

**St Joseph and St Patrick's Wemyss Bay
29th Sunday Year A 22nd October 2023**

Weekend Masses Vigil 5pm Sunday 10am & 5pm

Weekday Masses Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10am

Exposition 9.30am – 9.50am Confessions Saturday 4.30pm

Sunday 10am and weekday Masses on line. 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, Marie Stevenson, Lisa Reidy, Pauline Gurney, Moira Kirwan and Fr Eamonn Flynn

Recently died: Kathleen Gormley, John Craynor

Anniversaries: Betty Murray
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Special Collection this week for Missio Scotland

Our chance to support the Missions

This year's Theme, "Hearts on fire, feet on the move"

Taken from the story of the disciples of Emmaus, Luke Ch 24 v 13-35
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Race Night 27th October



Race Night this week 7.30 in the hall.

The sponsors are in place, the horses are champing at the bit.

Limited number of tickets left for the "Royal Enclosure".

Only £5 including a little supper. On sale after each Mass.

The only race meeting where the bookie doesn't win – the parish does!!
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November 5th after Sunday 10am Mass – A Double Header

The Parish Pastoral Council AGM will be held in the hall after the 10am Mass.

The first draw for the 200 club will also take place just before the meeting

The 200 club membership is going well with 144 members at the last count.

Please come along, see if you've won, and find out how the Parish is thriving.
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*Looking for help with a particular issue, remember the prayer circle is here to help.
Just pop your intention into the box in the porch and it will be included.*

The Liturgical Word of the Week

The Beatitudes: In the next few weeks we will focus on the Beatitudes – the eight states of blessedness proclaimed by Christ in the Sermon on the Mount. The first of these is 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven'. Poverty of spirit enables us not only to use the goods of this world such as riches or honours in moderation, but to be willing to surrender all of them for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Threat to Religious Freedom: The Abortion Services (Safe Access Zones) Bill, tabled by Gillian MacKay MSP, will soon be debated in Holyrood. This Bill will introduce so-called buffer zones around abortion clinics. It bans prayer in certain areas – a massive attack on religious freedom – and removes a lifeline for women who want to keep their babies but feel they have no other choice than abortion. Please contact your Members of the Scottish Parliament to make your views known. **To enable people to contact all eight of their MSPs at once, SPUC has created an easy-to-use webtool, which can be found here:**

<https://www.spuc.org.uk/nobufferzonesScotland>. Entering your postcode brings up who your MSPs are, together with an editable email template. You can then edit the email template and submit the email to all eight of your MSPs.

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Glasgow Torchlight Procession: 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.

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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Thank you for the continued donations to the Foodbank

Fr Berry's Philosophical Corner

I put a bet on a horse to come in at 10 to 1 – and it did!
Unfortunately all the others came in at 12.30.

Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinators

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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.

Tea and Coffee in the hall after Sunday 10am Mass