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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B) 27TH OCTOBER 2024

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT for 30mins before each weekday / Sat morning Mass				
HOLY MASS	Tues 7.00 pm at St Anthony's (with St Anthony Novena) Sat 5	5.00 pm Vigil at St Mark's		
	Wed 9.30 am at St Mark's Sun 1	0.00 am at St Mark's		
	Thu 9.30 am at St Anthony's Sun 1	1.30 am at St Anthony's		
	Fri 9.30 am at St Mark's (with Sacred Heart Novena) Sun	5.00 pm at St Anthony's		
	Sat 9.30 am at St Anthony's			
HOLY ROSARY	Tues 6.30 pm at St Anthony's Wed 9	2.10 am at St Mark's		
	Thu NO ROSARY at St Anthony's Sat 9	2.10am at St Anthony's		
CONFESSION	Sat 9-9.20am St Anthony's Sat 4.30-4.50pm St Mark's	Sun 4.30-4.50pm St Anthony's		

SUNDAY READINGS

Reading 1	Jer 31:7-9	I will comfort the blind and the lame as I lead them back.
Psalm	Ps 125 r.3	What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.
Reading 2	Heb 5:1-6	You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.
Acclamation	John 8:12	I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life.
Gospel	Mark 10:46-52	Master, let me see again.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who died recently, especially: Patrick Edelsten; Christine Calikes Anniversaries: Margaret Cassidy

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

IMPORTANT CHANGE COMING: NEW TRANSLATION OF THE LECTIOANRY

As of the First Sunday of Advent (1st December) we will have a new translation of the readings at Mass. Fr Bernard at St Columbkille's has very kindly invited our parishioners to learn about this change at a joint parish workshop on the new Lectionary led by Fr Paul Denney in **St Columbkille's** Parish Hall on **Tuesday 12th November at 7pm**. It is open to ALL parishioners, but it is MANDATORY for all Readers to attend so that they can be well prepared for the changes to come.

COMMUNITY CHOIR CHANGE OF EVENING AND VENUE UPDATE

The Community Choir met for the first time in their new slot of **Tuesday** evening from 7.30-8.30pm at St Anthony's. It's fair to say it was a big success, with some new faces, and also some of the choir providing the music for the Mass and novena at 7pm. Please consider joining us: we're also building up to exciting choir-led events like the Carols by Candlelight and the Taizé service, so please come along and enjoy the excitement!

LEPRA APPEAL NEXT WEEKEND

Next weekend we will have an appeal by Lepra. Lepra seeks to provide better detection, treatment and support mechanisms for those with leprosy, to advocate for those without a voice, to challenge prejudice wherever it exists, to strengthen local health systems and to help provide sustainable healthcare in partnership with local communities. We'll take up a second collection for the their work.

MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to last week's collection for Missio Scotland which totalled £953

ALL SAINTS DAY HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION INFO

This Friday is the Feast of All Saints which is a Holyday of Obligation, meaning that Catholics are obliged to fulfil their duty to attend Mass is the same way as they are on a Sunday. Masses will be celebrated in the parish at the following times:

Thursday Vigil Mass 7pm St Mark's Friday 2pm St Mark's **Primary School** (parishioners very welcome) Friday 9.30am St Anthony's

NOVEMBER LISTS AND ALL SOULS MASS

These are now available at the back of both churches.. Please complete your list and return in the envelope along with any donation. Those on your November lists will be remembered in prayer at every parish Mass during the month of November.

Please also consider coming along to Mass on Saturday morning, which is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, where we will have a special opportunity to remember and pray for all of our loved ones who have died.

SSVP FOCUS THIS WEEKEND

We're blessed in our parish with an active and dedicated Society of St Vincent de Paul group. This Sunday they'll be telling us about their work, how people in need can access support, and how you can get involved. You'll also get a flyer on the way out of Mass.

ENROLMENT FOR THE SACRAMENTS FOR CHILDREN IN THE PARISH

As discussed at the parents meetings on Thursday, this year all families wishing their children to be prepared for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion or Confirmation must enrol them with the parish using a form. This is now a requirement requested by the Diocese, as well as being the same as we do for the Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage. Parents can access the forms by contacting the parish in any way convenient to them: in person, by email, or by phone. Forms are required to be completed and returned by the Enrolment Masses on Sunday 17th Nov 10am (St Mark's) or Sunday 24th Nov 11.30am (St Anthony's). Thanks.

ALPHA PROCESS CONTINUES THIS THURSDAY

Many thanks to the 16 people who came along to the opening night of the Alpha process. Alpha is of value to everyone, as it educates us about our faith and helps us to engage with deeper questions and discussion. In this way we can be ready to share our faith with confidence and enthusiasm. Alpha will resume on **Thursday 31st October** at 7.30-8.30pm in the side chapel at St Anthony's.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS CONGRATULATIONS

After our final altar server training session last Thursday, we now have no less that 9 new altar servers across our two churches, and we look forward to seeing the new recruits on the altar in the months and years to come.

PARISH TUTORING FINAL CALL: PLEASE SIGN-UP

Our free parish tutoring service will begin this week **IF THERE ARE ENOUGH PUPILS INTERESTED**. The subjects available are Maths, Biology and History, and you can choose which one you'd like to receive support in by using this Google doc: https://forms.office.com/r/ynxF4QFj2H, or by contacting Charlotte at stanthonystmark@gmail.com.

FOODBANK NEWS

We welcomed 100 visitors to our Foodbanks this week.

Thanks to our Parishioners, The City Charitable Trust and local donations we were able to support everyone.

We must thank an anonymous local resident who kindly gave us a financial donation as well as a local company who have given us a donation via South Lanarkshire Council Community Wishlist. We are very grateful for all support given. This week we are asking for donations of **biscuits** if possible. We will put them aside as special treats for Christmas time. Many thanks.

NOVENA OF ST THERESE CONCLUDING MASS AT ST COLUMBKILLE'S

The parish of St Columbkille's, Rutherglen welcomes you to join them for Mass on Monday October 28th at 7pm to conclude the novena to St Therese. Mass will be celebrated by Fr Francis McGachey, with blessing of roses.

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.