

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

19th November 2017

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**“I went off and hid your talent
in the ground.”**

Noticeboard

First Mass of Sunday (Vigil Mass)	Saturday, 6 p.m.
Sunday Morning Mass	10.30 a.m.
Weekday Masses	Monday, 5 p.m. Other Weekdays, 10.15 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Saturday, 9.45 to 10 a.m. 4 to 4.30 p.m. 6.30 to 6.45

Holy Hour and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; Tuesday, 6.30 to 7.30 p.m. The theme for readings and prayer will be the Holy Souls.

Tuesday is the Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Wednesday, the Memorial of St. Cecilia; Friday, The Memorial of St. Andrew Dung Lac and Companions, the Holy Martyrs of Vietnam.

Bishop McGee is at present travelling through the Diocese, spending a day in each parish. He will be with us on Tuesday. He would like to meet parishioners to speak about the pastoral needs of St. Mary's. After Morning Mass, you are invited to join with the Bishop in the Lady Chapel. Once discussion is complete, you are most welcome to tea, coffee and biscuits in the sacristy.

We pray for those whose anniversaries are about this time: **Sarah Prince, Danny Haggerty, Annie Tully, Bill Shearer, Annie MacDonald, Mark Donoghue, Angela Adams, Annie Morrison, Mary Flora MacKay, Archie MacKay, Rose Gardetto, Molly Cameron and Edward Archibald.** We remember also **Paddy Heron**, buried from St. Mary's on Friday. May he now rest in peace and may the Lord comfort his loved ones. In this month of November we remember all the Holy Souls. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

The **Carmelite Christmas cards** have arrived and now are available for sale at the back of the church. The prices are on the packets, and very modest they are! Calendars are also available. These are sold on behalf of the parish, and cost £3 each.

The new **offering envelopes** will be ready to be uplifted next Sunday, ready for the 3rd December, the beginning of the new cycle. Please note the number of your envelope, in case there are any mistakes. Our thanks to all those who use these envelopes for their Gift Aid. This is a great help to the parish, as are donations given through bank transfers and monthly Direct Debits.

The Memorial of the **Presentation of Our Lady** was a very special day for those of us who studied at the Séminaire St. Sulpice in Paris, being the patronal feast day of the seminary.

Father Stanislaw is hoping to lead a **pilgrimage to Poland** in April of next year. Further details are on the back of this bulletin.

A PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND

18th-25th April 2018

Led by Fr. Stanislaw Pamula



On a pilgrimage through Poland, you will discover the country's deep faith. You will be immersed in moments that will build your devotion as you travel through the homeland of the beloved Pope Saint John Paul II. Get a glimpse into the formative years of this devout man with a visit to Wadowice, the town where he was born and raised. Step into the past when you see the church where he was baptized. Journey to Niepokalanow to explore one of the largest Franciscan Monasteries in the world. Take a moment to reflect when a local expert guides you through the former concentration camp of Auschwitz. In Krakow, spend time in worship at the Shrine of Divine Mercy where the tomb of Saint Faustina is located. See the charming wooden Jaszczurówka Chapel and sanctuary dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima. Spend time in worship where Saint Faustina lived and died. Travel to Zakopane, Poland's most popular resort town and where Pope Saint John Paul II spent time in reflection. Make a stop at what remains of the Warsaw Ghetto. Enjoy a folklore show and dinner at a traditional Polish restaurant.

The price will be £750 (If at least 30 people will travel)

This covers transfer and travel on a coach (air conditioning, coffee facilities) ; en suite double rooms; breakfast and dinner; insurance. IT DOES NOT INCLUDE the flight from Glasgow to Krakow (around £140); Museum entrance (£25) and a single room surcharge (£90)

Non-refundable deposit will be required (£100) by the end of the year (31st December 2017). However if the Pilgrimage is cancelled, you will receive a refund. Please note that similar trips to Poland cost around £1200.

If you are interested in taking part in this pilgrimage or need further information, please phone Father Stanislaw on 01687 462201 or e-mail catholicroughbounds@gmail.com



Our Lady of Częstochowa