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The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Year (C) 14 September, 2025

Sacrament of Penance	Sunday Mass	Weekday Mass
<p>Saturday: Before 10am Mass & 5pm to 5.20pm</p> <p>Tuesday: Before 10am Mass & after 8pm Novena</p>	<p>Vigil mass: (Saturday) 5.30pm</p> <p>Sunday: 10am 12noon</p>	<p>Monday to Saturday: 10am</p> <p>St Antony's Novena:</p> <p>Tuesday: 10am & 8pm</p> 

FRANCISCAN VOCATION

The Franciscan Community invites enquiries from single Catholic people aged 18-40 pondering a possible vocation in the religious and/or priestly life and Franciscan life (www.friar.org) If interested please contact Br Donal via email: brdonalofm@yahoo.co.uk



*"My Lord Jesus Christ, I implore you to enlighten me
and to disperse the darkness of my soul.
Give me true faith, firm hope and perfect Charity.
Grant me, O Lord, to know you so well, that in all things I may act by
your light and in accordance with your holy will."
(St Francis' prayer for guidance)*

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT TAKES PLACE EVERY MONDAY EVENING (between 6 & 7pm), AND ON THE FIRST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH. NEXT WILL BE 7th NOVEMBER, 2025 (between 5.45 & 6.45pm), AS 3rd OCTOBER, 2025 IS THE TRANSITUS OF ST. FRANCIS.

Evening Prayer: Each Monday evening at 5.45pm, the Franciscan Community prays Evening Prayer in the church (Divine Office). All are welcome to join us. Evening Prayer is followed by Eucharistic adoration.

Introduction: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (24th Sunday - Year 'C')

The celebration's core is not the Cross's wood or the holy sites where Jesus died and was buried. The primary focus is the infinite love shown through the Son of God's selfless and perfect Sacrifice and the boundless mercy that has poured forth upon the world as a result. The Cross, a cruel instrument of torture and death, is now the symbol of God's perfect love, further magnifying that love and showcasing God's infinite power to use the worst for the best: to use death to bring life and to transform the greatest act of cruelty ever known into the greatest act of mercy ever bestowed upon the world.

Today's Readings:

First Reading: (Book of Numbers 21: 4b-9)

If anyone was bitten by a serpent, he looked up at the bronze serpent and lived.

Response to Psalm: NEVER FORGET THE DEEDS OF THE LORD!

Second Reading: Letter of St. Paul (Philippians 2: 6-11)

Christ humbled himself but God raised him high.

Gospel: (John 3: 13-17)

Being a disciple of Christ involves self-renunciation - we must be prepared to accept the cost.

THANKSGIVING PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

Jesus, my God, You are now in me and I in You.

Each of us has eaten at your table.

May we always be close to You and to each other, as children of one family. We
praise You, we adore You,
we thank You for coming to us. Amen.

Feast Days (this week):

Monday (15th September) Our Lady of Sorrows (Memorial), and
St. Mirin (Memorial)

Tuesday (16th September) St. Ninian (Feast)

Wednesday (17th September) Feast of Stigmata of St. Francis, and
St. Robert Bellarmine (Memorial), and
St. Hildegard of Bingen (Memorial)

Thursday (18th September) St. Cornelius (Memorial)

Friday (19th September) St. Januarius (Memorial)

Saturday (20th September) St. Andrew Kim Tae-Gon, and
St. Paul Chong Ha-Sang and Companions (Memorial)

****Pro-Life Mass:** The monthly Pro-Life Mass is on Wednesday, 17th September at 7.30pm at Holy Cross, 113 Dixon Ave, G42 8ER. Adoration begins at 6.15pm. Tea in the hall afterwards - all welcome.

****Special Collection in aid of SPRED:** Today's special collection is for SPRED which supports parishioners with a learning or developmental disability, to grow in faith and take part in parish life. The annual collection is a large part of SPRED'S income, so anything you can give will be gratefully received. SPRED also needs volunteers. To find out what is involved, please see this month's Flourish, or take a leaflet in the atrium.

****Special Notice:** Fr. Caoimhin will be absent from mid-September to mid-October, on works for the Franciscan Order. During the period, Fr. Donal and Br. Niall will be caring for the parish. Please note, there will **NOT** be a Mass on Thursday (2/10 and 9/10), instead a Service of the Word and Eucharist will take place.

****St. Francis weekend:** On Friday, 3rd October, there will be a School Mass for the feast of St. Francis at 10am. On the day, we will celebrate the Transitus (death) of St. Francis at 7pm. On Saturday 4th October at 10am the parish will celebrate the Feast of St. Francis. The Mass will be followed, at 11am, by a short service in the car park (or atrium if raining) for the Blessing of Pets.

****The Venerable Margaret Sinclair National Pilgrimage:** takes place on Sunday 21st September. It commences at 12.30pm and Holy Mass will be celebrated at 4:30pm. Confessions available ALL day. The event takes place at St Patrick's, Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1NA. Refreshments available. For further details, please see wall poster on the church hall side of the atrium.

****Glasgow 850 Sponsored Interfaith Walk:** Saturday 4th October 11am - 6.45pm. Visit 8 place of worship in one day, meet your neighbours from other faith and cultures, enjoy a free community meal at the Sikh Gurdwara, raise funds for Interfaith Glasgow. Open to all ages, register with suggested £10 donation. To register, please see poster in atrium, and scan the QR.

****SCIAF:** The Community Engagement Team, from SCIAF, have written to our parish to say "thank you" for the donation of £1,626.66, that we made in response to their Special Collection and WEE box appeal.

****The Beginning Experience:** are holding a weekend for those who find themselves suffering bereavement of separation, divorce, or widowhood. The weekend will take place from 26th to 28th September, 2025 at Conforti Centre, Coatbridge. For details contact; Maggie on 01389 751677 or email: beginningexperiencescotland2@gmail.com

Father, I give you all my cares and concerns this day.

I hope and trust in your love and mercy.

14th September, 2025

Let us pray for the sick:

Heal your servants, Lord, who are sick. Send them health and comfort from your holy place.

We remember all the sick of our Parish, our families, and friends. All those who are sick at home, in Hospitals, Care Homes and Hospices.

For those who have died recently: Hugh Boyle, John Brady, Rita Campbell, Isobel Connor, Neil Ferry, James Lynch, Phonsie McCulloch, John McFadden, Patricia McHugh, Anthony MacLeod, John Orr, Joe Reid, John Rennie, Michael Ridge, Jean Strain, Bernie Sweeney, Josephine Sweeney, Michael Thompson.

For those whose anniversaries occur about now: Elizabeth and Thomas McGinnity, Cecelia McLaughlin, Annie and Michael Roarty, Dan and Mamie Sharkey, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

For names to appear in the BULLETIN, envelope **MUST** be endorsed **"BULLETIN"** and specify **"LATELY DEAD"** or **"ANNIVERSARY"**.

Collections Sunday: (7th September, 2025)

1st: £ T.B.A. / 2nd Development: £ T.B.A. / Gift Aid: £ T.B.A.

2nd Collection: 14th September, 2025 - SPRED

****Help Sought (BCOS Commission for Marriage, Family & Life):** If you have been safely recruited and have a PVG certificate for a ministry in the Catholic Church, would you please be able to give up a Saturday (25th October 2025) to help with children's activities at an all-day National Family Conference in St. Bride's, Motherwell? Eighty families from around Scotland are being invited to attend and if, on average, they have 3 children each, that is at least a possible 240 children requiring supervision. An information evening about this event is on Wednesday 24th September at 7pm in the Diocesan Offices, Paisley. Should you know of other possible 'volunteers', please pass on this plea

****Reconciliation and Healing Service:** Sunday 28th September at 5pm, Tyburn Nuns, Benedictine Monastery, 5 Mackerston Place, Largs, KA30 8BY. Speaker - Joe Livingston. Theme - The Sacredness of the Sacred Heart. Opportunity for Confession, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament (Canon Joe Balmer). Prayer Ministry. Music (Praise and Worship). Tea and Coffee - All Welcome.

****Mass Attendance (07.09.25)**

83 @ 5.30pm (Vigil) / 117 @ 10am / 96 @ 12noon / TOTAL 296