



## *Blessed John Duns Scotus Parish*

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*17<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year*

*28<sup>th</sup> July, 2024 (B)*

### Sacrament of Penance

#### **Saturday:**

Before 10:00am Mass  
& 5.00pm to 5.20pm

#### **Tuesday:**

Before 10 am Mass  
& after 8pm Novena

### Sunday Mass

Vigil mass:  
(Saturday) 5.30pm

#### **Sunday:**

10.00 am  
12 noon  
6.00 pm

### Weekday Mass

**Monday to Saturday:**  
10:00am

**St Antony's  
Novena:**

**Tuesday:**  
10am & 8pm



### **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](http://www.friar.org)) If interested please contact Br Donal via email: [brdonalofm@yahoo.co.uk](mailto: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, AND ON THE FIRST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH  
- NEXT BEING 2<sup>nd</sup> AUGUST, 2024 – ALL BETWEEN 6pm AND 7pm.**

**Introduction: 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)**

Christ fed the hungry, and did so with great generosity. Here, he feeds us with the food of the Eucharist. We receive this precious food, not because we are worthy of it, but because we need it, and he invites us to receive it.

**Today's Readings:**

**First Reading:** (2 Kings 4:42-44)

The miraculous food which the prophet Elisha gave to hungry people was a sign of God's concern for his people.

**Response to Psalm: YOU OPEN WIDE YOUR HAND, O LORD,  
AND GRANT OUR DESIRES.**

**Second Reading:** (Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians 4:1-6)

St. Paul pleads with the Ephesians to live a life in keeping with the Gospel, placing special emphasis on the need for unity and harmony.

**Gospel:** (John 6:1-15)

Like Elisha, Jesus feeds the people miraculously, but does so even more astonishingly.

**Feast Days (this week):**

Monday (29<sup>th</sup> July) Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus (Memorial)

Tuesday (30<sup>th</sup> July) St. Peter Chrysologus (Memorial)

Wednesday (31<sup>st</sup> July) St. Ignatius of Loyola (Memorial)

Thursday (1<sup>st</sup> August) St. Alphonsus Mary de Liguori

Friday (2<sup>nd</sup> August) St. Eusebius of Vercelli, and

St. Peter Julian Eymard (both Memorials)

**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*

**\*\*BJDS 500 CLUB ("Glasgow Fair" Draw - 2024)**

Kathleen Coll £100 / Alex Knox £100 / Mary Coyle £100 - Congratulations!!!

**\*\*BJDS 500 CLUB (July Draw - 2024)**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Bridget McGeever £100. 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Anthony Sluman £50. 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: Peter McLaughlin £25.

Congratulations to our lucky winners. A BIG thank you to all our loyal supporters. New members are ALWAYS welcome (only £1/month or £12/year). To join, please enquire.

**\*\* VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL REQUIRED AS READERS AND COMMUNION GIVERS. DON'T BE SHY!!! IF WILLING TO ASSIST, PLEASE CONTACT FR. EDDIE \*\***

**!!! Please see new Rota for Readers and Communion Givers!!!**

**\*\*Carfin Pilgrimages:** have been arranged by the Legion of Mary on 13th August, 13th September, and 13th October. Beginning at 7.30pm with Rosary Procession followed by Holy Mass and Benediction until 9pm. Prayers offered for world peace, young people, vocations, and Parish renewal. All welcome.

**\*\*Appeal for Wool:** “Care 2 Knit” If you can donate wool (of all types and colours), it will be very much appreciated. If able to assist, please call or text Anna Malone on 07469 893292. Thank you.

**\*\*WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS & THE ELDERLY:**

The National Commission for Marriage, Family and Life are marking this event on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2024 at Carfin Grotto with Mass at 3pm, celebrated by the commission’s president Bishop John Keenan. The café will be open for refreshments. Please come along and enjoy this inter-generational day together.

**Pope Francis celebrated the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly in 2021 and decreed that it be observed each year on the Sunday closest to the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, Jesus' grandparents.**

**In his message for this year's celebration, Pope Francis focused on the problem of intergenerational conflict, calling it "a fallacy and the poisoned fruit of conflict."**

**Dedicated to the theme "Do not cast me off in my old age" from the Book of Psalms, the pope's message said the elderly must not be accused of saddling younger generations with their medical expenses and pensions -- a notion which foments intergenerational conflict and drives older people into isolation.**

**"The loneliness and abandonment of the elderly is not by chance or inevitable, but the fruit of decisions -- political, economic, social and personal decisions -- that fail to acknowledge the infinite dignity of each person," the pope had written.**

**The pope encouraged all people to express gratitude to those who, often at great sacrifice, "care for an older person or simply demonstrate daily closeness to relatives or acquaintances who no longer have anyone else."**

**\*\*National Youth Pilgrimage Day:** will take place on Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> Sept. Join Archbishop Nolan, Archbishop Cushley, the Youth Office and young people from across the country for a walking pilgrimage through the streets of Glasgow City Centre, recalling the saints that walked them before us, concluding with Mass in St. Andrew’s Cathedral. 12.30 - 17.00. The day is open to youth from 1st year of High School through to 35 years old, with there being a ‘junior’ and ‘senior’ split. For further details please logon to [www.tinyurl.com/rcagnyp24](http://www.tinyurl.com/rcagnyp24).

Old Jokes or true sayings?: What’s a Granny? (Description by an 8yr old.

A Grandmother is a lady who has no children of her own so she likes other people’s little boys and girls. A Grandfather is a man-Grandmother! He goes for walks with the boys and they talk about fishing and tractors. Grandmothers don’t have to do anything but be there. They are old so they should not play hard or run. They should never say “Hurry up” Usually they are fat, but not too fat to tie the children’s shoes. They wear glasses and funny underwear and take off their teeth and gums. They don’t have to be smart – only answer questions like “Why do dogs hate cats?” and “Why isn’t God married?” They don’t talk baby talk like visitors. When they read to us they don’t skip bits or mind if it is the same story over again. Everybody should have one, especially if you don’t have television – because Grandmothers are the only grown-ups who have the time.

**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:** Patrick Boyle, Christine Cairns, Denis Friel, Thomas Gillen, Michael Greene, Susan Junnor, Kath McLachlan, Megan Nisbet, Josephine Smith.

**For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Antoinette Cosgrove, Mary Creane, Mike Daly, Paschael Farren (8<sup>th</sup>), Roseanne Fullerton, Billy Gemmell, Ann Harkinson (15<sup>th</sup>), Jimmy Harkinson (14<sup>th</sup>), John Paul Hart, Des Henaghen, Allan Junnor (Snr), Allan Junnor (Jnr), George Lynch (Jnr), Frances McFadden, Jim McQueenie, Margaret McSorley (14<sup>th</sup>), Seamus McWilliams, David Reilly, John Scroggie, Winnie Sweeney, Andrew & Margaret Tait.

For names to appear in the BULLETIN, envelope **MUST** be clearly marked "BULLETIN" (in BLOCK CAPITALS) followed by "LD" (Lately Dead) or "ANNIVERSARY".

FOR DATA PROTECTION PURPOSES, **IF "BULLETIN" IS NOT SHOWN ON THE REQUEST, THEN NAME(S) WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN BULLETIN.**

**Collections Sunday: 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2024.**

**1<sup>st</sup>: £621.00, Gift Aid: £267.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>: £406.30, (Development Fund).**

**Second Collection: 28<sup>th</sup> July, 2024 (Development Fund).**

**PLEASE PICK UP GIFT AID ENVELOPES FOR NEXT FINANCIAL YEAR**

*We are all experiencing difficulties with Gas and Electricity Bills.*

*A good way to help with our Church Bills is to Gift Aid your weekly donation.*

*If you are a Tax payer then an additional 25% can be claimed at no extra cost to yourself. Please ask for Form and Envelopes if able to participate in this!*

**\*\*PARENTS/GUARDIANS WANTING BAPTISM FOR THEIR CHILDREN ARE ASKED TO ATTEND THE NEXT MEETING - MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER AT 7PM\*\***

**REFLECTION**

**DISCOVERING ONE'S OWN RICHES**

I lived on the shady side of the road and watched my neighbours' gardens, across the way, revelling in the sunshine.

I felt I was poor, and from door to door went in my hunger.

The more they gave me from their careless abundance the more I became aware of my beggar's bowl.

Till, one morning I awoke from my sleep at the sudden opening of my door, and you came and asked for alms.

In despair, I broke open the lid of my chest, and was startled into finding my own wealth.

**\*\*Mass Attendance (21.07.2024)**

**60@5.30pm (Vigil) / 87@10am / 68@12noon / 59@6pm / TOTAL 274**