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CLERGY

Parish Priest: **Fr Bernard Mournian**

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Deacon: **Rev Bill M^cMillan**

THIRTY THIRD ORDINARY SUNDAY

SATURDAY 14TH NOVEMBER/SUNDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2020

Parish Services this Week

Mass:- Monday-Friday 10am; 1pm

Funeral masses: Friday 20th Nov, 1pm - **Scott M^cKenzie R.I.P. (Mourners only)**

Saturday 10am; **4pm (Vigil)** and 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. or by **PHONE** or **TEXT** 07783 340539.

Last week's collection - £1520 - 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.

EXTRA VIGIL MASS

To allow more people to attend Sunday mass there is now an additional vigil mass on Saturdays at 4pm. **We urgently need new stewards to cover this mass and weekday masses.** If you can help, please email miriam.mckernan@googlemail.com

MISSIO SCOTLAND COLLECTION

Our entrance collection for Missio Scotland last week raised **£1155**. Thank you to everyone for their generosity in supporting this charity, which is close to Fr Hennessy's heart.

ANNUAL MASS FOR DECEASED PARISHIONERS

We will be celebrating Mass for our parishioners who have died in the last year over 2 weekends - **Saturday 21st November 10am and Saturday 28th November 10am**. Please note this is for family of deceased parishioners only and attendance is by invitation. **There will be no public mass on Saturday morning for those 2 weekends.**

VOTIVE CANDLES FOR THE HOLY SOULS

During November, votive candles for the Holy Souls are available to purchase at the back of the church. The stewards will light these and place them on the altar for you before Mass.

80TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIONS

Vestment sponsorship - We are offering parishioners the opportunity to donate to this, either in your own name or as a lasting legacy for a loved one. Names will be embroidered onto the vestments – can be an individual's name or a family name. Envelopes for your donation are at the back of the church. Certificates, in a similar style to those given for the fresco sponsorship, are available for those who would like to commemorate their donation e.g. if it was being given as a gift - for more information see Fr Mournian.

Attendance at Mass with Bishop Toal – Due to the ongoing restrictions on celebrating Mass we have very limited spaces for our Anniversary Mass with Bishop Toal. If you would like to attend please fill out the request slip, available at the back of the church and place in any of the boxes. If the number of requests exceed the spaces available a draw will take place.

EASYFUNDRAISING

Do you shop online? Easyfundraising is a great way to support your church at no cost to yourself! Click [here](#) to go to Easyfundraising to sign up and select your cause (**St Columbkille's Church Building Fund**). When you are ready to shop go to the Easyfundraising website first, click on the retailer you want to shop with - it will take you to the retailer's website where you can shop as normal. After you've checked out the retailer will make a donation to our account—**at no extra cost to you!**

SVDP GIFT TREE

St Vincent de Paul's Gift Tree is going up at the back of the church this weekend. Sadly, it is needed more than ever this year. If you are in a position to help, please take a gift tag home with you. We ask that all donations be returned by **22nd November** with the gift tag attached and placed under the tree. Thank you in advance for your support.

SVDP & LIDL - 'Teaming up to Tackle Hunger'

We are delighted to share that SVDP has been selected as the confirmed charity partner for Lidl Rutherglen and their 'Teaming up to Tackle Hunger Campaign' which started on Thursday, 12th November. For 4 weeks shoppers are encouraged to donate one of 5 products (rice, UHT milk, muesli, chopped tomatoes or tinned tuna) to SVDP's foodbank. The donations will be added up and the products matched in quantity by Lidl. Please support our local SVDP foodbank if you can.

FESTIVE CAFÉ

During Advent we will be hosting a festive café in the hall after all **SUNDAY MORNING** masses, beginning on Sunday 29th November. This is a great opportunity for parishioners to get together for a catch up over a coffee. Home baking, cards and calendars will be available to purchase. Donations of home baking will be gratefully received!

THANK YOU – FRANCES WATSON

We would like to take this opportunity to offer our sincere thanks to Frances Watson as she retires from her role as Safeguarding Co-ordinator for the parish. She has worked tirelessly in this capacity for a number of years and we are very grateful for all her hard work. Our thanks also go to Miriam McKernan who has agreed to take over this role on behalf of the parish.

UPKEEP OF CHURCH GROUNDS

Thank you to Ken Ross, a former pupil of St Columbkille's primary school, who has done a fantastic job cleaning the perimeter wall and grounds. Ken is a local handyman and comes highly recommended! (07920 729624)

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

Catholic Education Week takes place each year from the Feast of St Margaret of Scotland (16th November) until the Feast of St Andrew (30th November). This year's theme is : *"Jesus Christ- The Way, The Truth and The Life"*.

The purpose of Catholic Education Week is to highlight the significance of education, not only for young people but for society as a whole. Students, parents, teachers and others are asked to reflect on their own roles in the education process – at home, in school, in the local parish and in other educational settings.

Catholic Education Week Prayer

*Jesus our Teacher, in your love for us,
help us to develop our own talents
so that we may become like you
and lead lives of goodness.*

Bless all learners and all teachers.

May our Catholic schools continue to serve our families, our communities and our country.

Help us, through our learning, to believe in you and to celebrate the life of your Church.

Help us to grow in holiness as we grow in friendship with you and try to become saints.

We make this prayer in the name of Jesus, our Lord. Amen

MARY'S MEALS – DOUBLE THE LOVE

Donations made to Mary's Meals from now until 31 January 2021 will be doubled by the UK government, up to £2 million – meaning they can reach even more hungry children with life-changing school meals! To donate to Mary's Meals click [here](#).

CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUETS

There are now Christmas Mass Bouquet cards available at the back of the Church. These would make a lovely gift at Christmas. Cards cost £1. Please fill out a Mass Offering envelope and place in the green box at the back of the church.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Continues on 17th Nov at 7pm with a talk by our very own, Fr Stephen Reilly – ***Transgender:- Male and Female He created them: Transgender Issues and the Catholic Faith***. The group is open to anyone between the ages of 16-35. Please contact Fr Mournian beforehand if you wish to attend - frmournian@rcdom.org.uk

CARD MACHINE – MISSING PAYMENTS

The card machine at the back of the church for making donations to the parish is **NOT** sensitive! In order for the transaction to be processed the card reader must make a 'beep' sound and read 'payment approved'. If this doesn't happen please try again because we are unfortunately unable to process payments that have not been authorised.

Please pray for the following:-

Sick

Helen McAllister, Fraser McAllister, Isabel McEwan, David McPhail, Sophia Walker (9), Jim Ferguson, Joe Doherty, Trudi Hewitt, Mark McLachlan, Eric O'Neil (5), Bea van der Linden, Margaret Gray, Margaret Malone

Recently deceased

Marie Kelly, Madge Curran, Maureen Stewart, Alice Brown, Eleanor Wilson, Bernard Hainie (Hamilton), Charles Lapsley, Margaret and Gerry Byrne, Trudi Hewitt (Quinn), John McColgan, Billy McDougall, Neil Doherty, Agnes McLaughlin, Betty McNamee.

Anniversaries

Kevin McCarra, Michael and Mary Hanley, Charlie Mount, Joseph McNab, Elizabeth Campbell, Susan White, Catherine Stevenson, Meta Hughes

Baptism

We welcome Iona Mae Armstrong to our community

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST HILDA OF WHITBY (614-680) – Feast Day: 17th November

Patron Saint: Poetry, learning and culture

The picturesque seaside town of Whitby on the Yorkshire Coast is a popular holiday destination and Whitby Abbey, which sits atop the East Cliff and overlooks the town is its oldest and most prominent landmark. Whitby Abbey was once a hub of the early Christian Church and our Saint of the Week, St Hilda, was the reason it was so important.

Hilda was brought up in the royal court of King Edwin, the King of Northumbria. King Edwin and his whole court, including Hilda, were baptised in 627 by St Paulinus of York, a Roman monk who had been sent by Pope St Gregory the Great to England in 601 to assist St Augustine of Canterbury. When Hilda was 33, she decided to answer the call of St Aidan of Lindisfarne to become a nun. Here, with a few companions, she learned the traditions of Celtic monasticism, which Bishop Aidan had brought from Iona.

When St Aidan needed someone to establish a monastery at Whitby, he chose Hilda for the job. She had a reputation for being fair, kind and patient. As Abbess, Hilda made sure that everyone followed the traditional ideals of monasticism - all property and goods were held in common; Christian virtues were exercised, especially peace and charity; everyone had to study the Bible and do good works. She was a skilled administrator and teacher and gained such a reputation for wisdom that kings and princes sought her advice. Under her guidance and leadership, five of her monks became bishops – Bosa, Aetla, Offfor, John of Beverley, and Wilfrid.

Hilda not only helped kings and princes, but ordinary folk as well. She advised villagers on how to deal with a troublesome flock of geese and legend has it that she rid Whitby of snakes by turning them to stone. St Caedmon was a lay brother who looked after the animals at Whitby Abbey and St Hilda encouraged him to pursue, what she believed, was his divine gift of writing Christian songs and poems. St Bede, writing about St Hilda says, **‘all who knew her called her mother because of her outstanding devotion and grace.’**

Such was her reputation, that in 664 the King of Northumberland decided to hold the synod of the church at Whitby Abbey, believing that everything would go to plan because St Hilda would be in charge! The big issue at the time was when the Church would celebrate Easter. On one side were the Celtic churches, those who had been converted by Patrick, David and Columba. On the other side were the Roman churches, those who had been converted by Augustine of Canterbury and Paulinus of York. After much argument they agreed to follow the ways of Rome, because they were also the ways of Christians all over Europe, Africa and Asia. Although Hilda had sided with the Celtic Christians on this matter, she nevertheless made sure that all the decisions that were made at the synod were carried out.

Hilda suffered from a fever for the last seven years of her life, but continued to work until her death on 17 November 680, at what was then the advanced age of sixty-six. In her last year she set up another monastery, fourteen miles from Whitby, at Hackness. When Hilda died, a nun at the Hackness Abbey was reported to have seen the roof of the dormitory open to reveal Hilda’s soul ascending to heaven accompanied by angels. When the monks arrived from Whitby with the news of Hilda’s death, the nuns were already singing psalms and praying for her soul.

