

# St Columbkille's Rutherglen

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## CLERGY

Parish Priest: **Fr Bernard Mournian**

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## THIRTIETH ORDINARY SUNDAY

**SATURDAY 24<sup>th</sup>/SUNDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2020**

### Parish Services this Week

**Mass:-** Monday-Friday 10am; 1pm

**Funeral mass:**

Saturday 10am; 5.30pm (Vigil)

Sunday 9am; 10.30am; 12 noon & 4pm

**Live Streamed Masses:** Sunday 12 noon; Mon-Fri 1pm; Sat 10am

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Monday-Saturday 9.30-10am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Before 10am mass, in the porch or by arrangement

**Baptisms/Weddings:** Please speak to a member of the clergy to make an appointment.

### **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.

### **ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUNDAY MASSES**

Places at Sunday Mass **MUST** be booked through our online booking system

[www.st-columbkillessunday-mass.eventbrite.com](http://www.st-columbkillessunday-mass.eventbrite.com). or by **PHONE** or **TEXT** 07783 340539.

**Last week's collection - £1590 - Thank you for your generosity**

## WEEKLY DONATIONS

Please consider making a regular donation to the parish. The easiest way to do this is to set up a standing order with your bank using our bank details:-

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

**Account No: 00255006**

Filling out our Gift Aid form will allow us to claim an extra 20% of your donation from the taxman, at no cost to yourself!

Standing order and Gift Aid forms are at the back of the church or on our website.

## EXTRAORDINARY COLLECTION ENVELOPES

During the month of October there will be extraordinary collection envelopes at the back of the church. These will contribute to our levy to the Diocese which helps us to cover the costs of educating seminarians, sick and retired priests, Catholic education etc. **There will be no other extraordinary collections until we return to normal church services.** Please give as generously as you can. Envelopes can be returned with your weekly collection.

### **OCTOBER DEVOTIONS – MONDAY AT 7PM**

There will be recitation of the Holy Rosary and a short reflection followed by Solemn Benediction. Places can be booked, on a first come first served basis, through the registration steward when you come to mass or by emailing [stcolumbkille@rcdom.org.uk](mailto:stcolumbkille@rcdom.org.uk). Please be considerate to other parishioners when booking, we are mindful that there are only 4 weeks in October and places are limited.

### **PARISH REGISTRATION**

If you would like to be added to our register please ask a steward for a form or email us with your name, address and phone number.

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Congratulations to the children of St Columbkille's Primary who made their First Holy Communion on Saturday. The children were a credit to their families and the school. Thank you to everyone involved in preparing them for this special Sacrament.

### **ALL SOULS DAY – 2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER**

To commemorate this important feast day and to allow as many people as possible to attend mass there will be 4 masses on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 7am, 10am, 1pm and 7pm. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis, no booking required. Mass at 1pm will be live streamed.

**November lists** - available from the stewards. Mass will be offered throughout November for all the names on your list.

### **YOUNG ADULTS GROUP**

The Young Adults Group begins this Tuesday 27th Oct at 7pm in the Church and will conclude with Solemn Benediction. The group is open to anyone between the ages of 16-35. Anyone wishing to attend should contact Fr Mournian by email [frmournian@rcdom.org.uk](mailto:frmournian@rcdom.org.uk)

### **PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS**

Available to purchase at the back of the church. If you have ordered Christmas cards please see Fr Mournian, they are now ready for collection.

### **MISSIO SCOTLAND**

Fr Hennessey has given an excellent interview to Missio Scotland (a charity very close to his heart) about his time in Peru - you can read the interview [here](#). Missio Scotland are currently fundraising for 2 projects in the Sicuni Prelature in Peru. The first would involve the construction of a parish house in San Sebastian de Llusco and the second is a feeding programme for disabled children. To donate to Missio Scotland please [click here](#) or place your donation in an envelope marked Missio Scotland and hand in to church with your normal collection.

### **SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN – PLEA FOR HELP**

SPUC are asking pro-life supporters to take part in a consultation launched by the Scottish Government 'Future Arrangements for Early Medical Abortion at Home.' SPUC have produced an excellent booklet which gives a step by step guide to completing the questionnaire. The booklet can be accessed [here](#). The consultation closes on 5th January 2021.

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

##### **Sick**

Sophia Walker (9), Jim Ferguson, Joe Doherty, Trudi Hewitt, Rose Wilson, Mark M<sup>c</sup>Lachlan, Eric O'Neil (5), Bea van der Linden, Laurence Buchanan, Margaret Gray, Margaret Malone, James M<sup>c</sup>Philips

##### **Recently deceased**

Neal Doherty, Frank Barrett, Brendan Parker, Pat O'Neill, Michael Dunne, Margaret Hannah, Aaron Walsh, Sharon Collins

##### **Anniversaries**

Bridie Burke, John Wilson, James and Rose Duffy, Catherine Broadley, Jimmy and Katie Gallagher, Mary McGinlay

##### **Months Mind**

Daniel Broadley

##### **Birthday Remembrance**

Bridie Burke, Eilish M<sup>c</sup>Kaveny

##### **Baptisms**

We welcome Iona Armstrong to our community.

## **HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY – FEAST DAY 2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER**

***'It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from their sins' 2 Macabees, Ch 12:46***

The Catholic Church has always advocated the importance of praying for the faithful departed, which is why November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. This importance is highlighted by the fact that this is the only month of the year not dedicated to Jesus, Mary or the Holy Family. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states: ***'All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven.'***



Many of our loved ones who have died are still journeying on their path to sainthood. We can assist them with their journey and, in so doing, obtain graces for ourselves. Those who are in Purgatory can no longer help themselves, they are completely dependent on us. Our prayers and sacrifices, offered on their behalf, help to ease their suffering and hasten their purification, so that they are fit to enter Heaven. More souls are released from Purgatory during the Consecration of the Mass than at any other time. Christmas is the day of the year when most souls are delivered; then feast days of Our Lord, Our Lady and great saints. Souls receive grace from prayers offered for them on their birthdays, day of baptism, anniversary of their death.

Many of our great saints offered prayers and sacrifices continuously for the Holy Souls. In St Faustina's diary she recalls an encounter with a fellow Sister who visited her after her death. Initially, St Faustina reports, her face was in flames and distorted with pain, despite the prayers being offered for her soul. On her final visit her appearance had changed. St Faustina tells us – ***'There were no longer any flames, as there had been before, and her face was radiant, her eyes beaming with joy. She told me that I had a true love for my neighbour and that many other souls had profited from my prayers. She urged me not to cease praying for the souls in purgatory, and she added that she herself would not remain there much longer.'***

St Pio also had a great love and devotion for the Holy Souls and was visited by many souls whom he had helped to enter heaven. St Pio tells us - ***"As many souls of the dead come up this road (to the monastery) as that of the souls of the living."*** These souls would often ask for a Mass to be said for them, highlighting the spiritual weight of a Mass and how it can shorten the time a person spends in purgatory, before embracing the glories of heaven.

This prayer was revealed to St Gertrude the Great by Our Lord, who told her that it would release 1000 souls from Purgatory.

***Eternal Father, I offer You the most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for all sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.***

A very simple prayer to the Holy Souls - ***'Jesus, Mary, I love you save souls'*** - was given to Venerable Sister Consolata Betrone, an Italian mystic, by Our Lord. He asked her to pray it continuously without ceasing, ***'from when you get up in the morning until you go to bed at night.'*** Each time it is said a soul is released from Purgatory.