

# St Columbkille's Rutherglen

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## CLERGY

Parish Priest: Fr Bernard Mournian

In Residence: Fr Pat Hennessy

In Residence: Fr Stephen Reilly

Deacon: Rev Bill M<sup>c</sup>Millan

## TWENTY SECOND ORDINARY SUNDAY

**SATURDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> /SUNDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2020**

### Parish Services this Week

Mass:-	Monday-Friday 10am; 1pm
Funeral mass:	Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> Aug, 10am – <i>Agnes Mary Birrell R.I.P.</i>
(Mourners only)	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> Sep, 10am - <i>Ann Coyle R.I.P.</i>
	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September, 10am – <i>William Vincent R.I.P.</i>
Saturday	10am; 5.30pm (Vigil)
Sunday	9am; 10.30am; 12 noon & 4pm
Live Streamed Masses:	Sunday 12 noon; Mon-Fri 1pm; Sat 10am
Sacrament of Reconciliation:	Before 10am mass, in the porch or by arrangement

### **LIVESTREAMING PRIVACY NOTICE**

During live streaming, our camera is focussed on the area of the sanctuary. Please note that you may be seen on camera when going to Communion. If this causes you concern, please speak to the Clergy.

## WEEKLY DONATIONS

The parish income has been severely affected by the pandemic, however the running costs remain the same. We rely completely on the charity of parishioners, therefore, if you are in a position to do so, please consider setting up a standing order or making a regular contribution. The easiest way to do this is to set up a standing order with your bank. These are our bank details:-

**Sort Code: 83-26-24**

**Account No.: 00255006**

If you make a regular donation to the church and haven't already filled out a Gift Aid form we would encourage you to do so. There is no extra cost to yourself but for every £1 you donate, the church gets an extra 25p through Gift Aid.

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUNDAY MASSES

**Places at Sunday Mass MUST be booked through our online booking system [www.st-columbkillesunday-mass.eventbrite.com](http://www.st-columbkillesunday-mass.eventbrite.com).**

Only those who cannot go online should **PHONE or TEXT** 07783 340539. You must leave a message or text to tell us:

1. which Mass you wish to attend (offer 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice)
  2. the NUMBER of places to be reserved
  3. the NAME of each person attending
  4. a PHONE NUMBER so that we can confirm.
- Bookings for the next weekend can be made from **Monday 9am until Saturday 10am. No-one can be admitted to church for Sunday Mass unless they have reserved a place (maximum of 50).**

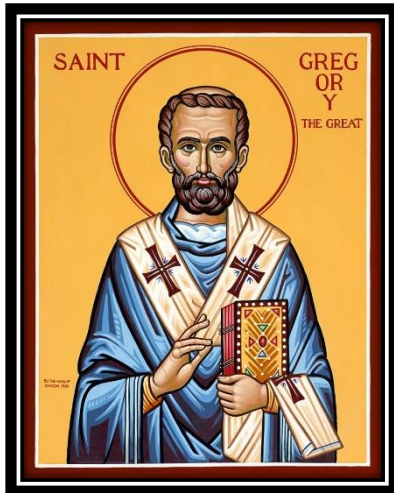
## WEEKDAY MASSES

There is no need to book for weekday mass, places will be allocated on a first come first served basis (maximum of 50).

## SAINT OF THE WEEK

**POPE ST GREGORY THE GREAT (540-604) – Feast Day: 3<sup>rd</sup> September**

***Patron Saint : Musicians, singers, students and teachers***



Pope St Gregory the Great came from a wealthy family. He was the son of a Roman senator and very successful in his own right. By the time he was a young man he was the prefect of Rome (similar to a mayor today). However, Gregory felt God was calling him to something else so he sold all his land and gave most of his money to the poor, turned his family villa into a monastery and became a monk.

During Gregory's lifetime Rome was in a sorry state. The Roman Empire had fallen in the West, the Tiber flooded constantly, there was poverty, famine and the bubonic plague to contend with. When the plague took the life of the pope at the time, Pope Pelagius II, the people of Rome elected Gregory to be their pope.

Gregory didn't want to be pope, he enjoyed the contemplative life of a monk and initially he resisted their efforts to make him pope, going so far as to write to the Emperor asking him to reject the result of the election. He didn't and Gregory eventually agreed, having decided that God had spoken through the people's vote and this was what He wanted him to do.

Pope Gregory believed the plague was a chastisement from God and decreed that there were to be 3 days of fasting and alms giving. He organised a procession of priests, monks and laity who marched around the city praying and holding aloft the famous icon of Mary the Mother of God called Salus Populi Romani (the Salvation of the People of Rome). Legend has it that the image was created by St Luke, the evangelist. As they marched and prayed, those in the procession saw the Archangel St Michael on top of Hadrian's Mausoleum, sheathing his sword. Gregory took this as a sign that Rome would be saved from the plague and indeed it was. A statue of St Michael now adorns the top of the Castel Sant' Angelo as it was subsequently renamed, Castle of the Holy Angel.



Pope Gregory suffered greatly from a number of health problems, mainly constant indigestion, bouts of fever and painful gout. Much of his pontificate was conducted from his chambers. However, in testament to the strength of his leadership, despite his physical frailties, he was able to hold the Church together through the many trials and tribulations she suffered with his insightful theological and ecclesiastical leadership.

He is well known for sending missionaries to Great Britain to share the message of the Gospel, these included St Augustine of Canterbury and St Paulinus of York.

### **SICK OR HOUSEBOUND PARISHIONERS**

If any of our sick or housebound parishioners wish to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Sick please get in touch with Fr Mournian.

### **BAPTISMS**

We are delighted that we are now in a position to be able to resume Baptisms. Anyone wishing to have their child baptised should get in touch with Fr Mournian or Deacon M<sup>c</sup>Millan to make the necessary preparations.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?** Are you or anyone you know interested in becoming a Catholic? Have you been baptised but would like to enter into full Communion with the Church (i.e. receive the remaining Sacraments)? Would you like to learn more about the Catholic faith? (for Catholics and non-Catholics alike) We are hopeful that our **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation in Adults)** course will begin in September, as usual. Details are still being finalised and will be published as soon as possible. However, if you wish to make enquiries just now, please contact Fr Mournian or Chris Hughes (0141 563 9548). All enquiries are confidential and no commitment is required.

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Susan McGowan who will be received into the Catholic Church on 5<sup>th</sup> September in St Cadoc's. Susan should have been received into the church at the Easter Vigil. Thank you to our RCIA group for all their hard work.

### **CALLING ALL CARITAS STUDENTS!**

For all those students undertaking the Pope Benedict XVI Caritas Award, Fr Mournian would be most grateful of your help maintaining the church grounds and garden. Please come along on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September, 10.30-12.... bring a spade and gloves!

### **HOLY SOLES**

Our walking group will have their first post lockdown meeting on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August! We will meet outside the church at 11.30am for a short walk and of course, coffee and a catch up! New members are most welcome.

### **READERS**

Anyone wishing to read at Mass should let the priest know before the start of Mass and take your seat at the side of the sanctuary beside the ambo.

### **STEWARDS REQUIRED**

As lockdown has eased and people have been returning to work and personal commitments, we are finding that we are short of stewards to assist at Mass, both during the week and on a Sunday. If anyone can help us in this capacity, please click on the relevant link below where you will be redirected to our volunteer form. Full training will be given. For more information please contact Fr Mournian.

[Form A Volunteer Application form](#) (to be completed by previously "safely recruited" parish volunteers who will act as stewards)

[Form B Volunteer Application form](#) (to be completed by NEW volunteers who will act as stewards)

### **Please pray for the following:-**

#### **Sick**

Bea van der Linden (Netherlands), Laurence Buchanan, Margaret Gray, Margaret Malone

#### **Recently deceased**

Ann Creely, Margaret M<sup>c</sup>Laughlin, Ann Coyle, Pauline Morgan, Edward Kelly, Billy Vincent, Mark Deery, Margaret Quinn (Prestonpans), James Carr, Canon Niall Hayes, Michael McGarrigle, Thomas Staunton Ballina, Margaret McCabe, Agnes Birrell, Susan Chong,

#### **Anniversaries**

James Harkison, Joseph Gray, Lori Sichi, William Fulton, Jane Clark, Sam Gallagher, Derek Whitelaw, Noble Whitelaw.

#### **Month's mind**

James Queen, Hugh Rodden, Frances Robertson

#### **Birthday**

Dominic Simpson (21!), Jean Clark

#### **Baptism**

We welcome Joseph James Burrows and Zakaria James Akram to our community. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.