

St Joseph and St Patrick's Wemyss Bay
5th Sunday of the Year
4th February 2024

Weekend Masses Vigil 5pm Sunday 10am 5pm Confession Saturday 4.30pm

Weekdays Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday Exposition 9.30am -9.50am

Sunday 10am and Weekday Masses online.

Parish YouTube channel at <https://bit.ly/stjstp>

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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, Lisa Reidy, Peter McNally, Pauline Gurney, Pat McCabe, Anne McAlonan, Judy Gilmour, Michael Martin and Billy McFayden

Recently died: Rena Currie, Kelly Remillard, Maureen Collins, Thomas Harkness, Alex Robertson
Matthew Hughes

Anniversaries: Joseph Dow, George Fyfe, Edda & Ersilio Varese

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The Inverclyde Across to Lourdes Group will be travelling by Jumbulance to Lourdes this year **from 29th August till 7th September 2024.**

They will leave from St John's Hall Port Glasgow and travel overland.

An Across group consists of Nurses, Helpers, Young Helpers (U25) ,and Sick Persons .

The *maximum* fare will be £1095

Anyone wishing to travel it is important to please come along to a meeting in St John's Hall Port Glasgow on **Wednesday 14th February at 6pm.**

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Joint Diploma in Integral Ecology

An Online Course in English, Promoted by the Bishops' Conference

The Course will be handled by an international faculty of renowned academics, leaders and activists in the area of creation care, drawn from the Pontifical Universities and Atheneums in Rome and from around the world. The course runs from now till the end of June.

For more information jdei.english@unigre.it

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SPRED – Special 2nd Collection - Sunday, 11thFebruary 2024 (Vigils Sat, 10th Feb):

This collection, on the Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes, will help fund the great work that SPRED do for our parishioners with special needs, helping them understand and celebrate their faith. THANK YOU, in anticipation, for your financial support.

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50-50 Club Draw

The 50-50 club draw will take place in the hall after Sunday10am Mass.

Teas and coffees will be available as usual.

All welcome.

Liturgical Word of the Week

The fourth of the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit is **Counsel**. Counsel is good advice. It is the ability to teach and inform, guide and direct, warn and admonish, recommend and encourage. Counsel is not only the ability to give good advice, but to receive it as well. It allows an individual to be directed by God in matters necessary for his or her salvation.

40 Days for Life: Ash Wednesday 14th February 2024 until Palm Sunday 24th March 2024. What are you going to do for Lent? Please consider joining our 40 Days for Life Peaceful Prayer and Fasting Vigil outside of the grounds of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital in Govan Glasgow. Our Vigil takes place from 8am until 8pm each day from Ash Wednesday 14th February 2024 until 8pm on Palm Sunday evening. According to WORLDOMETER / ABORTION 44.6 MILLION babies were aborted globally in 2023. For information email: Ogilvie1615@ outlook.com

Young Adults' Pilgrimage: The diocesan Young Adults office hopes to arrange a pilgrimage to Poland from 5-12 August 2024 for those aged 18-35 years old. We will stay in Krakow with visits to the St John Paul II Centre, Divine Mercy Sanctuary, Salt Mine Museum, Auschwitz-Birkenau Museum and the Czestochowa Sanctuary. Flights from/to Edinburgh. Estimated cost: £600-800pp. To book, please attend a meeting on Sun 25th Feb at 4pm in the diocesan offices. For more info, contact Fr Ryan Black (ryan.black@rcdop.org.uk) or Fr Joe McGill (joe.mcgill@rcdop.org.uk).

Christian in Scotland Today Survey:

Logos Scotland has launched an online national survey on the experience of being a Christian in Scotland today and your experience of Christian faith in public life. It takes a few minutes to complete. Your answers will be confidential. To take the survey, visit <https://www.rcdop.org.uk/news/christian-in-scotland-today-survey>



Valentine's Day

Thinking of having a romantic dinner on Valentine's Day?
Just remember it's Ash Wednesday!!!!



Fr Berry's Philosophical Corner

When one door closes and another door opens, you are probably in prison.

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Please do contact them if you have any concerns.

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Dear St Joseph, Guardian of The Holy Family, watch over our Parish St Patrick, pray for us