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*A Scottish Registered Charity No. 11041*

**Sunday Masses** Vigil 6 pm, 10 am & 12 Noon

Weekday Mass Monday - Friday 9.30 am

**Confessions** Saturday after Vigil Mass

**Rosary** before 9.30 Mass on Tuesday and Friday

Hall Bookings 01698 291113

**Today is the Feast of the Epiphany and there will be a Special Collection at all masses for the work of Justice and Peace.**

**Funeral for Margaret Ross will be held on Monday at 9.15 with her remains coming to the church Sunday at 6.00 pm**

**Questions people ask. The Gospel Mark will be used on Sundays this year. What should I look out for in Mark?**

A. Mark is a great storyteller with the gift of bringing the reader right into the heart of the action. You will read of Jesus establishing eye contact with people or reaching out to touch people. This is a great Gospel for the sort of meditation that asks you to put yourself into the scene and become part of the story. Mark moves the story forward at a great pace and develops a sense of drama. He presents Jesus as a victim of misunderstanding and rejection. It seems as if his mission was a failure as Jesus dies with a cry of desolation, 'My God, why have you forsaken me.' But just then, dramatic things happen and the Roman centurion declares Jesus to be the Son of God. There is a powerful message of hope in this portrait of Jesus in solidarity with those who suffer injustice, misunderstanding and rejection.

Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM CapOFM Cap (Thanks to Intercom for the above)

Please come in and have a look around our **Parish Stall**. We still have a wide range of calendars, diaries, and nativity scenes on sale. We also have beautiful new Sunday Missals incorporating the new translation of the Mass .

“**Catholic Western Calendars** on sale in the stall for £2.90. This book provides contact details and information on mass times for catholic parishes in the Motherwell, Paisley and Glasgow Dioceses and also has details of religious groups and organisations in the West of Scotland”

Please pray **for all our sick**...May Gibb, David McCartney, Christine Grant, Matthew Little, David Miller, Cathie McAuley, Calum Hughes, James McSherry, John Carroll, Karen Sheed, Thomas Mulvey, Lizzie Nugent, Margaret McGinn, Alison Faulds, Maria Guthrie, Bridget McMahan, Jamie Freal, Frankie King

**Please pray for all our dead especially** Margaret Ross, Elizabeth Quinn, Ann Toal, George Logan, Pat McLaren, Margaret McColl, Gerry Miller, **who died recently.**

**Month's Mind: Anniversary:** Michael Houlihan, Teddy Clarke, Margaret Rose Mulvey,

Catrin Mulvey, Donald Irvine, Bride McGinness, Rosina Kelly, Christine, Michael & Margaret Daly, John Michael Kane,

**New Rotas for Eucharistic Ministers** are available in sacristy and in parish web site

**Drop in Club** Meetings for the Drop-in-Club resume on Wednesday, 11th January at 1:00pm in St. Teresa's Church Hall. New members are very welcome.

**Tables/Chairs**

Anyone who borrowed tables and chairs over the Xmas/New Year period would they please return them on Monday 9th at 6.30pm.

**NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS .....RESOLVE TO RECOGNIZE MY ADDICTIONS**

*We are all addicts.* Human beings are addictive by nature. Addiction is a modern name and description for what the biblical tradition calls “sin” and the medieval Christians called “passions” or “attachments.” They both recognized that serious measures, or practices, were needed to break us out of these illusions and entrapments; in fact, the New Testament calls them in some cases “exorcisms!” They knew they were dealing with non-rational evil or “demons.”

Substance additions are merely the most visible form of addiction, but actually we are all addicted to our own habitual way of doing anything, our own defenses, and most especially our patterned way of thinking, or how we process our reality. By definition you can never see or handle what you are addicted to. It is always “hidden” and and disguised as something else. As Jesus did with the demon at Gerasa, someone must say, “What is your name?” (Luke 8:30). You cannot heal what you do not first acknowledge.

From Breathing under Water: Spirituality and the Twelve Steps.. Fr Richard Rohr.

Ellen Gallagher would like to thank all in the parish who have helped immensely during her last wee spot of ill health. Holy mass will be offered for all

We thank everyone who contributed to the **Christmas Crib Gift Appeal**...there are nearly 100 gifts. These will be distributed to the Wayside club and other charities for the benefit of the homeless. Thank you for your support.

**From Fr Kane**

I wish to thank Fr Donnelly for all the help he has been to the parish over these last few months. He has been a joy and delight to so many of us. He is off to help some other priests in the diocese have a Christmas break. He will be back in February..

Meanwhile I am still under medical supervision and having tests but am hoping to return to “normality” by Lent. At the moment I shall continue to be present at weekends, spending four days a week in the parish.

Again I wish to thank the parishioners for their kindness, support, prayer, patience and all the love at Christmas. It has been a tremendous blessing for me. Thank you.