeds; and the future of St Anthony's chapel house. Fr Stephen explained the idea behind the destratification fans for St Mark's church: they are used in supermarkets, airports, factories etc, and they circulate the air by pushing a jet of air downwards from ceiling level. In this way the strata (hottest air high up in the building; coldest at the bottom, and varying degrees in the middle) are equalised, so that more of the warm air remains where it is needed, at pew level. They will be installed very soon. Look out also for an announcement very soon which should clarify the future use of St Anthony's house, hall and side chapel. Please also see the request below for volunteers to help weed the St Anthony's grounds next weekend. If we have enough budget for this year (after the modifications which may be necessary once we have completed an inventory of fire safety and health and safety), the first 'luxury' item will be the renovation of the underside of the kneelers at St Mark's.

- the small group noted finally that if all parishioners continue to take pride in our buildings and respond in small ways when they see an opportunity to keep the parish buildings neat and tidy, it will really help to keep our parish fabric in good shape.

ST MARK'S FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND NEW SCOTS THANKS

What a weekend we had at St Mark's last week! Between the First Holy Communion on Saturday and the Thanksgiving Mass and New Scots celebration on Sunday, there was joy in abundance. A huge thank you to everyone involved in the preparation and organisation of these events, especially the parents, school, musicians and New Scots team. Hopefully this will be the beginning of something special in our parish. There are excellent photos of the events on our parish Facebook and Twitter (see front of bulletin for links).

PRAISE IN THE PARK

St Anthony and St Mark's parish is a proud member of Rutherglen Churches Together. Our big idea to celebrate Landemer this year is to host a 'Praise in the Park' event in Overton Park on Sunday 2nd June from 12 noon-2pm. People can bring along a picnic and join in. There will be family games run by the Reachout Trust, and communal hymn singing from 12.30pm led by the Salvation Army band, Fr Stephen, and Rev. Neil Watson from Stonelaw Church (whose church is also the wet weather Plan B venue).

FOODBANK NEWS

This week we welcomed 100 visitors to our Foodbanks. Thanks to the continued generosity of our Parishioners, The City Charitable Trust, The ASN group from Lifestyles, community donations and the pupils at Loch Primary as were able to support everyone. This week we are running low on sugar, jam, washing up liquid, biscuits nappies and wipes. Any donation can be left at the back of both Churches, in Le Sorelle and Jingers in Burnside.

Tickets for our Quiz night on 15th June are on sale now!

WEEDING SATURDAY AT ST ANTHONY'S NEXT WEEK. As noted at the Parish Council meeting, the grounds and flower beds at St Anthony's could do with a tidy and weeding, which we will undertake after morning Mass next Saturday 1st June: please consider coming along to lend a hand.

ST ANTHONY'S CLEANING TEAM The team cleans the church on a Thursday after the morning Mass, and they would welcome one or two new members: would you consider joining them?

ALPHA PROGRAMME CONCLUDING

Our first attempt at running an Alpha programme in the parish is drawing to a close, with the final session taking place this Tuesday 28th May at 5.45 in the side chapel at St Anthony's, followed by the concluding Holy Spirit retreat on Saturday 8th June from 10am-3pm at St Anthony's. Alpha has shown its potential for pastoral transformation up and down the country, so we thank all who have been part of the pilot: we intend to run an Alpha again this autumn which will be bigger and better!

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO IONA 4TH - 6TH OCTOBER: FORMS PLEASE!

If you are travelling with us to the parish pilgrimage to Iona in October can you please return your booking form asap: thanks!

QR CODE FOR PARISH GIVING If parishioners or visitors would prefer to use their mobile phones to make a donation at Sunday Mass, then please feel free to use the QR code.

