



**Our Lady of The Isles Pray for Us**

**Rosary in the Church Tuesday 7pm**

**St Joseph and St Patrick's Wemyss Bay**

**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter 21<sup>st</sup> May 2023**

*Weekend Masses Vigil Saturday 5pm Sunday 10am & 5pm*

*Weekdays Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10am.*

*Exposition 9.30am -9.50am Confession Saturday 4.30pm*

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

**Please remember in your prayers:**

**Sick:**, Grace McLare, Tony Doran, Philip McLaughlin, Pat Locke, Paula Clark, Paul Kearney, Derek Fraser, Bernard Hampson, Elizabeth Carey, Miriam Slaven, Ella Lambert, Sophie Bevan, and Marie Stevenson and Frank Dunlop.

**Recently died:** Mimo Brisci, Gerry Watt, Gordon Forrest, May Ferguson, Arthur Sambucci and Fr. Harry Parkinson

**Anniversaries:** Peggy and Colin MacInnes and Mary McGarry

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Our Lady of The Isles</b></p> <p><i>Our Lady of the Isles is a sculpture of the Madonna and Child, on South Uist in the Outer Hebrides.</i></p> <p><i>It was commissioned shortly after the Ministry of Defence proposed a missile testing range be constructed. This caused concern it would destroy much of the island's way of life, culture and language. Resistance to the proposals was led by Canon John Morrison, the local parish priest.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tuesday 7pm</b></p> <p>The Rosary will be recited every Tuesday during May at 7pm in the Church.</p> <p><b>The Rosary will now be online so people can join in from home.</b></p> <p><a href="https://bit.ly/stjstp">https://bit.ly/stjstp</a>.</p>
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**First Communions**

The final group of St Ninian pupils made their first communion Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>

Please remember the children and their families in your prayers

**Special Collection - Communications - 21<sup>st</sup> May 2023**

This collection pays for our national Scottish Catholic Media Office which provides a service to the press and media with information on the activities of the Church in Scotland. **The office supports two employees.**

**Father Ryan Black** is now the Vicar Episcopal of Communications for the Diocese and the Communications Commission will take responsibility for collating and disseminating notices for bulletins and diocesan social media.

### Liturgical Word of the Week

**Liturgy of the Eucharist** - The Eucharistic Prayer is the heart of the **Liturgy of the Eucharist**. The Eucharistic Prayers make clear that these prayers are offered, not to Christ, but to the Father. It is worship offered to the Father by Christ as it was at the moment of his passion, death and resurrection, but now it is offered through the priest acting in the person of Christ.

#### Garden Party 11<sup>th</sup> June

All systems go for the Parish Garden Party on 11th June. Here's how you can help.

**You can donate in 3 ways** - the bottle stall, our raffle and home baking. Bottle stall and raffle prizes can be left on the window ledge in the porch at the back of the Church. Home baking should be handed in on Saturday, 10th June.

**Tickets will be on sale at the end of Mass. Priced at £3 for adults, this includes your tea or coffee and cake.**

**The silent auction** is now open and you can write your bid on the form at the back of the Church.

**The prize is for 3 people to join a member for a round plus lunch at Largs Golf Club** and is valued at £220. Place your bid for this wonderful prize.

#### Foodbank

You may have seen the article in the Greenock Telegraph about the foodbank where we send all our donations.

In the last six months donations are down by 42% and demand has risen by over a third.

The donations from the parish have been very steady and have probably increased slightly over that time and thank you for that. Since January the parish has donated 429 Kgs, heading for half a ton.

There is a new site **Donation Genie** which when you put in the postcode shows what the local foodbank requires and doesn't really require.

Just now they have plenty, pasta, beans and cereals but need tinned foods, UHT milk and shampoo.

#### Diocesan Young Adults (18-35)

Our series of talks, *In God's Image: A Defence of Catholic Moral Teaching*, continues on **Wed 31<sup>st</sup> May**. In the next talk, *The Lord Gave, and the Lord Has Taken Away*, Dr Joseph Bradley will discuss euthanasia. Please arrive at the diocesan office before 7pm. The talk will be followed by an opportunity to socialise over drinks in a local bar. Details of future talks in the series can be found on Facebook.

#### Fr Berry's Philosophical Corner

Our computers went down at the office today, so we had to do everything manually. It took me fifteen minutes to shuffle the cards for Solitaire.

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

**St Patrick, pray for us.**