

I will not leave you orphans;



I WILL COME BACK TO YOU

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

57 Hope Street, Mossend, Bellshill

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

CHRIST IS RISEN, ALLELUIA

The Word of God Today

ACTS In Acts, chapter 1, Jesus told his followers to spread the gospel "in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, yes even to the ends of the earth." It takes a persecution, but the mission takes its first step outside Jerusalem today.

PETER The author of the First Letter of Peter warns persecuted Christians to bear sufferings patiently, and, like Jesus, not return evil for evil.

JOHN For Christians facing rejection by others, Jesus speaks of various ways that God is with us, and how our ways differ from those of non-believers.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

As from Sat/Sun 3rd/ 4th June, the Sunday Mass schedule in Holy Family will be

Saturday Vigil : 5.30pm

Sunday : 11.00am

Next Sunday will be the last 10.00am Mass and 12.00noon Mass till the end of the experimental period (August).



HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION

25th May is Ascension Thursday a Holyday of Obligation.

Masses as follows:

Vigil Mass on Wednesday 24th at 7.0pm

Mass on Thursday 25th at 10.00am

Friday sees the beginning of our Novena to the Holy Spirit in preparation for Pentecost. The Novena will be prayed at the weekday Masses.



You are invited to celebrate

MON	6.40pm 7.00pm	Holy Rosary for May Holy Mass
TUE	11.40am 12.00noon	Holy Rosary for May Holy Mass
WED	7.00am 7.00pm	Holy Mass Vigil Mass (Ascension)
THU	10.00am 7.00pm 7.40pm	Holy Mass (Ascension) Eucharistic Adoration Holy Rosary for May
FRI	9.20am 9.30am	Morning Prayer Holy Mass
SAT	9.10am 9.30am 6.00pm	Holy Rosary for May Holy Mass Vigil Mass of Sunday
SUN	10.00am 12.00noon	Holy Mass Holy Mass

NEXT SUNDAY - SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

28th May	Vigil	10.00am	12.00noon
Ministers of the WORD	Connor Taylor Aidan Shaw Joe Nugent	Fiona Tonner Danny Waring Roddy Shearer	Willie Higgins Ann M. Valentini Kenzie Shaw
Ministers of the EUCHARIST	Agnes Poutney Alan Poutney	Martin McMahan Margaret R. Nelis	Kathy Agnew Agnes Hunter
Ministers at the ALTAR	Antony, Stefan, Carmen, Aidan S, Matthew	Cameron, Aaron, Joecele, Dominic	Megan, Cahal, Zac, Aidan B

Permanent Diaconate 'Enquiry Nights'

There will be an 'Enquiry Night' exploring the Permanent Diaconate where more in depth information will be given as to the formation process involved for any who might be interested in answering a call to the permanent diaconate. Any who come to these Enquiry nights can do so without any fear of commitment. The Permanent Diaconate is open to men, 25 yrs –65 years of age. The two evenings will take place as follows:

Holy Family Parish Centre, Mossend, Tuesday 30th May at 7.30pm
St. Augustine's Parish Hall, Coatbridge, Tuesday 6th June at 7.30pm



GENERAL ELECTION STATEMENT

Message from the Scottish Bishops

Scotland's Bishops have published their General Election Statement. The short document asks voters to consider a series of factors before deciding how to vote. The document repeats previous calls for respect for life and support for families, but makes a special plea this year for EU nationals caught up in the uncertainties of Brexit to be granted security. It also contains a powerful call for a welcome to be afforded to refugees and asylum seekers and denounces the use of weapons of mass destruction as a "serious crime against God and humanity".

SPUC Pro-Life Scotland has a General Election Pack available on request which can be obtained by phoning 0141 221 2094 or e-mailing

election2017@spucscotland.org

This pack will assist anyone wishing to know the views on issues to do with protecting life from the unborn child to the terminally ill which are held by the candidates standing for Parliament.

200 Club Winners

Congratulations to the winners of the May draw -

- 1st (£50) No 63 Tom Hunter
- 2nd (£25) No 107 John Hynes

Thanks to all members for your support.

ST. ANDREW'S HOSPICE LADIES MIDNIGHT WALK

Starting and finishing at Revenscraig Regional Sports Facility Saturday 17th June 2017
8, 10 and 13 mile options available.

Register online at www.st-andrews-hospice.com
or contact the fundraising team (01236) 766951

ST. MARGARET'S PILGRIMAGE TO DUNFERMLINE

The Archdiocese of Saint Andrews and Edinburgh invites you to take part in a pilgrimage to Dunfermline in honour of Saint Margaret, Queen of Scots, on Sunday 11 June. Pilgrims can visit sites associated with the saint which will be open from 10.00am. All are encouraged to gather at the gates of Pittencrieff Park at 2.00pm for a procession to Saint Margaret's Church for Mass at 3.00pm.

Saint Margaret was born in Hungary in 1046, of English parents. Her father had fled England for political reasons. They returned to England in 1066, but the Norman



Invasion of that year meant her father had to leave again. Their ship to the continent was blown off-course northwards and they landed in Scotland. Here she married King Malcolm Canmore. She had a great civilising effect on him and his court; she strengthened the ties between Scotland and the Papacy; she encouraged the Benedictines to come to Scotland and thus initiated the presence of monastic orders and the building of many monasteries across Scotland in the centuries that followed; above all, she served with her own hands those who came to her seeking help in poverty, illness or other difficulties

'...for it is the month of Mary, the lovely month of May.'

Holy Rosary

Mondays: 6.40pm

Tuesdays: 11.40am

Thursdays: 7.40pm

Saturdays: 9.10am



The First Rosary

MEMORIAL GARDEN

If you would like to make a donation to the garden, there is a box on each side of the porch doors as you leave the church.