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This Week in the Parish

Sunday

11.00am Mass
6.00pm Mass
5.00pm Evening Prayer & Benediction

Monday

9.10am Morning Prayer
9.30am Mass

Tuesday

9.10am Morning Prayer
9.30am Mass

Wednesday

9.10am Morning Prayer
9.30am Mass

Fr. Joe's Day off

Thursday

Memorial of St. Raymond of Penyafort

9.10am Morning Prayer
9.30am Mass

Friday

9.10am Morning Prayer
9.30am Mass

Saturday

Christmas Mass of Our Lady

9.10am Morning Prayer
9.30am Mass

Confessions

10.30-11.00am
5.45 - 6.15pm

6.30pm Vigil Mass

parent? Call St. Margaret's Children & Family Care Society.

Archdiocese of Glasgow Parish Collections Received 2008/09 – please see Notice Board

Forty Hours Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Schedule for 2009/10 – see Notice Board

Scrapbooking for Beginners – North Glasgow College Leaflets at back of Church

Christmas Message from Archbishop Copies at back of Church

Parish Finance MANY THANKS 13th December

First Collection	£187.94
GAD	£328.80
St. Nicholas Fund	£262.55
St. Nicholas GAD	£195.18
St. Margarets	£116.00

20th December

First Collection	£225.31
GAD	£368.76
Approved Fund	£172.10
GAD	£213.65

Christmas Day

GAD	£573.36
GAD	£390.00

27th December

First Collection	£223.38
GAD	£263.35
Approved	£166.78
GAD	£195.85

This Sunday the Second Collection is for Justice & Peace Scotland Next Sunday for Pro-life

Catholic Families Scotland Conference on 16 January 2010 at Turnbull Hall, Glasgow. Contact

www.catholicfamilies.org.uk

Archdiocese Justice & Peace Commission – Connect & Encourage – Christmas Card Campaign Where did you spend this Christmas? Would you like

to send a card during the festive season to someone persecuted/imprisoned for his beliefs? - List of addresses available on Notice Board

Justice & Peace Commission If you would like a free sample copy of the Justice & Peace Magazine during January, or further details, please contact the National Office (0141-333-0238)

Bill Waddell RIP Mary and the rest of the family would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude. Thanks to Father McAuley for his spiritual support. Thanks to the music groups for attending both the vigil and funeral mass and we know that Bill would have been proud of you all. To all who helped provide the catering and for looking after everyone in the hall so well and also to everyone who assisted in the preparation of the Church on both days. Finally, to the community of St Lucy's for their help and support over a difficult couple of weeks for which we are eternally grateful.

Charity in Truth: *Caritas in veritate*. A workshop presented by Mary Cullen, Head of Education and communication at SCIAF on the content and implications of Pope Benedict's recent Encyclical in the Eyre Hall, Archdiocesan Offices, 196 Clyde St on Sat., 9 January from 10.30am-1pm.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ

I am very sorry that I was unable to provide all the services I would have like in the run-up to Christmas and during the Christmas period due to what turns out to have been a virus. I was especially sorry that I could not provide and schedule for Confessions during such a holy season and I hope you were able to receive the sacrament at some of the surrounding parishes.

Gratitude

Whilst it was frustrating being unable to carry out my work, it filled me with a deep sense of

gratitude to so many different people not only for the support given to me when I was sick but throughout the year. Gratitude and also of inadequacy at my inability, in some tangible way, to try to acknowledge and repay all the kindness and support I have received. A Novena of Masses will be offered for all who have been so good to me for Christ's sake.

Thanks

I wish also to thank all of those who serve us here in the parish throughout the course of the year: There are so many who give themselves generously to serve in the celebration of the sacred liturgy and other services in the Church, the cleaning of the Church and hall, flowers, running the hall and its services, taking part in meetings, reaching out to the sick and parishioners in their homes, banking, fabric & finance, secretarial duties etc.

Mass Times

Whilst it is not a comment I readily respond to, the advice I received from several of my colleagues was that I needed to slow down. This prolonged spell of being indisposed has made me rethink my ministry in the parish and all the other commitments I have at a Diocesan and personal level. I realise that when we discussed the Mass times at the PPC, I did not speak up and express my own needs. I did not want the times we celebrate Mass to be dictated by my preferences. I realise now, however, that it is not a matter of preferences but of the physical ability to keep everything going. We will need to revisit this area at the next meeting of the PPC.

Supply Priests

It was very difficult for me to find priests to supply in my absence and impossible for daily Mass during the last two weeks. This a critical loss for a parish, as the daily Mass is vital for the viability of the a parish as an independent unit and not simply a Sunday Mass Centre. Since the consultation cards were destroyed, I will distribute more.

Please Pray for RIP

Cardinal Cahal Daly,
Anniversaries
Jean and Robert Gordon,
Sick

Pat Crocken, Ronnie Mc Keown, Madge Shields, and Jean Shearer.

Pilgrimage to Rome with Holy Cross, Croy next July for 1 week. 4 star hotel 2 mins. Walk from Vatican, day trip to Assisi. Cost £650 approx. Deposit £100. Contact Fr. Paul Friel 822148.

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