

**St Joseph and St Patrick's
Wemyss Bay**
27th Sunday of the Year 8 October 2023
Weekend Masses
Vigil 5pm Sunday 10am 5pm

Fr Berry will be away this weekend. There will be no weekday Mass or Exposition. Eucharistic Services will take place, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. These will not be live streamed.

Masses next weekend as normal.

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Please remember Fr Berry, and those taking the retreat, in your prayers this weekend.

We welcome Fr Maguiness who is celebrating all our Masses this weekend.

Please remember in your prayers:

Sick:, Grace McLare, Tony Doran, Philip McLaughlin, Paula Clark, Paul Kearney, Derek Fraser, Bernard Hampson, Elizabeth Carey, Miriam Slaven, Sophie Bevan, Marie Stevenson, Lisa Reidy, Pauline Gurney, Moira Kirwan and Fr Eamonn Flynn

Recently died

Anniversaries: Bishop John Mone, Roddy McNelis

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Diocesan Fund Raising

We welcome Rev Deacon John Morrison this weekend who will give us an insight into the new Diocesan fund raising proposals and the reasons behind them. Information packs will be available after Mass.

A Service of Loss and Renewal

Throughout life we all experience loss in one way or another. Join us as we come together to reflect and find healing in God's Word.

Sunday 8th October 3pm Skelmorlie and Wemyss Bay Parish Church.

All welcome.

Race night on Friday 27th October

There are envelopes with slips enclosed for horse sponsorship at the back of the Church - please pick one up as you leave and return them in the coming fortnight. **Horses are £5.** Tickets are also on sale for £5. We're also looking for **2 race sponsors at a cost of £25 plus a bottle,** please get in touch if you can help in any way. Thank you for your continued support.

Liturgical Word of the Week

Invitation to Communion - Since the new translation of the Mass has come into use, the **Invitation to Communion** prayer has changed from "*Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.*" to "*Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.*" This is taken from scripture (Luke 7:6-7) and echoes the words of the centurion, shifting the emphasis to it being God's will and not ours and that we are called to surrender ourselves to God.

Glasgow Torchlight Procession to mark 56th Anniversary of the Abortion Act

Please join the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children in Glasgow on **Thursday 26 October** for the annual torchlight procession to commemorate 56 years since the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act, which has led to the loss of more than 10 million lives here in the UK. This is a solemn and prayerful event to pray for an end to abortion.

Thursday 26 October - Glasgow

6:30 pm – Rosary in George Square

7:00 pm – Begin procession to St. Andrew's Cathedral

7:30 pm – Mass in St. Andrew's Cathedral

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The Synod In Rome

Bishop John has asked us to pray for the success of the Synod and asked us to say the traditional prayer used before each session on Vatican 2.

PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen.

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Fr Berry's Philosophical Corner

Who is the meteorologist's favourite relative? His anti-cyclone.

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Dear St Joseph, Guardian of The Holy Family, watch over our Parish

St Patrick, pray for us.