

Liturgical Word of the Week

Collect - The word **collect** comes from the Latin phrase *ecclesia collecta*, which means that it is a public prayer, prayed by and for the assembled church. The **collect** invites people to pray in silence for a moment, and then the priest offers a prayer to God that is drawn from the readings or feast of the day, or the purpose for which the Mass is being offered.

Parish Finance Committee

The committee had a meeting this week. Topics included the Parish Accounts, the fabric of the infrastructure including Church, hall and house, future work required on the stonework of the church and possible fund raising. A dedicated group to oversee the maintenance of the fabric would be very helpful.

Sea Sunday - 9th July 2023

Sea Sunday will be on 9 July this year. It is when you are asked to encourage prayer and financial contributions to support the work of Stella Maris, the official maritime charity of the Catholic Church. This second collection is vital for the future of Stella Maris and its support of seafarers and fishers in the UK and around the world.

University of Glasgow Research

The University of Glasgow are looking for and active or retired catholic teachers who qualified after 1965 to participate in their research. This involves a 60 min - 90 min online or in person interview. For more information, please contact Natalie Finnigan at:

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Pope's Prayer Intention for July

Pope Francis urges everyone to pray for the elderly, so that they may be "teachers of tenderness".

The Parish Prayer Circle will pray for your intentions.
Forms available at the back of the Church.

Fr Berry's Philosophical Corner

Why did the teacher jump into the pool?
He wanted to test the water.

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

St Patrick, pray for us.