

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy. Daniel 3

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Remember your word to your ser<u>vant</u>, O Lord, by which you have gi<u>ven</u> me hope. This is my comfort when I <u>am</u> brought low Psalm 118.49-50



26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 28TH-29TH SEPTEMBER 2019

1st Reading: **Amos 6.4-7:** The prophet makes a devastating critique of the rich who loll about in luxury and for whom life is one big party, while the poor are ignored.

Response to the Psalm:
My soul, give praise to the
Lord.

2nd Reading: Paul's First Letter to Timothy 6.11-16: Paul uses the language of dedication and duty as he describes the sort of life Christians should lead. This commitment will bring with it a life of faith and love, of patience and gentleness, winning eternal life for the believer. A Parish of the Diocese of Motherwell. The Bishop; Rt. Rev. Joseph A. Toal www.rcdom.org.uk Scottish Charity No SCO11041

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, <u>says</u> the Lord, I know them <u>and</u> they follow me.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Luke 16.1-13: The hard hitting parable of the rich man and poor Lazarus. It warns of the sense of entitlement that wealth can bring with the ensuing cloth-eared attitude to the poor and a fundamental lack of awareness of what true life is about. The

rich man fails catastrophically to understand that the poor man Lazarus is his intermediary between this life and eternity.

Sincere thanks to all of you who took part in our Parish
Assembly. Our meeting together showed that our parish
life together enjoys unity, peace and concord, for which
we thank God. This was also beautifully shown at our
"Together in Christ" week. We will make this theme the
spiritual focus of the coming twelve months. Two practical decisions: the 11am Sunday Mass will stay at the same
time; Chic Meechan and Margaret Haddow were elected
members of the Parish Pastoral Council to replace
Maureen McKendrick and Ruth MacDonald whom I thank
for their service.. Please take a copy of the Parish Calendar
for the coming year and the sheet which gives a
"walk-through" of the refurbished church

Our Children's Liturgy has now restarted. We are looking for more volunteers to help out in this beautiful but simple ministry. For more information, please contact Roisin Rea on 07754771477.

The Ladies' Group are preparing bags for Mary's Meals and they ask that you help them with supplies. Contact Margaret Gault or any lady from the group.

Tea and coffee in the hall each Friday after Mass. Contribution will go to also to Mary's Meals.

HYMNS FOR MASS Entrance 882; Communion 892 & 795; Exit 883

Living Faith booklets are now on sale in the shop.

There will be October Devotions—Rosary and Benediction— each Wednesday of the month at 7pm The 2nd collection next week will be for the church refurbishment

Information regarding the flu clinics at St Luke's Medical Practice is on the information boards.

Pope Francis' Prayer intention for September: The Protection of the Oceans— That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

Pope Francis has declared October to be an Extraordinary Mission Month. Please pick up the Missio Scotland information pack. As you leave Mass.

The Holy Father has made the theme of the month *Baptized and Sent*. The diocese is offering four evenings of reflection on this theme in the Xavier Centre, Carfin on Thursday 3rd, 10th, 24th and 31st October 7.15–9pm. See the poster for more details

There will be an ABBA Night in the hall on 26th October, tickets £10 from the social committee. A Bingo Night has been arranged for Sunday 10th November. Tea ticket £1.50, doors open 6,30pm. **Please donate prizes.**



Michael and Estelle Webster are soon to walk another 150km of the Camino de Santiago, raising funds for the church refurbishment. If you would like to sponsor them please go to

justgiving.com, type Michael and Estelle into Search and select the photo which will take you to their webpage.

Next meeting of Lanark & District U3A is in the Clydesdale Inn Tuesday 1st October at 10.30am

Street Level is holding a coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support on Saturday 5th October from 11am-2pm.

In the lead up to the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on 4th October, Pope Francis has asked us to pray for our good earth, that all of us individually and collectively will protect and respect all of God's creation and hand it on cared for and loved to the next generation.

CHALLENGE POVERTY WEEK; Our Mini-Vinnies, now numbering 35 children, will be collecting everyday food items for our local Foodbank between Saturday 5 October and Sunday 13 October. Boxes will be available in the Church Gathering Area.

SUNDAY TAKEAWAY: What is it that causes some people to have something or someone in their line of vision and yet not really see them? And what causes others to both have someone or something in their line of vision and to really see them? What makes the difference between not really seeing and seeing? this parable is one of several in Luke that shows us that the kingdom of God shows up when and where we least expect it. We don't expect it to show up in the gap between the bearable, even pleasant, or luxurious living conditions of some and the unbearable, inhumane living conditions of others. We don't expect it to show up in the offer of the ability to see that gap and move from seeing to active compassion before it is too late. But we ought to have learned by now that the kingdom of God is not a prisoner to our expectations. *Patheos* Reflections

Please pray for our sick and housebound.

Lord our God. For you have called us to serve you and one another in love. Bless our sick and housebound today so that they may bear their illness in union with Jesus' sufferings and restore them quickly to health. Bless those who have grown old in your service and give them courage and strength in their faith. Lead us all to eternal glory. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

May God grant eternal rest to those who have recently died and whose month's mind and anniversaries occur at this time: Kathleen Mangan, Joyce McLaughlin, May Flynn, Dick Haddow, James McCarron, Frank Meehan, Margaret & Tadeusz Donnelly.



HOLY MASS: **Vigil of Sunday**: Saturday, 6pm; **Sunday**: 11am. **Monday-Friday**: 10am.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: **Saturday** 5.30–5.55pm and on request.

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