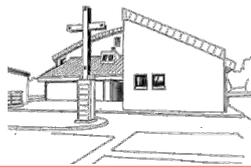




# St. Mary's Duntocher

# St. Joseph's Faifley



**Trinity SundayB**  
30<sup>th</sup> May 2021

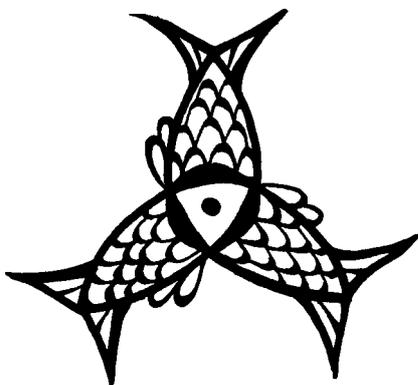
### This week the Church celebrates

Monday	Visitation of Mary
Tuesday	Saint Justin
Thursday	Saint Charles Lwanga
Saturday	Saint Boniface



### Work in St. Mary's Church

Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances, work will now start to the Church on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June. The Building Fund has now reached the target of £40,000 for this first phase of the work. However, we still need to keep going so that the Church can be painted. There is an initial estimate of £15,000. Hopefully, in time, it would be good to have the floor polished.



Feast of the Trinity

## Masses

St Mary's	5pm Vigil	10am
St Joseph's	4pm Vigil	Noon



**Weekday Mass in Saint Mary's**  
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday at 9.30am  
(Max 50) (No booking required)

1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	<b>Deuteronomy 4.32-34,39-40</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	<b>Romans 8.14-17</b>
Gospel Reading	<b>Matthew 28.16-20</b>

**Livestream** will return as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience!

*Plan ahead: Make Mass Make Sense*

Next Sunday: **Body & Blood of Christ B**

1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	<b>Exodus 24.3-8</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	<b>Hebrews 9.11-15</b>
Gospel Reading	<b>Mark 14.12-16,22-26</b>



### All the time stuff

♦ Gift Aid/Collection paid into a bank  
St Vincent de Paul Contact ☎ 07432 879831  
Bulletin notices & names to arrive by Thursday  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: St. Mary's for the Building Fund

<b>Parish Priest</b>	<b>Rev. Paul Milarvie</b>
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**SORRY, BUT NOT FOR A WHILE**  
Children's Liturgy Clubs Hall activities and catering

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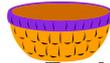
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## The Bottom Line

There are no Gift Aid envelopes this year

Thank you for your generosity:



St Mary	Gift Aid	Collectio	Donation	Total
1st	£10	£325		£335
April	Banked♦			£0
2nd*	£0	£350	£200	£550
April	Banked♦			£0
St Joseph		To be ann ounced		£0
April	Banked♦			£0

To support us and reduce cash handling by our volunteers, you can pay through your bank to:

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**St Mary's Parish** Account 00253583

**St Mary's Building** Account 00254571

**St Joseph's Parish** Account 00253591

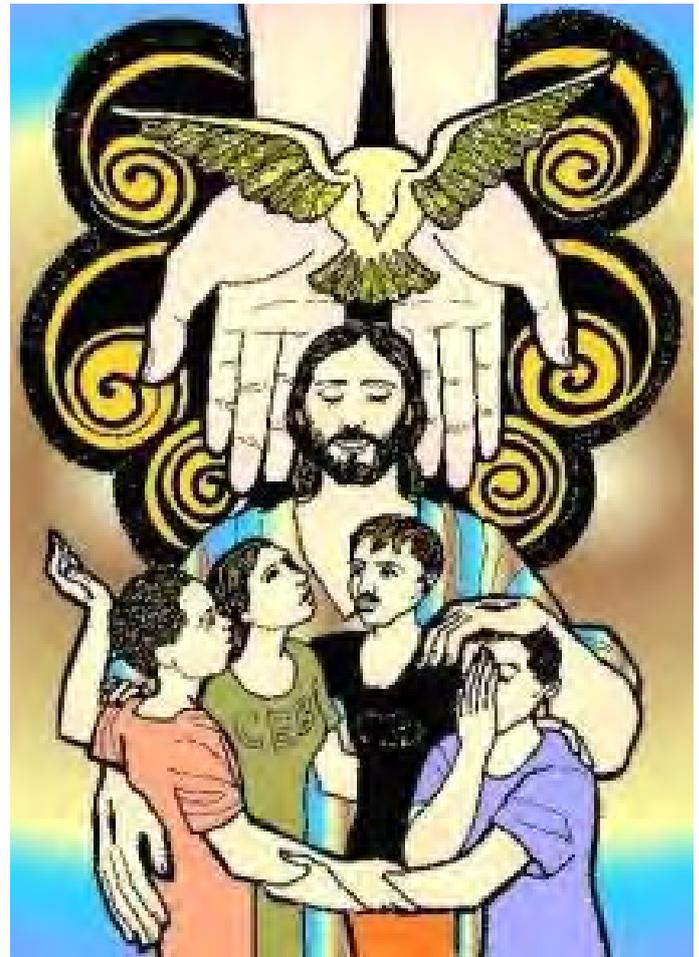
If you can help with Gift Aid, we'll take care of that, though we might just need to give you one call.

Of course, if you do home banking, that works just as well... and more comfortably

### Donations

Thanks to all those put donations through the door of the presbytery. It would be a great help if you could put on the envelope what the donation is for.

*Parish overheads continue even during a period such as this.*



Please pray for...

**those who have died recently:**

Marion de Marco; Geraldine Kelly

**and on the anniversaries of:** Tommy Shields;

Bertie, Maurice & William Friel; Susan McBride;

Mary McGrory; James McFarlane; Alex Stewart;

James Hassan; Catherine Penman; Annie Mullen;

Pat Docherty; Robert Taylor & Agnes McConville

*Please email any names that you wish to be added to the bulletin*



### Funerals in St. Mary's

**Marion De Marco, RIP:** Saturday

**Geraldine Kelly, RIP:** Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> June

### Justice and Peace Scotland

"Fight for the common good, serve the poor, be protagonists of the revolution of charity and service." (Christus Vivit, paragraph 174)

### Pope Francis said on twitter

When we pray, we need to be humble, so that our words are actually prayers and not just idle talk that God rejects.

## Reflection for Trinity Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> May 2021

The bank holiday weekend, this year, would appear to bring us mixed blessings which would seem not to satisfy many of us. You can do this, but you cannot do that. I cannot travel far but I can socialise outdoors if the weather is reasonable. As the city of Glasgow continues to be held in Level 3 for the moment due to the restrictions, we are all beginning to wonder when will it ever end? Sadly, that is not a question that many of us will be able to answer. It is an ongoing step into the unknown. The securities and certainties of certain structures or networks can no longer be guaranteed. We have entered a time in history that can be best described as “the time of the great unknown” because nothing from history has been able to prepare us for these events. It will always remain partly a mystery, which the human mind and heart will struggle to find appropriate answers to let alone ask suitable questions.

As the Church celebrates the Feast of the Most Blessed Trinity, we find ourselves in very similar shoes as people of faith. We will never get to the bottom of our understanding of the Trinity, but we also know that we believe in it in terms of our faith. We make the sign of the cross, often without thinking and we can reflect on the mission statement at the end of St. Matthew’s Gospel. Both remind us of the Trinity. It is often described as a perfect communion of love. However, for ourselves, we often think about our own imperfect communions and relationship which may have suffered from a tough or a broken love. Neither of these provide us with easy answers. However, as people of faith, they point us in the right direction. As we gaze into the future and wonder what it might hold for each of us, we should be reminded that the roots of our Christian faith find their consolation in the Blessed Trinity. As we continue to face restrictions throughout the country due to the pandemic, albeit in a reduced way, perhaps these words from Fr. Ivano Millico might offer us the opportunity to reflect on our life, our faith and on the Triune God.

“Before bringing forth words, a prophet bears a vision: God in history. The office of a prophet is to discern the presence and the action of God in the often opaque and painful history of a people, and makes its interpretation resound. “Son of Man, what do you see?”; with this question God formed and reared prophets, a different breed from previous seers or visionaries. This is still true today. What do you see in the midst of our time? A problem to be solved? A suffering to alleviate? A plague to be eradicated? What prophets are able to see are not the mere events surrounding a people, but their meaning and therefore a concrete way to interpret history and meet God inside it.

Addressing his priests as Bishop of Rome, Pope Francis called them “to announce and prophesy the future, like sentinels announcing the dawn that brings a new day”. This “new day”, our future, the so-called New Normal – the pope warned in his letter- will either be something new, or it will be something much worse than before. The future of humanity is something the Lord Jesus us calling the Church, both priest and people, to build up with the eyes of faith: faith in the suffering, death and resurrection of Christ. We call this the Paschal Mystery: the descent of Jesus into darkness, the underworld, his death, his rising, his victory and the gift of his life-giving Spirit. The Paschal Mystery is the only historical event which has happened, and which is still happening, whose proclamation can heal the world and change the interpretation of history. To see this event is to see the “V-shaped curve” so much longed for during the pandemic.

Pope Francis has also warned against many temptations typical of this time: grumbling over the difficulties we face, trying to resolve them only with substantive or palliative activities, waiting for everything to return to normal, ignoring the deep wounds around us, a paralyzing nostalgia for the recent past that makes us say “nothing will ever be the same again”, the imbedded logic of repetition or preservation.”