

25th July 2021

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Introduction to the Mass

During these next few Sundays, the liturgy offers us a reflection on the Bread of Life from the Gospel of John. The Lord sees his people who hunger for something deeper in their lives. He gives them to eat out of the abundance of His love.

Through the Word and Sacrament that we celebrate today we are nourished beyond our expectations. May this give us strength to live as disciples of Jesus and to witness to His name by our words and our deeds.

First Reading - 2 Kgs 4:42-44

This text prefigures the story will hear in the Gospel. Through the multiplication of the bread, we see the immense generosity and love of God. This great sign, though, only comes about because Elisha, a man of God, trusts in the goodness of God.

Second Reading – Eph 4:1-6

Languishing in prison, Paul reminds his brothers and sisters that their communion of faith together is nourished by the presence of the Spirit of God which forms them into one body, united by one Lord, with one faith and one baptism.

Gospel – Jn 6:1-15

The link with the first reading is evident. It is the young lad who provides the raw material of five barley loaves and two fish so that Jesus can perform the sign that feeds the people as much as they wanted. The baskets with the remaining leftovers remind us that the Church will always be nourished by the Lord beyond its wants and needs.



Parish Notices

COVID Changes from 19th July

From Monday 19th July all of Scotland will move to Level 0. Changes for Churches will be:

- 2m distance will be reduced to 1m
- Congregational singing can take place (albeit only from behind masks)
- Attendance at weddings & funeral will increase to 200 provided the church can maintain 1m social distancing.
- Signing In – name and contact number will continue

Feast of St. Peter Julian Eymard

There will be a Novena starting on 24th July and there are cards for Prayer Petitions, which will remain on the alter throughout the Novena.

St Joseph's Adoration Oratory

St Joseph's Adoration Oratory in the Chapel House is open for prayer each day between 8am and 8pm daily.

Parish Mobile Phone Number

The new Parish mobile number is – 07871643357

Video Streaming of the Masses

Masses are being streamed live to our YouTube channel.

You are able to watch by: -

- Going to our website at www.stcolumbarc.co.uk and click on the hyperlink.
- Go to the YouTube website and searching for St Columba, Hopehill Rd, Glasgow
- Enter www.youtube.com/channel/UCL74MjIWsjgsqRJNbFqjyXg in your browser

We are having difficulty in sound and vision synchronisation. Please bear with us.

Gift Aid Scheme

This Scheme is specifically for those who pay tax. This allows us to claim an extra 25p in the £ which greatly helps towards the income for the Parish.

If you do pay tax, please consider signing up for the Gift Aid envelopes.

All that is required is your name and address and your signature. If you are already a member, can you please see Sr Eileen for your envelopes or a form to sign up.

If you have been a member and no longer pay tax, could you also see Sr Eileen for your name to be removed from the list. Again, I emphasise that this scheme is for tax payers only.

Readers

If you are already a Reader, could you please see Martina Dick to enable a more up to date listing so that a new rota for Masses can be compiled.

Ministers of Holy Communion

If you have already been commissioned could you please see Fr Peter and Sr Eileen so that there is a record and list can be compiled.

Those who wish to be participate in either of these ministries please see Fr Peter.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

Sick: Dennis McLaughlin, Margaret Mills, May Chalmers, Francis Burns.

RIP: Isobel Flannery, Louis Sinyantoo, Margaret Buchanan, Mrs Smith
Frances Rooney, Anne Irvine

Anniversary: James Dowling, Tess Lenighan, Mary Bright, Frank Adams

Special Intentions: Blessing for New Home,
Martina Dick, Flanagan Family, Fitzgerald Family, and The Parish.

Birthday Mass: John Kierney.

Novena Begins 24th July
St Peter Julian's Feast Day – 2nd August

A Prayer to

SAINT PETER JULIAN EYMARD

To ask for
His Heavenly Intercession

O St Peter Julian
By your great faith in
The Blessed Sacrament
Pray for me

You can now thank Jesus in Heaven
For the many Favours people obtained
By following your advice and having recourse
To the Blessed Sacrament

Pray to our Lord for me
And ask Him to grant me
The particular favour I should like to receive
(**mention your petition**)

Ask Him especially
To give me a greater faith
In the power of the Blessed Sacrament
And a greater reverence in His Presence

So that I may obtain
All that I need from Him
And after my death thank Him with you
In Heaven for all eternity

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