

# HOLY FAMILY CHURCH MOSSEND

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## TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

The day of the Resurrection - This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it

### TODAY'S READINGS

- WISDOM** Knowledge alone has limits. We also need wisdom to understand the ways of God.
- PSALM** God's power has no boundaries; it is not limited by space and time.
- PHILEMON** Paul encourages one of his converts to consider his former slave a brother in Christ Jesus.
- LUKE** Jesus teaches about the demands of discipleship.

### YOU ARE INVITED TO CELEBRATE



- Mon** Evening Prayer 6.50am  
Holy Mass at 7.00pm
- Tue** Holy Rosary at 11.40am  
Holy Mass at 12.00noon
- Wed** Holy Mass at 7.00am
- Thu** Morning Prayer 9.20am  
Holy Mass at 9.30am
- Fri** Morning Prayer 9.20am  
Holy Mass at 9.30am
- Sat** Marian Prayer 9.20am  
Holy Mass at 9.30am  
Vigil Mass at 6.00pm
- Sun** Holy Mass at 10.00am  
Holy Mass at 12.00noon

Confessions on Thursday evening  
7.00 - 8.00pm

## National Pilgrimage to Carfin in honour of St. Margaret, Patroness of Scotland TODAY 4<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

Bishop Toal invites all parishioners to take part in this one-day pilgrimage to honour St. Margaret who was an exemplary witness to the Corporal Works of Mercy. Mass will be celebrated in the Grotto at 3 p.m. with Archbishop Philip Tartaglia of Glasgow as Principal Celebrant and Archbishop Leo Cushley of St. Andrew's and Edinburgh as Homilist.



An additional feature of this pilgrimage will be the opportunity to attend Confession in St. Francis Xavier's parish church and at points in the Grotto from 12 noon until shortly before Mass.

### Mass of Thanksgiving for the Canonization of Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta



Bishop Toal will celebrate Mass on Monday evening in the Cathedral at 7pm to mark and give thanks for the Canonization of Blessed Mother Teresa who will be canonised this Sunday 4th September in Rome. Her canonization fits in very well with the Year of Mercy and the memory of her holy and life remains strong among us – perhaps some in the Diocese even met her.

### MASS OF ST. PATRICK



By popular request and with the support and encouragement of Fr. Eamonn Sweeney, the Diocesan Choir will perform the 'Mass of St. Patrick' again in St. Patrick's, Coatbridge on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm. The Choir performed this Mass a few years ago to great acclaim.

200 CLUB draw takes place this Sunday 4th September. Subscriptions can be paid after all Masses at Holy Family shrine.

**Jesus says, 'Those who humble themselves will be exalted.' The fact is: we have to humble ourselves in order to be exalted.**

**When we enter a church we humble ourselves** - we genuflect, we go down on one knee acknowledging that we are creatures and we have come into the presence of the living God, Jesus, present in the Blessed Sacrament. But we are also exalted. We are exalted because here we realise our true greatness, which consists in the fact that we are children of God.



On entering our pew we should then kneel, we go down on both knees—a sort of 'warming up' in preparation for the greatest prayer of all - the sacrifice of the Mass.

***" COME IN LET US BOW AND BEND LOW,  
LET US KNEEL  
BEFORE THE GOD WHO MADE US"***

**It is part of our Catholic tradition to KNEEL:**

**Whenever we come into the church - we KNEEL** in humble adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Upon **returning from Holy Communion**, we **KNEEL** to give thanks to God for his great gift of the Eucharist.

## SITUATION VACANT

### DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING ADVISER

The Diocese of Motherwell is seeking to appoint a new Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser. This is a part time post located within the Diocesan Office in Motherwell but it will be necessary to attend diocesan and national meetings elsewhere. The post requires a high degree of flexibility to respond to allegations and concerns of risk. It is anticipated that the post holder will work 14 hours per week. Being 'on call' and able to work evenings and at weekends is essential. Professional background experience in Safeguarding would be preferred.

The salary will be £15000 per annum. The closing date for applications is 30th September 2016. For an application form and job description, please contact: The Chancellor, Diocese of Motherwell, Diocesan Centre, Coursington Road, Motherwell ML1 1PP Tel: 01698 269114

**Email: [vicechancellor@rcdom.org.uk](mailto:vicechancellor@rcdom.org.uk)**

## THIS WEEK'S FEASTS

**THURSDAY** we celebrate the birthday of Our Blessed Lady.

**FRIDAY** is the feast of Saint Peter Claver (1580-1654), from Cataluña, who devoted his life to the poor native tribes of Columbia. We send our greetings to the St. Peter Claver Sisters as they celebrate the feast of their patron.

## STUDENTS COLLECTION

### Vocations / Sick and Retired Priests Boxes

"Each Diocese needs to educate and prepare its future priests and permanent deacons. **THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL COLLECTION TAKEN UP ON 17TH SEPTEMBER** to help towards the costs of this essential need. We are blessed with a good number of seminarians in at present but it is expensive to prepare them for priesthood.

### STUDENTS BOXES

In 2015 the cost for the education and care of our nine seminarians and three permanent diaconate students was **£210,482**. The annual Students Collection raised only **£44,328**. This was why last year the diocese re-introduced the concept of the old 'STUDENTS BOX' and combined it with care of sick and retired priests. If you wish to contribute to this worthy cause these boxes are available from the church porch. Just bring it back when it is full or indeed anytime you want



**MARY'S MEALS**, who daily feed over a million school-children wrote to say a very sincere thank you to all who gave so generously to their appeal last Sunday. They sold **£853.46** in raffle tickets and uplifted **147 bags** of textiles in their rags to riches collection.

**THE BEGINNING EXPERIENCE** are holding a residential weekend for those who find themselves alone again through divorce, separation or widowhood. It will take place from 30 September to 2 October at the Conforti Institute, Coatbridge. Contact Ros on 1031 669 0003/e-mail [rcm2524@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rcm2524@yahoo.co.uk)

## HOLY FAMILY RAMBLERS

The walk for Sunday 11th September will be part of the Ayr coastal walk going from Irvine to Ardrossan. The walk is classed as easy with the paths made up of promenades, pavements, paths, cycle tracks, minor roads and sandy beaches. The walk is 9.5 miles approx. with the option of doing a shorter walk by stopping at Saltcoats. The bus will pick up the long walkers in Ardrossan and return to Saltcoats for refreshments.

## NEXT SUNDAY - XXIV SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

	Vigil	10.00am	12.00noon
<b>Ministers of the WORD</b>	Danielle Harte Antony Waring Megan Watt	G. McAleenan Fiona Tonner Roddy Shearer	Willie Higgins Ann M. Valentini Harry Curran
<b>Ministers of the EUCHARIST</b>	Liz Simpson Martin McMahan	Julia Campbell Danny Mallon	Josefina Agnis Mary Menzies
<b>Ministers at the ALTAR</b>	Antony, Carmen, Aidan G, Liam G, Stefan, Aidan S	Danny, Cameron, Matthew, Marjie, Joecele, Dominic	Megan, Cahal, Zac, Aaron, Aidan B