

**St Roch's Parish Bulletin**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter- C 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> May 2022.**

Welcome to our Parish: if you visiting or a new parishioner, you can  
speak to the Priest at the end of Mass.

**Sunday Mass: Vigil Sat: 5.30 pm; Sun: 9.am & 11.4 5 am.**

**Weekday Masses: Monday-Friday 10am.**

**Confessions: Sat. 5.10-5.20pm.**

**Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 9.45 – 9.55am.**

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## LITURGY OF THE WORD

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 13:14. 43-52**

**Response:            We are his people, the sheep of his flock**

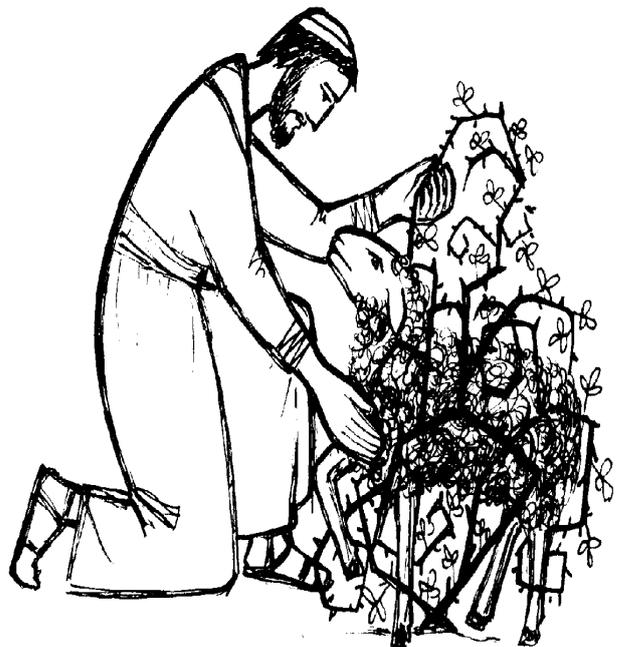
**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Book of Apocalypse 7:9. 14-17**

**Acclamation :            Alléluia, alléluia, alléluia !**  
**I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;**  
**I know my own sheep and my own know me.**  
**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

### St. John 10:27-30

**‘The sheep that belong to me  
listen to my voice; I know them  
and they follow me. I give them  
eternal life; they will never be  
lost, and no one will ever steal  
them from me.**

**The Father who gave them to me  
is greater than anyone, and no  
one can steal from the Father.  
The Father and I are one.’**



**Recently Dead: George Gillespie, Joe McFarlane, Cecilla Kelly, Hugh Reilly, Jackie Browning, Canon Michael Walsh, Canon Willie Dunnachie.**

**Anniversary: Rose Doherty, Mballa Claube Leocadie (Celeo).**

**Forty Hours Adoration: St. Patrick's Dumbarton.**

**Feast Days: Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Our Lady of Fatima, Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> St. Matthias**

**If you wish to have your child Christened please speak to the Priest.**

**Church Opening**

**Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Recitation of the Holy Rosary from 9am. Mass 10am.**

**We encourage prayerful silence as come into the church**

**Last Week's Collections:**

**Thanks for: 1<sup>st</sup> £479.96      Gift Aid: £ 209**

**Ecclesiastical Students: £231.21**

**Parish Dance: £315**

**Mass Attendance last week: 176**

**Collection Basket at the back of the Church**

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**Church please contact the Parish Priest. 0141 552 2945**

**Legion of Mary: Meetings have resume Tuesday evenings. Meetings are held in the Conference Room in the Chapel House, commencing at 7pm. New members welcome.**

### Dates to Remember

29.5.22	Second Collection for Communications
05.6.22	Second Collection for Day for Life/ Pro-Life
05.6.22	African/Nigerian Mass 1pm
07.6.22	7pm. Confirmation
26.6.22	Peter's Pence
09&10.7.22	Mary's Meals appeals
26.5.22	Feast of the Ascension Holy Day of Obligation
29.6.22	Feast of St. Peter & Paul Holy Day of Obligation
21.7.22	Assisted Parishes

**Donation/collection:** you are welcome to make a donation/collection to the parish fund by clicking the link, (thanks for your support).

[https://www.mygivinghub.com/detailed/donate?charity\\_id=1086401](https://www.mygivinghub.com/detailed/donate?charity_id=1086401)

**Please note:** The hall is not available for night events hire (except for parish events) till further notice.

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**Sunday Obligation:** Please note that the obligation for Catholics to celebrate Sunday as a Holy Day by gathering together for Mass has been restored.

**First Communion's** will take place on Saturday Morning at 11am.

Some families have asked why the limitation on the number (4) of those to accompany the First Communicants to the church. Below is the guide for my decision-:

The Government have now revoked the other measures which were still applicable in churches and halls. This means that we can now fully undertake all the activities that previously occurred in parishes, but we need to do so mindful of the

need to help people feel safe and to let those with higher risks feel comfortable in our parishes. This is not just going back to the way things were done before, but finding the ways to do them safely in our new circumstances. Everything can be done that we would have done before, just not always in the same ways. There are no special legal requirements that we need to comply with (except masks) but we always have the legal, and moral, duty to run our parish activities in a healthy and safe way.

The Bishops have asked us to keep observing the following principles in all that we do:

- Respect the space of fellow parishioners.
- Keep sanitising hands on entering church and before distributing Holy Communion.
- Continue to ensure good ventilation.
- Avoid crowding and encourage distancing – this is probably not a big issue at normal Masses or other liturgies, but it may require care at some funerals, First Communions, etc. There is no fixed measurement of distancing, but we should use all the space we have in church to make sure people can spread out and limit access if it is becoming too busy. Keep an eye too on the use of smaller spaces, such as cry chapels, meeting rooms, etc., to make sure that these are not crowded.

**Radioalba.org. Some programmes that may be of interest:- Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May. Morning 7am. Morning prayers, followed by Canon R. Hill.**

**12noon: Mass led by Canon David Wallace, music by St. Mungo Singers. 1pm Fr. Denis McBride comments on the Gospel, Dr. Noel Donnelly on the Psalms.**

**Congratulations to Audrey Dempsey who was elected to Glasgow City Council.**

**Greetings to Anna Shiels, Barney Hughes, Vivian Kalayor, Gemma Nicollette, who have had a birthday recently. Some of them over 80!**

**Readers needed If you wish to volunteer to read at any of the Masses in the Church please contact the Parish Priest. 0141 552 2945**



**Please fill in the Parish Synod questionnaire and return it as soon as possible. For more information see Diocesan website:- [.https://rcagsynod.org/](https://rcagsynod.org/) Diocesan Synod Questionnaire Response Form -<https://rcagsynod.org/resources-for-parishes>.**

**Dear All,**

**The legal requirement to wear face coverings in church will be lifted on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April. From Monday it will no longer be compulsory to wear face coverings in places of worship, or at weddings or funerals or commemorative events, but people (including clergy) may choose to still wear them and that choice should be respected.**

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**Please note the following points:**

- **We no longer have to do any special cleaning regime – we can return to pre-pandemic cleaning routines.**
- **The sign of peace may now be done by shaking hands, but with the understanding that some may not want to do so at this time and that no-one should feel pressured to do so. Some parishes may prefer to retain bowing or keep omitting the sign of peace.**
- **Feet can be washed on Holy Thursday.**
- **The advice is that Confessionals still not be used if they do not have good ventilation.**

**Face coverings** will remain compulsory in other settings until 18<sup>th</sup> April, so priests/deacons/lay ministers will still need to wear face coverings when visiting hospitals, schools, nursing homes, etc. as part of their pastoral ministry, and we'll all still need to wear them in shops, on buses, etc., for the next couple of weeks.

**May I take this chance to thank all the parish coordinators** for their hard work since churches reopened, and all the parish volunteers and clergy for the ongoing work of making our places of worship safe yet welcoming during this challenging time. Cleaning pews, collecting names, making sure people are wearing masks were all time-consuming and sometimes difficult tasks but so many have done it so faithfully. The Archdiocese, and your fellow parishioners, are really grateful for these efforts. May God reward you for them. (*Diocesan Coordinator*)

**40 Days for Life Lenten Prayer Vigil:** Next Sunday, Palm Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April, the 40 Days for Life Lenten Prayer Vigil outside of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital in Hardgate Road will draw to a close. The Vigil will end with its traditional Silent Candle Lit hour from 7pm till 8pm. Please consider joining the Vigil's final hour to commemorate those whose lives have been taken or affected by abortion since the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act. For information email: [Ogilvie1615@outlook.com](mailto:Ogilvie1615@outlook.com)

**Diocesan Priesthood:** Thinking about Diocesan Priesthood in 2022? The Catholic Church in Scotland is now inviting enquiries from those considering applying to seminary. For more information about our Discernment Evenings please contact

Fr. Ross Campbell (Email: [ross.campbell@rcag.org](mailto:ross.campbell@rcag.org). Phone: 0141 339 4315).

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### **QUI ME TANGIT VOCEM MEUM AUDIT**

**These words are engraved on the bell which is used to start the entrance procession for the Mass, located just beside the 8<sup>th</sup> Station of the Cross and it is translated:**

**'The one who touches me hears my voice.'**

**Prayer to St. Roch**

**O God, who promised Saint Roch by an angel,  
That all who have recourse to him should  
Have nothing to fear from illness and disease.  
Grant, we beseech you, that through his  
Intercession, we may be delivered from all dangers of soul  
And body. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen**

(Cf. St. Roch's Prayer book)

Our Father ... Hail Mary... Glory be...

**St. Michael Archangel defend us in the day of battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen**

**<https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2018/09/29/18092>**

**Faith Online**

**Download daily reflections to your PC or MP3 player from the Jesuits**

**<http://www.pray-as-you-go.org>**

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**Read/download each day's Scripture readings**

**<http://www.dailygospel.org/>**

**Sign up to receive a free daily, inspirational spiritual text message on your phone from the Salesians**

**<http://www.salesians.org.uk/dbuk/textaday.html>**

**The parish of St. Roch's is a parish of the Archdiocese of Glasgow,  
A Designated Religious Charity, Number SC018140**

**Safeguarding Statement**

**The Bishops' Conference has stated that 'the Catholic Church in Scotland is concerned with the lives, safety, wholeness and wellbeing of each individual person within God's purpose for everyone. It seeks to safeguard the welfare of**

**children, young people and vulnerable adults who are involved in whatever capacity with the Church and its organisations. As a Church community, we accept that it is the responsibility of all of us, ordained, professed, paid and voluntary members to work together to prevent the physical, sexual, emotional abuse or neglect of children, young people and vulnerable adults'. Pope Francis has asked that our families are made aware that they have every right to expect that they are safe and secure in 'Our Father's House'. As part of our commitment to Safeguarding, it is vitally important that we remember those who have been harmed or abused either by a member of the Church, members of their family or any other person. It is asked of us that we pray and care about them. In 2019, the Bishops of Scotland established an annual Day of Prayer for those who have suffered abuse and individuals and communities who are affected by abuse. This Day of Prayer is to be marked each year on the Friday following Ash Wednesday. This year the *Day of Prayer falls on the 4th of March*. This day allows the Church to renew its apology to anyone who has suffered and to stress its commitment to the essential work of safeguarding across our parish communities. In the parish of St. Roch's we will be marking this day of prayer.**

**Safeguarding in our parish is with us in all aspects of our living faith. Each year, as Parish Priest, Parish Safeguarding Coordinators and volunteers, we commit ourselves to these principles and to renewing and improving our practice. We adhere to the protocols and procedures laid out by the Bishops' Conference of Scotland in the document *In God's Image*. These procedures, and the vigilance of those involved in the life of the parish, helps us to ensure that everyone should feel safe when they come to Mass, services, groups or social events.**

**We welcome Archbishop Nolan who has demonstrated his commitment to safeguarding in Galloway Diocese and together, all of us involved in Safeguarding within the Archdiocese, are grateful for all the hard work done by all our Parish Priests, Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinators and our Parish volunteers**

#### **Safeguarding Code of Conduct for Church employees & volunteers**

**In ensuring that they comply with the Safeguarding standards of the Catholic Church in Scotland, Church employees and volunteers who interact with vulnerable groups must:**

- treat all people with respect**
- respect and protect emotional and physical boundaries**
- respect the rights of others to personal privacy**
- remember that physical contact can be misunderstood**
- meet with a child or vulnerable adult in an open and observable environment**
- remember that words and actions might be misinterpreted**

- **be confident in sharing concerns appropriately**
- **be confident in both challenging and reporting abusive behaviour**