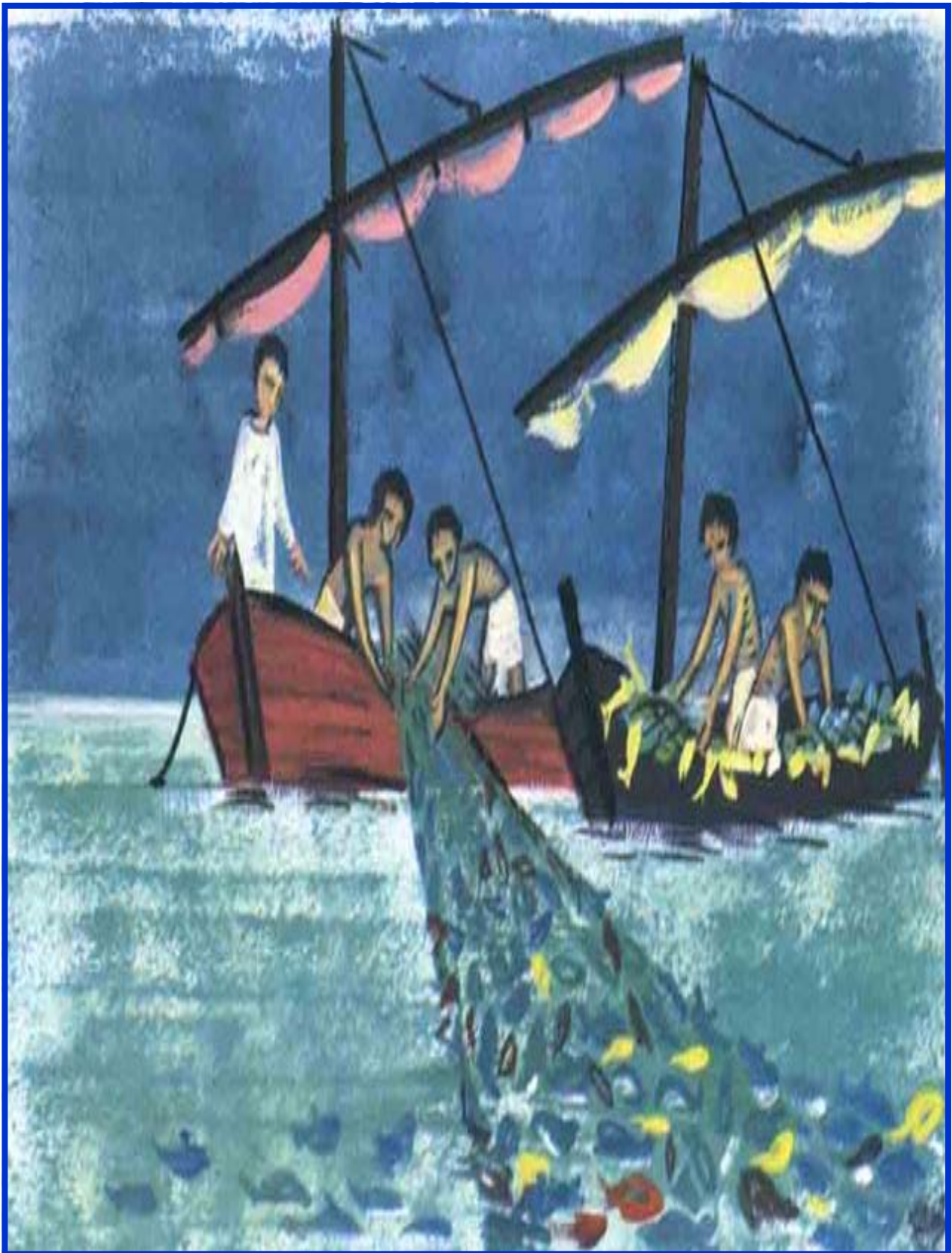


St Bride's **Parish Bulletin**



19th April 2009

Year of St Paul

Low Sunday

Pope Benedict XVI—Easter Message

If it is true that death no longer has power over man and over the world, there still remain very many, in fact too many signs of its former dominion. Even if through Easter, Christ has destroyed the root of evil, he still wants the assistance of men and women in every time and place who help him to affirm his victory using his own weapons: the weapons of justice and truth, mercy, forgiveness and love. This is the message which, during my recent Apostolic Visit to Cameroon and Angola, I wanted to convey to the entire African continent, where I was welcomed with such great enthusiasm and readiness to listen. Africa suffers disproportionately from the cruel and unending conflicts, often forgotten, that are causing so much bloodshed and destruction in several of her nations, and from the growing number of her sons and daughters who fall prey to hunger, poverty and disease. I shall repeat the same message emphatically in the Holy Land, to which I shall have the joy of travelling in a few weeks from now. Reconciliation – difficult, but indispensable – is a precondition for a future of overall security and peaceful coexistence, and it can only be achieved through renewed, persevering and sincere efforts to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. My thoughts move outwards from the Holy Land to neighbouring countries, to the Middle East, to the whole world. At a time of world food shortage, of financial turmoil, of old and new forms of poverty, of disturbing climate change, of violence and deprivation which force many to leave their homelands in search of a less precarious form of existence, of the ever-present threat of terrorism, of growing fears over the future, it is urgent to rediscover grounds for hope. Let no one draw back from this peaceful battle that has been launched by Christ's Resurrection. For as I said earlier, Christ is looking for men and women who will help him to affirm his victory using his own weapons: the weapons of justice and truth, mercy, forgiveness and love.



Mass

Morning Mass at 9.30 am in the first part of the week

Easter Collection

Thank you for the special Easter collection which has come to **£1852.35**.

Good Friday

Thank you for the collection for the Holy Places which came to **£902**

Sciaf

On Sciaf Sunday we were able to send **£2885**. The Sciaf boxes have come to **£2318.31**. The total is **£5203.31**. Thank you to all for their generosity.

Help given

One of our parishioners, who has recently been unemployed, is willing to hire himself out for gardening or odd jobs. Contact Stephen 641 2288. *Stephen is delighted that many people have taken up his offer of help.*

Windows

£8000 has been donated over the last four months

for the windows - thanks to everyone for their support.

Child Protection

Child protection meeting on 22nd April at 7.30 pm in the parish hall.

Come Fly With Me!

We are organising a formal style dance for September of this year. The dance will take place in the Institute and will be a big band sound evening with people invited to wear formal dress. Funds raised will go to Sciaf and ACN. More news will follow.

ACN

The group is looking for anyone who could help them with a fun run in Glasgow on 6th September. Tel Joan 641 9677

Zachary Logan

Payers asked for a young boy who has leukaemia

Coffee morning/Info on ACN

A special coffee morning on 26th April. The morning will also help to inform you about the work of ACN in the world. There

will be stalls and home baking.. ACN meeting on 22nd at 8 pm.

Divine Mercy Novena

The Divine Mercy novena ends with a holy hour today at 2-3pm.

Silver Circle

£20 (19th April) Richard Clarke 60 Morrison Park (20)

Gift Aid

Please join the Gift Aid scheme in the parish, it is a great support to us. If you are new to the parish and wish to help, this would be a great help without any extra cost to yourself. **£22,267.55** was raised last year, the highest amount ever in the parish. .

Holy Water

People were delighted with the holy water bottles that were provided by the parish for Easter. Easter water can be taken from the urn at the altar.

Children's Liturgy

Meeting on Monday (20th April) at 7.30 pm.

<h1>Easter II</h1>	
Monday	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Toddlers: 9.30 am</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Mass: 9.30 am</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Benediction and Evening Prayer 7 pm</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>SVDP 7.30 pm</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Children's Liturgy 7.30 pm</i></p>
Tuesday	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Mass: 9.30 am</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Senior Citizens: 12 noon</i></p>
Wednesday	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Morning Prayer 9.15am</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Mass: 9.30 am</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Toddlers: 9.30 am</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Legion 7 pm</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>ACN 8 pm</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Child Protection 7.30 pm</i></p>
Thursday	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Mass: 9.30 am</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Exposition and Confession 7-8 pm</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Pastoral Planning 8 pm</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>AA 8 pm</i></p>
Friday	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Mass: 10 am</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Novena after Mass</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Toddlers: 9.30 am</i></p>
Saturday	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Mass: 10 am</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Confessions after 10 am Mass</i></p>
Sunday	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Masses: 10 am & 12 noon & 6pm</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>3.30pm (Indian)</i></p>

Pastoral Planning Team

The Pastoral Planning Team met to discuss forthcoming initiatives

Pastoral Council meets on 27th May at 7pm. All representatives of parish groups are asked to attend

A mini **parish retreat** is being organised for the month of June and it is hoped to invite religious order priests to direct the days.

Parish Assembly takes place on September 14th at 7pm.

Looking at **adult education** and formation programmes for introduction in the parish during 2009. These will be provided from resources made available in English dioceses.

Next meeting will look at initiatives for Youth in the parish.

First Holy Communion

Any help that can be given to provide for the breakfasts given to first communicants in May, please see Linda Duffy. .

Fr Breslin

Fr Breslin is recovering from illness at home. He is continuing to improve well and thanks everyone for their concern and prayers.

Died: Alex Gordon; Edward Gallagher; Charles Reilly; Robert Beckman **Anniversaries** Giuseppe, Serafina, Domenico, Lorenzo, Sabatino, Dario & Gloria Crolla; Daria Mozzachiodi; Watson, Traynor & Rodgers families; Margaret Watson; Owen & Maria Harty; Mary & Jim Rooney; Giuliano Gizzi, Domenica, Matthew & Fordie Gizzi; Mary J McKillop; Jean M McKillop (Gillespie); May McIntyre; Mary Monaghan; Cassie Traynor; Effie Waddell; Waddell, Traynor & Gormley families; Mary Brogan; May MacIntyre