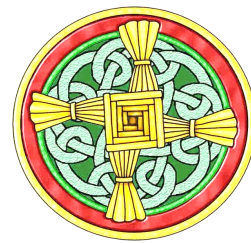


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Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary [C]

14th August 2022

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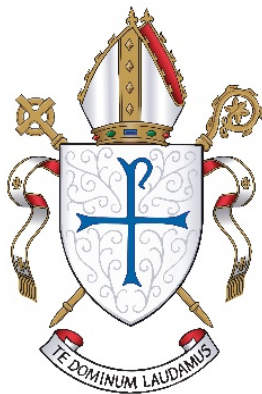
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Mustard Seeds

✠ *The "U" in Jesus*

Before U were thought of or time had begun,
God stuck U in the name of His Son.
And each time U pray, you'll see it's true,
You can't spell out JesUs and not include U.
You're a pretty big part of His wonderful name,
For U, He was born; that's why He came.
And His great love for U is the reason He died.
It even takes U to spell crUcified..
Isn't it thrilling and splendidly grand,
He rose from the dead, with U in His plan?
The stones split away, the gold trUmpet blew,
And this word resUrrection is spelled with a U.
When JesUs left earth at His Upward ascension,
He felt there was one thing He just had to mention.
"Go into the world and tell them it's true
That I love them all - Just like I love U."
So many great people need him just like U,
Don't they have a right to know JesUs too?
It all depends now on what U will do,
He'd like them to know, But it all starts with U.
Will U pass it on.
When Jesus died on the cross he was thinking of you!

Five Tips for Parishes from Pope Francis

Everything Pope Francis says is always so heartfelt, so quotable, so real. One such treasure is the words that Pope Francis has given us on parish life. Here are five tips for parishes from Pope Francis:

- 1. DON'T Be Like A Custom's Office:** Pope Francis is pretty clear in this, Jesus "instituted seven sacraments" it is not the place of the parish to institute an eighth sacrament – "the sacrament of the pastoral customs office." In other words, the parish should not close doors for people. Pope Francis prays that "all who approach the Church find doors open to encounter Jesus' love".
- 2. DON'T Be Tarantulas:** Pope Francis says that when people go to their parish, they should feel like they are entering their mother's home. To know how to open the door in the moment: welcome and tenderness."
- 3. DO Put Those Who Are "Distant" First:** I have often heard grumbling about families who only come to their parish for baptisms, weddings and funerals. These people are often treated like a last priority, but Pope Francis urges us to put those distant from the Church first. Why? Because we want these people to become regulars.
- 4. DO Get the Laity Involved:** Pope Francis is pretty clear on this, the laity need to be involved in their parishes. Parishes do not belong to priests, they belong to everyone. This is why parishes need laity on councils, advising and helping in the running of everyday matters.
- 5. DON'T Gossip Or Cause Division:** If only our parishes were exempt from ordinary, sinful human behaviour. Alas, they are not. But we can examine our part in making a parish a place of unity and communion or creating division"

Twentieth Week of the Year [C] 2022

St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk www.stbrideschurch.co.uk <i>Father Duncan McVicar</i> <i>assisted by Sr Marie Monique, Sr Ursula & Canon Matt McManus (Retired)</i> Please note all Masses in St. Peter's are Live Streamed		<i>Fr. Duncan McVicar</i> <i>assisted by</i> <i>Fr. Gerry Hamill</i> <i>(Retired)</i>	www.stevenstonstjohns.com www.rcsaltcoats.com <i>Canon Martin Poland</i> <i>assisted by</i> <i>Sr Marie Monique, Sr Ursula</i> <i>and Canon Matt McManus (Retired)</i>	
		St Bride's	St. John's	St. Mary's
Saturday 13 th August	Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Vigil Mass at 5.30pm <i>Offered for Phyllis Doherty (A), Elizabeth MacRae (SI), Tom McGreevy (SI)</i>			Vigil Mass (L) at 4.30pm
Sunday 14 th August	Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass at 10.30am <i>Offered for our Parishes of St Bride's and St Peter's</i>	Mass at 12.15pm	Mass at 11.30am (L)	Mass at 10am (L)
Monday 15 th August	20th Week of the Year Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Valerie Vickers (A), Sadie Templeton (MM)</i>			
Tuesday 16 th August	20th Week of the Year Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Sadie and Frank Hamilton (A)</i>	Adoration 9.30am Mass at 10am		Mass at 10am (L)
Wednesday 17 th August	20th Week of the Year Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Desmond McGarvey (A), Brian Collins(A)</i>		Eucharistic Service at 10am (L)	Funeral Mass (L) Hugh Smith
Thursday 18 th August	20th Week of the Year Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Marie Burns (RD)</i>			Funeral Mass (L) Joan Giffney
Friday 19 th August	20th Week of the Year Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Peace between Russia and Ukraine (SI)</i> Exposition and Benediction 10.30am	Adoration 9.30am Mass at 10am	Mass at 10am (L)	
Saturday 20 th August	21st Sunday of the Year Vigil Mass at 5.30pm <i>Offered for Bridie Maher (A), Ella Ritchie (RD), Members of the Taylor and McCann Families (A)</i>			Vigil Mass (L) at 4.30pm

Things that Matter

Give me a good digestion, Lord, and also something to digest;
 Give me a healthy body, Lord, with sense to keep it at its best.
 Give me a healthy mind, Good Lord, to keep the good and pure in sight;
 Which seeing sin is not appalled, but finds a way to set it right.
 Give me a mind which is not bored, that does not whimper, whine or sigh;
 Don't let me worry overmuch about the fussy thing called 'I'.
 Give me a sense of humour, Lord, give me the grace to see a joke;
 To get some happiness from life, and pass it on to other folk.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Jim Boyle, Harry Sammons, Hugh Conway, Tom McGreevy, Phia Boyle

✦ Those who have died recently:

Sadie Templeton, Jean Clark, John Quirk, Joseph McLaughlin

✦ Those who died at this time of Year:

Thomas Connelly 2007, Margaret Harvey 2020, Jim McKenna 2013, Tracy Northcote 2009, Frank McEvoy 1987, Valerie Bickers 2021, Ronald Burns 2011, Brian Collins 2008, Daniel Mathieson 1949, Robbie Reid 2011, Elizabeth Wilson 2000, Susan Garland 2011, James O'Neill 1998, Ronald Burns 2011, Kate Gribben 1994, Father John Harkin 1996, Anne Kilday 2011, Margaret McLeod 2007, Patrick Retzbach 1981, James Thomas Taylor 1998, Johnny Thompson 2014, Patricia Trainer 2002, David Walsh 1980, Roberta Breslin 2011, Frank Campbell 2007, Arthur Eamonn Murphy 2014, Stephanie Smith 1999, Elizabeth Taylor 1951, Marietta Da Prato 1997, Beatrice Ketchen 2019, Tommy McCann senior 1976, Desmond McGarvey 1986, Robert Watson 2004, Jim Boyle 2017, William Kelly 2004, Matthew McCabe 2002, Maria McEvoy 2002, Mary McEvoy 1993, Josephine Quadling.

St. Bride's and St. Peter's Notices

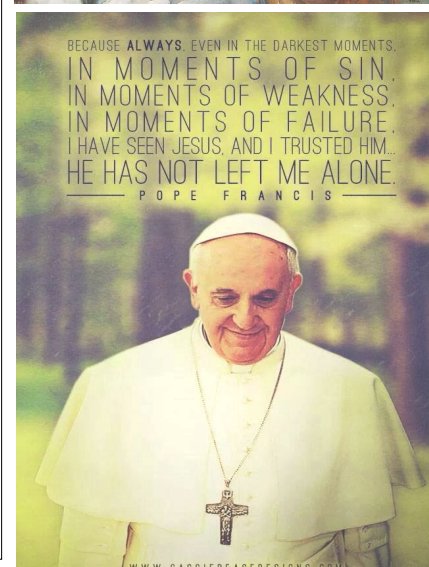
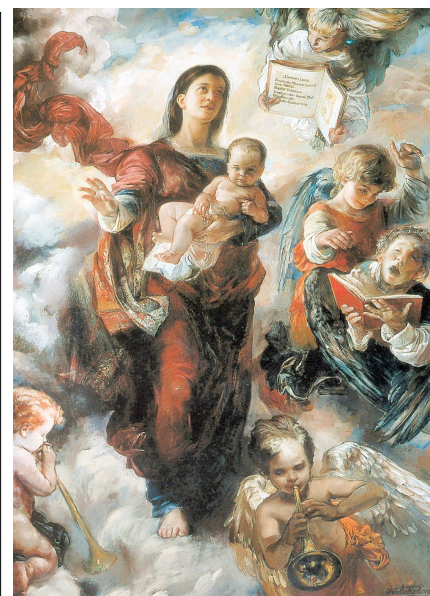
► **THE RELICS OF SAINT BERNADETTE** This September, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to Scotland, for the very first time, including a stop at Carfin Grotto. This very special, once-in-a-lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes. Throughout the time in Scotland, parishioners will have the opportunity to visit the relics, in addition to joining us for a number of Masses, services, and other events. Tuesday, 27th September 2022.

► **PARISH 50/50 CLUB CONGRATULATIONS** to JULY winners:- No.39 A.CALVERT: No.48 C.MORMAN: No 55 . S.McATEER: No.70 J.WILSON - all PRIZES are in the post. Members need to inform of any change of address to Mrs Sammons on 01294/469006 ASAP. We will now return to Winners list notified on Notice Board in the Porch. Any outstanding payments for 2022 are now overdue and may be cancelled unless you notify the Parish Office ASAP. MANY THANKS TO ALL OUR MEMBERS FOR THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT OVER THE RECENT COVID RESTRICTIONS. Good luck in the August Draw from M.SAMMONS/ Promoter of 50/50 Club

► **WHITHORN PILGRIMAGE** The annual Whithorn Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday 28th August with Mass on the shore at 4pm. St Mary's and St Johns have booked a coach which will leave St Mary's at 10.45am then onto St John's for 11am. Return journey leaving Whithorn at 5.30pm. Anyone who would like to travel with them at a cost of £5/person (to offset costs), please contact Lorna at St Mary's (01294 463461) between 10am and 11am, Mon-Fri.

The Assumption of Mary

The Assumption of Mary into Heaven, celebrated today, is one of the oldest in Church history. This wonderful summer feast, honouring Our Lady, was first celebrated in Palestine in the year 529 AD. It was such a strong tradition in the Church, needing no confirmation, that it wasn't until November 1, 1950 that Pope Pius XII declared the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of the faith. An ancient and beautiful legend about the Assumption of Mary tells the story this way: When Our Lady felt her time on earth coming to an end, she sent word to all the Apostles that she would like to see them for the last time on earth. They were out preaching the Good News of her Son 'to all the corners of the world' as Jesus had commanded them. When they received her message, of course, they paid their respects to their new congregations and disciples and left so as to hurry to her side. After long sea voyages and treks over land, they arrived just in time to say goodbye and pray with her one last time. Then she died. Only the apostle Thomas was late. He had been delayed by some way or another, and had been travelling day and night since to try and catch up. But he was too late. When he finally arrived, hot and travel-stained, he was grief-stricken to learn that she had been laid to rest in a tomb. He wept bitterly, and begged the Apostle's permission to open the tomb so that he could see her beloved face one last time. At first, the other Apostles were reluctant. After all, she had been dead for three days, and it was a hot country. Finally, they yielded to his tears and rolled away the stone. To their amazement, the tomb was filled with flowers, all giving off a sweet fragrance. They felt happier and healthier just smelling the beautiful scent that came wafting out of that tomb. Where they had placed her body was now only her shroud, filled with more flowers. Her body had been carried up to heaven by her Son and the angels, to join her soul. Now, it must be remembered, according to the Legend, that after the great Fall, when Adam and Eve disobeyed God and ate of the Fruit of the Tree of Life and were cast out of the Garden, all the flowers lost their scent, or perhaps we lost the ability to smell them. The herbs lost their healing powers too, and were only good for flavouring our food. Not that that's not a good thing mind you, but to be able to heal sickness and mend broken bones, well that's something more important than a nicely flavoured stew. It's only right that one the day of her Assumption, Our Blessed Lady's last gift to us should be the restoring of the scent of flowers and the healing power of herbs. In many European countries, on the Feast of the Assumption, they have the tradition of blessing herbs for use at home in the Parish Churches.



Just for a Laugh...

Children's Letters to God. Have a look...

Dear GOD, In school they told us what You do. Who does it when You are on holiday? -Jane

Dear GOD, Did you mean for the giraffe to look like that or was it an accident? -Norma

Dear GOD, I went to this wedding and they kissed right in church. Is that okay? -Neil

Dear GOD, Thank you for the baby brother, but what I prayed for was a puppy. -Joyce

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