REFLECTION: When Simon says that Jesus is "the Christ, the Son of the living God", Jesus responds by renaming Simon as "Peter£, the Rock on which he will build His Church. Gates of Hell will not prevail against it, Peter holds the keys of the kingdom of heaven, with power to bind and loose. Peter and the Apostles are given the authority to pronounce on the true teaching of Jesus.

This week the Prayers of Our Liturgy, Mass and Divine Office are all from the Twenty-first Week of the Year except.:

Mon.24th: St Bartholomew: Apostle, named only in the lists of the Apostles and always in the company of Philip. John calls him Nathaniel and recounts it is Philip who leads him to Jesus. A native of Galilee, tradition tells us he preached the Gospel in Armenia and India where he was martyred..

Thurs. 27th. St Monica (332-387): converted her pagan husband, Patricius to the Christian faith and by her prayers and tears brought her son, St Augustine to Christianity and a moral life.

Fri. 28th: St Augustine (354-430): Bishop of Hippo in North Africa where he lived until his death. His theological influence has been significant in the Church down the centuries especially on the understanding of God's grace. He is the Patron Saint of Theologians.

Sat. 29th. The Passion of St John the Baptist: It recalls the imprisonment of St John and his death by beheading at the order of King Herod for his heroic witness to the truth. He became the precursor of Our Lord's own violent death as he had been in his remarkable birth and prophetic teaching.



PARISH NEWS



Over the past few months I have been considering my own position here and I know now it is time to step back. I have spoken with Bishop Toal and my decision is to retire from active ministry from the end of September. Bishop Toal has plans for the future of all the Parishes in the Wishaw area and will make this known soon. I have enjoyed every moment of my time here now over fourteen years. It will be a wrench to leave, but the time is right.

The Church will be open from 9.30am until 11am Monday to Saturday for private prayer and our morning mass at 10am. Numbers are restricted to fifty and for weekday masses it is first come first served. Volunteer Stewards will be on hand to guide you. Monday to Friday Church is open from 6pm – 7pm for private prayer.

Saturday Evening Church is open from 5pm for our Vigil Mass at 5.30pm. On Sunday morning Church is open from 10.30am for our Sunday morning Mass at 11am. These masses are also restricted to fifty people attending subject to demands of social distancing. Places for these masses must be booked on booking web-page Eventbrite.co.uk .

Enter the Church by main door and exit is by side door on left near the Sacristy. Our volunteer Stewards will be on hand to guide and direct.

Baptisms and Marriages can be celebrated with severely restricted numbers.

The Sacrament of Penance on Monday and Friday evenings from 6pm – 7pm in Sacristy during Private Prayer time, or by appointment.

Funerals can be celebrated in Church with restricted attendance of twenty.

Time-table for streamed Mass from St Brigid's through Church Services tv or through the Live Stream button on Parish Web Page: Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30pm, Sunday Mass at 11am, Monday-Saturday Morning Mass at 10am. Live Stream is available all day if you wish to use it as an aid to personal or family prayer at home.

We have switched from the Facebook platform to Church Services tv. Google (or other search service) this page, click on Scotland, North Lanarkshire and you will find St Brigid's, Newmains. You can also use Parish Web Page www.stbrigid.org.uk and click the Live Stream button there. We will be continuing our efforts to improve the presentation. Family and friends can watch our Live Stream worldwide.

The weekly Bulletin is placed on both Parish Facebook page and on our Web-site so you can keep in touch. Your Mass Intentions can be handed in at Parish House and Mass Cards for deceased can be obtained from me also.

NEALY NEW SHOP is open from 9am – 1pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday each week. The same rules apply as in any shop during these times.

PARISH CENTRE: We have been able to open the Nearly New Shop and Slimming World has resumed following their own guidelines but we are some way off being able to hold any social events. The restricted number of families who can meet together (3) and maximum family size (8) make social events still impossible.

PARISH INCOME: Sun.16th August 2020. Offertory: £825.00. Votive Candles: £161.00. Thank you to all who have been so generous contributing during these awkward times.

300 CLUB WINNERS: WEEK 33: Sunday 16th August 2020:

£ 100 Prize No. 50. Sadie McTear, 51 Westwood Road, Newmains.

£ 25 Prize No. 212. Margaret Connelly, 30 Westwood Road, Newmains.

Please continue to support our 300 Club. Payments can be handed in to Chapel house in an envelope with your name and marked 300 Club or Contact Pat Cahill on 01698 292421



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WISHAW HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY: Fr Lewis Mendy (Chaplain) can be contacted through the Hospital on 01698 361100 or St Bernadette's, Motherwell 01698 263945,

Assistant Chaplain, Deacon Henry McKenna 07792 913166 (24hrs) The Hospital can only be visited during this emergency by the Official Chaplains

PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS: Priests for Scotland continue to promote vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. A new initiative from them is to encourage us all to pause for a moment each day at 4pm and ask the Lord to inspire Vocations among our young people. Four o'clock is the traditional reckoning of the moment St Andrew heard the call of Jesus to be His apostle.

WE PRAY FOR:

SICK: Canons Michael Walsh, Con O'Leary and Herbert Flack, Frs. Francis McGachey, Aidan D'Arcy and Vincent Lockhart, James Trainer, Cheryl Dougan, Jacqueline Lowrie, Alec Penman, Nicola Robinson, Winnie Docherty, Winifred Miller, Norma Nichols, Matthew McDonald, Frankie Flaherty, Anne Slavin Fadden, Liz Kelly, Hugh Wright, Patricia Hughes, Ashley Pinion, Maureen McKellor, Susan Curran, Letitia McGeechan, John Bryson, Robert Walker, Kerr Little (age 14), Ciara Gallagher, Frankie McQuade, May Campbell (Gourock), Lauren Feeney (Houston), Shirley McDowell, Pat O'Brien, Suzanne Welsh (Shotts), Agnes Hillan, Rebecca (Penman) Braughton (Prestwick), John Reardon, Kathleen Welsh (Coltness), Helen Craig (Pather), Alicia Crilly (Coatbridge), Geraldine Burns, Irene Littlejohn, Sr Rosaria OSF, Ann Welsh.

<u>R.I.P:</u>. Ciara Cassidy (Glasnevin), John Higgins (St Ignatius', Wishaw), Walter Stewart (St. Mary's, Hamilton), Alan Murphy (Dublin),

MONTHS MINDS: Tommy Murphy, George Tweedlie, deceased members of the Clifford and Devlin families, John Calderhead, Anne Theresa Murphy, Joe Hunstone, Angelina Corrigan, John McAtear, John, Isabel and Tom McCann, deceased members of the McAtear and McCann families, John and Mary Kelly, Jackie and Theresa Ainslie, Joe and Mary Devlin, May McElroy, Margaret, Seamus and Patricia Slevin, Marie, Nora, Hughie and Tommy Brown, Alex, Ina and David Gracie, deceased members of the Gracie and Brown families.

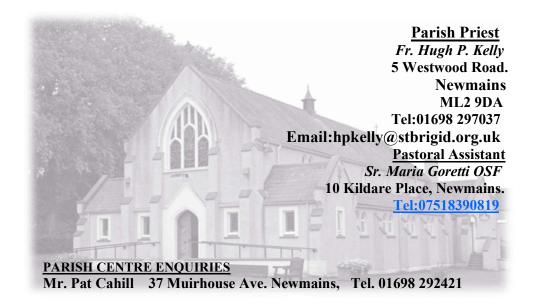
ANNIVERSARIES: Tommy Imrie, Benjamin and Paul Dabrera, Hugh and Betty McDonough, Annie McAtear,



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MASS AND SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK		
SUNDAY (St Brigid's)	11am(Streamed)	Next Sunday 11am (Streamed)
MON – SAT	10am (privately)	(Streamed)
	6pm Devotions in honour of	
PRIVATE PRAYER IN	SUN. 10.30 -12noon	
CHURCH	MON-SAT 10.30am -11am and	
CONFESSIONS	Mon & Fri. 6pm-7pm	
Sacrament of Sick.		Contact Fr Hugh on
		01698 297037