# 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Introduction to the Mass

This year we have been reading the gospel of Mark each Sunday. Today we come to its centre: Mark built his whole story around the moment of declaration by the disciples about who they believed Jesus really is: 'You are the Christ!' Once the disciples had recognised his full identity, they were ready to be presented with the demands of being disciples, people who had chosen to follow his way.

Today, this Gospel presents us with the same challenge. By assembling here we are declaring our belief in the identity of Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the Father. But having declared that faith, we now have to face the challenge of following his way. This way is the way of renouncing self, of taking up our crosses, and of being prepare to see in his way a radically different way of living.

### First Reading Isa 50:5-9

The prophet announces that 'the Anointed One of God' – the one we refer to using a Greek term: 'the Christ' - will suffer as a result of seeking to do the Father's will.

#### Second Reading Jas 2:14-18

Faith is not about warm feeling and good intentions: if we are disciples of the Christ, then we must be taking care of the needy, the poor, those who are suffering. Belief without action is dead.

#### Gospel Mk 8:27-35

This Gospel poses to all who declare that Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One, the challenge that we must not simply believe, but embark on the way of discipleship.

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#### **Parish Notices**

#### **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 then click on the "button".
- Go to the YouTube website and search for St Columba, Hopehill Rd, Glasgow
- Enter www.voutube.com/channel/UCL74MjlWsjgsqRJNbFqjyXg in your browser

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

#### **Parish Facebook Page**

We have created a new Parish Facebook page, like and follow @stcolumbasRCglasgow We are also working also to merge the old page and the new page.

### **SPRED Open Evenings**

Are you looking for a chance to grow in faith? Make new friends? Could you help someone else to do the same?

SPRED (Special Religious Development) is the organisation that supports parishes to welcome their members who have a learning disability and supports people who have a learning disability to play a full part in the life of the Church.

We work in small friendly groups across the Archdiocese. Each volunteer is matched with a person who needs SPRED's support (a friend). Together we grow in faith and take part in parish life. Would you like to find out more? Could SPRED help someone you know?

Come to one of our open evenings this September. Meet other volunteers. Ask questions. Share a cup of tea.

- St. Ninian's, Knightswood, Wednesday 15th
- Our Lady & St. George, Penilee, Tuesday 21st
- St. Andrew's Bearsden, Wednesday 22nd

You don't need to be a parishioner of these parishes to come along. We have vacancies for volunteers throughout Glasgow.

Email us at glasgow.spred@btconnect.com or phone us on 0141 770 5055 to tell us you are coming or to make another arrangement.

### The Cistercian's Nunraw Abbey Guest House

The Cistercian's Nunraw Abbey Guest House will re-open to guest on the afternoon of Friday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2021. Booking can be made by: Email – <u>guesthouse@nunrawabbey.com</u> or Telephone – 01620 670096 between the hours of 10am and 11.30am or 2.30pm and 4.30pm. We look forward to welcoming you back to Nunraw.

We hope to re-open the Church, Tea Room and Abbey Shop before the end of August 2021

#### YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

Sick: Denis McLaughlin, Jean Brown, Janet & John Fox & Family

RIP: Mary McGowan, Moira Brown.

**Anniversary:** Patrick Blair, Jane Blair, Agnes & Frank McMenamin, Catherine Borthwick, James Collins, Jane, Jean, Thomas and Martin Donnelly.

**Special Intentions:** Helen & Ray, Ian.



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### **Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament**

Very Rev Peter Dowling SSS Fr Darren Maslen SSS Bro Gerard Kinder SSS

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### **Mass times:**

Monday to Friday Masses 10am & 12.30pm

Saturday - 10am Vigil - 4pm Sunday - 8:30am, 10am, 12pm & 5pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 10:30am-12.30pm Except Tuesday when the Chapel is cleaned.

Confession: Tuesday & Thursday 12 noon Saturday: 9.30am & 3.30pm Or any time on request.

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# St Columba's Church

# **Newsletter**

# 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



12<sup>th</sup> September 2021 St Columba's, Glasgow

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