

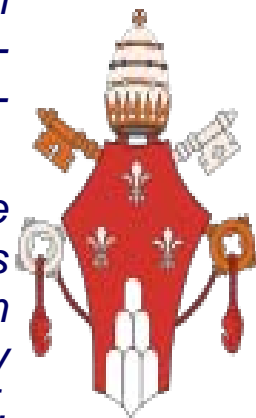
St Bride's - Parish Bulletin



Our Lord Jesus Christ did not hesitate to confide the formidable task of evangelizing the then-known world to a handful of people to all appearances lacking in number and quality. He bade this little flock not to lose heart, for, thanks to His constant assistance, through Him and with Him, they would overcome the world. Jesus has also taught us that the kingdom of God has an intrinsic and unobservable dynamism which enables it to grow "without [man's] knowing it." The harvest of God's kingdom is great, but the labourers, as in the beginning, are few. Actually, they have never been as

numerous as human standards would have judged sufficient. But the heavenly King demands that we pray "the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into His harvest." The counsels and prudence of men cannot supersede the hidden wisdom of Him who, in the history of salvation, has challenged man's wisdom and power by His own foolishness and weakness.

Supported by the power of faith, We express the Church's conviction on this matter. Of this she is certain: if she is prompter and more persevering in her response to grace, if she relies more openly and more fully on its secret but invincible power, if, in short, she bears more exemplary witness to the mystery of Christ, then she will never fall short in the performance of her salvific mission to the world - no matter how much opposition she faces from human ways of thinking or misrepresentations. We must all realize that we can do all things in Him who alone gives strength to souls and increase to His Church.



Paul VI Decree on Sacred Celibacy

Pope Benedict XVI

Pope Benedict is to visit the UK in 2010. This wonderful news will warm the hearts of Catholics in our country. We await details of the visit.

Entering the Catholic Church

If you know of anyone who would like to become a Catholic please let us know.

Service of Prayer

Bishop Devine is organising an ecumenical service of prayer at Motherwell Cathedral for men and women who have fallen in battle during the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. The numbers expected to attend the event are many and consequently the Bishop has issued tickets for the event. If you wish to go, please contact Fr Morton. The ecumenical service takes place at 7.30 pm on 29th October.

New Intake at St Bride's

The primary 1 children will all attend St Bride's on Sunday 4th October at 10 am Mass.

Music Meeting

Cantors and musicians are asked to meet in the chapel house on 12th October at 7.30 pm.

Pastoral Centre, Newmain

The Diocesan Pastoral Centre is organising a number of events:

- **Parish Readers:** Talk on the letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians - 5th November (£2.50)
- **Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:** 10th & 17th November (£2.50)
- **Exploring and living Adult Faith:** 21st November 2009 & 8th May 2010 (£7)
- **Advent Meditations:** 25th November & 2nd December (£2.50)
- **Lenten Meditations:** 24th February & 3rd March 2010 (£2.50)

Contact: 01698 385397

Thank

Thanks to Alice Dillon and people in Coatbridge who raised £1300 for ACN.

Anniversaries: Robert Kyle (Sen & Jun); Betty & Beth Kyle; Jim Rooney; MaryHarty

Brother Patrick

Thank you to everyone who supported the night for Brother Patrick. He is a religious brother who helps care for down and outs in our cities and towns. **£900** was raised - thank you to all who organised the event and all who came along.

Parish Ceili

The parish Ceili will take place on 23rd October. Tickets will go on sale this weekend. Contact: Margaret 583 1187

Scottish Office - ACN

The new ACN office in Scotland will open on 13th October. The Office is located in Motherwell in close proximity to Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral.

Oklahoma

Our Lady's FP's are putting on a performance of **Oklahoma** in Motherwell from 9th-14th November. It is hoped to organise a trip on 10th November, cost £13. Please put your names down (ticket & bus) at the back of the church if interested.

Cub;

We are still looking for new leaders who could help with a new cub pack in the parish. We need at least 4 or 5 volunteers.

Saturday Youth Club

The Film club on a Saturday is due to begin over the next few weeks.

St Bride's Youth Drama Group

The leaders say that the group is full but ask anyone who wishes

to enlist their child to contact them at 641 2288.

Fatima

There will be a preparatory evening for those going to Fatima on 30th September at 7.30pm in the parish hall.

St Charles' Primary School

The First Confession and First Communion meeting due to take place on 30th September has been cancelled.

AGM

AGM for the leaders and helpers of the Toddlers group will be on Monday 5th October.

St Bride's Primary School

The First Confession meeting will be 5th October at 7.30 pm and the First Communion meeting will be the same day at 8.15 pm. Parents must attend to register their children for the sacraments.

Pope Benedict XVI

The Pope will be visiting the Czech Republic this weekend.

St Vincent De Paul

Today is the feast of St Vincent De Paul. St Vincent is the patron of the parish Society that bears his name.

Pilgrimage to India 2010

Fr Sebastian is running a trip to India in November 2010. Contact: 07865997974

Appeal

There will be an appeal on 14-15th November by the Franciscan sisters.

Silver Circle Winner

27th September: £20 Sadie McFadden 6 Eastfield (208)

RCIA

It is planned that the initial meeting for those entering the Catholic Church will be at 7.30 pm on 5th October.

Mission

18th October is Mission Sunday

Indian Community

The Indian Community will be having a retreat between 15th-17th October.

26th Week OT

Monday	<i>Mass: 10 am</i> <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass</i> <i>Benediction & Evening Prayer 7pm</i> <i>SVDP 7.30 pm</i>
Tuesday <i>Archangels</i>	<i>Mass: 10 am</i> <i>Senior Citizens: 12 noon</i> <i>St Bride's Youth Drama 6.30 pm</i>
Wednesday <i>St Jerome</i>	<i>Morning Prayer 9.45am</i> <i>Mass: 10 am</i> <i>Toddlers 9.30 am</i> <i>Legion 7 pm</i>
Thursday <i>St Teresa (Little Flower)</i>	<i>Mass: 10am</i> <i>Golden Group 1.30 pm</i> <i>Benediction and Confession 7-8pm</i> <i>AA 8 pm</i>
Friday <i>Guardian Angels</i>	<i>Mass: 10 am</i> <i>Toddlers 9.30 am</i> <i>Novena after Mass</i>
Saturday	<i>Mass: 10 am</i> <i>Confessions after 10 am Mass</i>
Sunday	<i>Masses: 5.30 pm (Vigil)</i> <i>10 am & 12 noon & 6pm</i> <i>3.30 pm (Indian)</i>

Triduum of St Therese

At St Anne's, Whitevale St 29th Sept-1st Oct