THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

28th October 2012

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Noticeboard



Sunday Masses:

Vigil Mass, Saturday, 6 p.m. Sunday Morning Mass, 10.30 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

10.15 a.m.

THURSDAY IS THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS AND A HOLIDAY OF OBLIGATION. MASSES WILL BE AT 10.15 A.M., 1.15 P.M. AND 7 P.M.

FRIDAY IS ALL SOULS DAY, MASSES WILL BE AT 10.15 A.M. AND 7 P.M.

"Master, let me see again!"

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 9.45 to 10 a.m. 4 to 4.30 p.m. 5.30 to 5.50 p.m.

Saturday is the Optional Memorial of St. Martin de Porres. We will celebrate the Feast Day of this beloved saint.

Sincere thanks for your great support of the Missions. Last Sunday's special collection came to a very generous £739! This does not include the Missio Membership total of £125 so far.

We pray for our Faithful Departed, especially those whose anniversaries are about this time: Rose Gardetto, Molly Cameron, Angus MacPhee, Michael Haggerty, Kenny Cairns, Anne Morrison, Mary MacNeil, Henry MacLaren, Susan Keenan, Patrick Quinn, Roy Stirling, Rose Mary Moore, Margaret Reevie, Mona Timbrell and Teresa Dougan. May they rest in the peace and joy of Christ.

November is, of course the **Month of the Holy Souls**. Remembrance sheets are available at the back of the church. Please write the names of your loved ones and hand in your sheet as soon as you can.

Our first Christmas cards are available. These are in support of the Carmelites Sisters in Dysart. There are also Advent Calendars for the children. Other cards, as well as calendars, from CBC in Northern Ireland should arrive very soon. Any profit from these is for the parish, but what is more significant is that such cards keep Christ in Christmas, something all the more imperative in this Year of Faith. Every card sent is a gentle witness to Him.

Holy Communion will be taken to the housebound from Monday to Wednesday of this week.

The Bishop has decided that **Deacon Stanislaw** should spread his wings a little more. He has instructed him to help out in neighbouring parishes in the coming months, spending weekends in Roy Bridge, Moidart and Ballachulish, as well as continuing to serve for periods in Fort William. To enable him to carry out this work, as well as other tasks connected with the Diocese, the Diocesan Office in Oban has provided another second-hand car, far more reliable than the one he had before.

British Legion poppies can be collected at the back of church. Any donation you can give is appreciated.



This week we look at the Book of Job as part of our series on *Faith in the Old Testament*. This is one of William Blake's famous etchings of scenes in that Book. Entitled "Job's Despair," it was engraved in 1825.

The Daily Creed

In this Year of Faith we are all encouraged to say The Apostles' Creed in our daily prayer. We are especially invited to do so with the children, so that they eventually know it so well that they, too, will make it a personal daily prayer. If, in eleven months time, the youngsters know the Apostles' Creed off by heart, you will have given them something very precious. Cards have been ordered from the CTS, illustrated on one side and with this form of the Creed on the other. Each of you will be given one, thereby helping make the Year of Faith all the more a reality in our lives.

