

St Aidan's Parish Church

Mass Times

Sunday Masses Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm, Sunday 10.00 am and 12 Noon.

Holyday of Obligation Vigil 7.30pm, 10.00am and 7.30pm

Weekdays 10.00 am

Confessions After all Saturday Masses

Parish Ministers' Rota

5th September 2010

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
Vigil	B. Higgins, E. Lynn, S. Woods.	P. Devine.
10.00am	P. O'Donnell, J. Donnelly	B. Moulds, A. McCrossan.
12 Noon	M. McDowell, W. O'Neill	J. Scott.

Today's Mass

Today's 10.00am Mass will be the Mass of our parish patron St Aidan. The Vigil and 12 Noon Masses will be the Mass of the 22nd Sunday of the year.

The traditional signs of welcome among the Jews in Jesus' time included the washing of feet, the kiss of greeting and the anointing of the head with oil. Such courtesies seem to have flown out of the window at the meal recorded in today's Gospel. There the guests pushed forward for the places of honour and Jesus chided them for their bad manners. But then he opened their eyes by means of a parable so that they could see the meal as a sign of something more wonderful - the banquet of rich food which the prophets wrote of as the feast that the Lord would prepare for all peoples at the end of time.

To this heavenly meal, God will invite all who are lowly of heart and whom acknowledge their need of salvation. They will receive the invitation, "My friend, move up higher." Those who in their self-righteousness consider themselves entitled to the best places will, to their shame, have to take the lowest place.

The parable echoes the words in the first reading: "The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord...for the Lord accepts the homage of the humble."

The year of celebrations for the parish's 50th Anniversary starts today

St Aidan's Parish Bulletin

22nd Sunday Year C

29th August 2010



"Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted."

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22nd Sunday of Year C (Weekdays: Week 22 Year 2)

Tuesday 31st August St Aidan. Born in Ireland, he was a monk at Iona before he was consecrated Bishop and sent as a missionary to Northumberland. Based on Lindisfarne, he played a decisive part in the evangelisation of northern England.

Friday 2nd September St Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church. Once the chief civil magistrate of Rome, he became a monk and was the first monk to be elected Pope. He strengthened the Church's position in Europe through treaties and negotiations and sent St Augustine and 40 monks from his own monastery to as missionaries to England.

Dates for your diary:

5th September National Pilgrimage to Carfin. The National Pilgrimage takes place at Carfin next Sunday with Mass at 3.00pm and Marian procession at 4.30pm
Walking Group event.

12 September Rolls and Sausage

13th September Anniversary Committee meeting; all welcome.

26th November Joint Ceilidh

Date to be arranged Aisling Ghael Concert.

Rolls and Sausage Days

There have been many requests for the Rolls and Sausage days to be held more frequently. **This can be done if there are enough extra volunteers to help serve and clear up.** If you can help, please complete the slip at the back of the church and place it in the box provided.

Joint Ceilidh

The joint ceilidh will be held in St Aidan's hall on Friday 26th November. Bar facilities will be available. Tickets (including pie) £10.

Walking Group

The parish walking group will meet next Sunday in the church car park at 1.30pm. The walks will be in Chatelherault Country Park.

Carfin Grotto

The National Pilgrimage takes place at Carfin next Sunday with Mass at 3.00pm and Marian procession at 4.30pm

50th Anniversary

Today marks the start of our official celebrations of the parish's 50th anniversary. The organisers still need more help from parishioners. Please help wherever you can.

Thank You

Thanks to Boots, Hamilton for their generous donation of items to help with our anniversary fundraising.

New Altar Servers

Practice for any young people wanting to become Altar Servers on Tuesday 31 August at 4.30pm in the side chapel.

Please pray for:

The Recently Deceased:

Brian Daly; Len Day

Months minds and

Anniversaries:

Margery Scott; Nan Harris;

Margaret & Owen Dunn;

Ian McCole; Anna McCue; David

McManus; Patricia McKee; Linda

Mitchell; Catherine Moulds

PAPAL VISIT

BELLAHOUSTON MASS

The music for the Papal Mass at Bellahouston will be played in the church for 30 minutes before each weekday and weekend Mass. The words and music can be found at www.forthinpraise.co.uk

Copies of the words and music for the Mass and selections from the new Mass text from the revised Roman Missal are now available at the back of the Church for all those attending the Papal Mass .. The text of all of the services during the Papal Visit are also available in copies of the Magnificat booklet which is available free of charge for all parishioners.

Due to late withdrawals we have two places available for the Papal visit. Please contact John Fox on 01698 385868 if you want to attend the visit.

There will be practice sessions for those attending Bellahouston on Tuesday 31 August and Tuesday 7th September at 7.30pm in Motherwell Cathedral.

PARISH HUMOUR

Two kids were talking to each other. One says, "I'm really worried. My dad works twelve hours a day to give my family a nice home and plenty of food. My mum spends the whole day cleaning and cooking for me. I'm worried sick!" The other kid says, "What have you got to worry about? It sounds to me that you've got it made!" The first

kid replied, "But what if they tried to escape?"

Jim gets a call from his friend Joe. "I've got a problem,," says Joe. "I've just bought a new jigsaw puzzle and I can't get any of the pieces to fit and there isn't any straight edges." "What's the picture of?" asks Jim.. "It's a big rooster ," says Joe. "OK, says Jim, "I'll come over and see if I can help." When he gets to Joe's house , he is shown the puzzle on the kitchen table and says, "Joe, for Pet's sake, put the cornflakes back in the box!"

Some more school howlers:

Refrain means don't do it. A refrain in music is the part you better not try to sing.

Peat was made out of moses.

The masculine of vixen is vicar

Paraffin is the next order of angels above seraphims!

The end of the world will mark a turning point in everyone's life!

SCIAF Collection for Pakistan Flood Relief
Last week's collection came to £1,683.00. Thank you .

PARISH NOTICES

BINGO Live bingo in the hall every Sunday at 7.30pm.

STALL The stall is open in the hall after both Sunday Masses

CAFE is available in the hall after both Sunday Masses and after all weekday masses. All welcome.

MEN's CLUB meets in the hall every Thursday at 7.30pm. Men's Club monthly Mass is held on the 1st Thursday of the month, except for the months of July and August.