

## **ST. PETER IN CHAINS • ARDROSSAN** 'Family of Parishes'

ST. BRIDE'S • WEST KILBRIDE

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14<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Sixth Sunday of Easter [A]

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## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**St. Peter in Chains:** Saturday between 4.45pm-5.15pm and by request. **St. Bride's:** By request.

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## **<sup>‡</sup>** Consecrate the world to Mary

On August 26, 1978, Cardinal Luciani became Pope and took the name John Paul I. It is a known fact that Bishop Luciani, as the Patriarch of Venice, met with Sister Lucia in Fatima. The weekly newspaper Gente Veneta of July 23, 1977, published an article about Cardinal Luciani's meeting with Sister Lucia, without mentioning the confidential exchange that follows. According to Ricardo de la Cieva y de Hoces, during this interview the nun predicted for him "the Crown of Christ," i.e the crown of martyrdom, and "the days of Christ" that turned out to be the number of thrity-three days of his short pontificate. The Crown of Christ and the days of Christ—this expression never left the mind of Mgr. Luciani, especially from August 26, 1978, the day when he was elected Pope. He confided to a friend theologian, Don Germano Pattaro: "What Sister Lucia told me in the month of July 1977 had become a great burden on my heart ... too contrary to my whole being. It was unbelievable, yet Sister Lucia's prediction has been proven true. I am the Pope. If I live, I will consecrate the world to the Virgin Mary according to the indications that She gave to Sister Lucia." Do you ever feel like you could use some help approaching God in your prayers? The Memorare is a prayer that reminds us that we have a wonderful advocate and protector in the Mother of our Lord, the Blessed Virgin Mary. In our prayers to her we honour and worship her Son, who is more than happy to listen to His Mother's pleas on our behalf. The Memorare, printed below, invites us to ask the Blessed Mother for her assistance and her grace, especially when we feel most troubled in our daily lives.

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.



6 <sup>th</sup> Week in Eastertide 2023 [A]				
St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossanwww.saintpeterinchains.co.ukwww.stbrideschurch.co.ukFather Duncan McVicarassisted by Sr Marie Monique, Sr Ursula& Canon Matt McManus (Retired)Please note all Masses in St. Peter's are Live StreamedMasses may be subject to change.		Fr. Duncan McVicar assisted by Fr. Gerry Hamill (Retired)	www.stevenstonstjohns.com www.rcsaltcoats.com Canon Martin Poland assisted by Sr Marie Monique, Sr Ursula & Canon Matt McManus (Retired)	
		St Bride's	St. John's	St. Mary's
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter Mass at 5.30pm Offered for Ian McCormick (A), Joan Phillips (A), Josephine Atkins (SI)		First Eucharist Mass at 11am (L)	Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter Mass at 10.30am Offered for our Parishes	Mass at 12.15pm	Mass at 11.30am (L)	Mass at 10am (L)
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	6 <sup>th</sup> Week in Eastertide Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am, Mass at 10am Offered for Patrick McGuire (A), Charlie Macgregor (RD)			
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	6 <sup>th</sup> Week in Eastertide Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am, Mass at 10am Offered for Sophie Hodge (SI), Bernadine McInally (RD)	No Mass Today		Mass at 10am (L)
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	6 <sup>th</sup> Week in Eastertide Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am, Mass at 10am Offered for Fr Damien Gilhooley (RD)		Mass at 10am & 7pm	
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation) Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am, Mass at 10am Offered for Mr William Sheehan Snr. (A) Mass at 7pm Offered for Betty Hughes (RD)		Mass at 11am	9.30am Mass in St Anthony's PS Mass at 7pm
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	6 <sup>th</sup> Week in Eastertide Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am, Mass at 10am Offered for Rose Bowers (MM) Exposition and Benediction 10.30am	Mass at 10am Offered for Eddie Lennon (RD)	Mass at 10am	
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter Mass at 5.30pm Offered for Cathie Slimmans (SI)			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)

#### The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (all bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Harry Sammons, Peter Ross, Edna McKinnon, Roseann Bannan, Craig Laughlan.

## + Those who have died recently:

Charlie Macgregor, Bernadine McInally, Betty Hughes, Eddie Lennon, Fr. Damien Gilhooley (Coatbridge).

#### + Those who died at this time of Year:

William James Connelly 2012, Les Dorrian 2009 Mary McFarlane 2004, Anthony Bale 2017, Charles Campbell 2008, Ann Cameron 2003,
Patricia Joanna Pengilley 2017, Lexie Wright 2010, Mary Teresa Dolan 1999, Danny McMurdy 2017, Bill O'Neill 2009, Father John Fitzsimmons 2008, Natalie Anne Hultz 2018, Susan Little 2007,
William Sheehan senior 1983, Kathleen Watt 2012, William Calvert 1992, Frances Hackett 1997, Dennis Kelly 2019, Harry Andrew 2003,
Tommy Coulter 2010, Daniel Cullinane 1971, Mary McKay 1980, Robert McKay 1942,
Gwendoline McMullan 2016, Mary Quinn 1978, Ian Waterson 2016, George Wilson 2006

## St. Bride's & St. Peter's Notices

► ASCENSION SUNDAY - THIS THURSDAY This coming Thursday, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. The Church prays every day from the Ascension until Pentecost Sunday for the coming of the Holy Spirit. Masses at 10am and also at 7pm. Ascension Day is a Holy Day of Obligation.

► SISTERS OF SAINT PAUL OF CHARTRES We are delighted to announce that the contract for the sisters of Saint Paul of Chartres who serve in the Three Towns has been renewed for another 5 years. We thank Sr. Marie Monique and Sr. Ursula for assisting in our parishes.

► SPECIAL COLLECTION Next weekend (20/21 May 2023) we will take up the annual special collection for Communications. Once again, many thanks for your generosity.

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK** Christian Aid week begins on Sunday 14th May. Envelopes for cash donations will be available at St Brides Church. You can donate online at christianaid.org.uk.

► PASTORAL COUNCIL AT ST BRIDE'S The next meeting of St Bride's Pastoral Council will be on Tuesday, 16th May at 7pm in the Community Room. Everyone is invited to join in, so please come along.

**ST BRIDE'S MONTHLY DRAW** Winner of this month's draw is again number 52, Pamela McCallum, who wins £28.50.

**ST BRIDE'S SSVP** The great collection of groceries left on Sunday were delivered to the Village Larder. They were delighted and said that they are so appreciative of all our support. I checked out what is in short supply this week. Coffee is always needed, tins of stewing steak, tins of unusual vegetables, and diluting juice. Although everything is welcome.

**ROSARY FOR THE MONTH OF MAY** Please join in the daily rosary in Church before the Celebration of Mass during the month of May in St Peter's.

#### Tell Me About the Ascension?

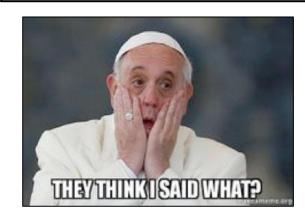
Forty days after his Resurrection, Jesus ascended into heaven. During this period between his Resurrection and Ascension, He actually gave the primacy He had promised to Peter, as we read in John 21. He ascended to receive the glory due to Him as conqueror of sin and death (Philippians 2:8-11); to be our Mediator and advocate with the Father (Hebrews 9:24); to send the Holy Spirit as He had promised at the Last Supper (John 16:7); and to prepare a place for us as He also promised (John 14:2). Besides this real bodily presence in the Eucharist, Christ is present on earth in other, lesser ways. Vatican II explained the various forms of presence, in the Constitution on the Liturgy, # 7: "Christ is always present to His Church, especially in liturgical actions. He is present in the Sacrifice of the Mass in the person of the priest; 'He is the same one, now offering by the ministry of priests, who then offered Himself on the Cross [citing the Council of Trent].' But He is most greatly present under the Eucharistic species. He is present by His power in the Sacraments, so that when anyone baptises, Christ Himself baptises. He is present in His word, for He speaks when the Sacred Scriptures are read in the Church. He is present, finally, when the Church prays and sings the Psalms, He who promised 'Where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am in their midst'"(Matthew 18:20).

## ST. PETER'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Cash Collection 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023: £852.25 Second Collection (Building Fund): £129.53 Standing Orders for April 2023: £3866.00

**ST. BRIDE'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP** Offertory Cash Collection 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023: £93.00 Second Collection (Building Fund): £66.00 Standing Orders for April 2023: £1047.00

Many Thanks for your support and generosity!



## Just for a Laugh

😊 3-year-old Reese: 'Our Father, Who does art in heaven, Harold is His name. Amen.'

O A little boy was overheard praying: 'Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it. I'm having a real good time like I am.'

Of the Baptism of his baby brother in church, Jason sobbed all the way home in the back seat of the car. His father asked him three times what was wrong. Finally, the boy replied, 'That priest said he wanted us brought up in a Catholic home, and I wanted to stay with you guys.'

One particular four-year-old prayed, 'And forgive us our trash baskets as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets.' A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin 5, and Ryan 3. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake. Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson. 'If Jesus were sitting here, He would say, 'Let my brother have the first pancake, I can wait.' Kevin turned to his younger brother and said, ' Ryan, you be Jesus!'

Of A wife invited some people to dinner. At the table, she turned to their six-year-old daughter and said, 'Would you like to say the grace?' 'I wouldn't know what to say,' the girl replied. 'Just say what you hear mummy say,' the wife answered. The daughter bowed her head and said: 'Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?

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