

**Marian Age Pilgrimages
Knock and Lough Derg/Donegal**

Marian Age Pilgrimages to Knock and Lough Derg/Donegal from **Monday 2 July to Friday 6 July 2018**. Cost for Knock and Lough Derg **£285.00** per person, for Knock and Donegal **£375.00** per person. See poster on notice board for full details.

Faith Summer Conference

The Faith Summer Conference on “above all things love each other” will take place from **30 July until 3 August 2018**. Book online at www.faith.org.uk or see Fr Ross for details.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions
(May)**

That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today

Feasts This Week

14 May-Fast of St Matthias

What's On This Week

Legion of Mary—Monday 6.00 to 7.30pm contact Grace (ourladyseatofwisdomglasgow@gmail.com)

Catholic Society—Tuesday 6.30 to 8.00pm in the TV room. For under graduate students. Contact Ruairidh (Ruairidh@live.co.uk). Follow us on Facebook-Glasgow University Catholic Association or Twitter-@GUCatholic

SSVP—Mondays, fortnightly, contact Lily Kearns (turnbullssvp@gmail.com)

St Teresa of Avila Prayer Group-Every Monday at 7.30pm, contact Mollie Stegaroiu (mollie_195@hotmail.com) or on facebook at St Teresa of Avila prayer Group (Turnbull Hall)

RISE—Thursday 7.30 to 8.30pm in the Chapel for Charismatic prayer and praise. Contact Anna (annapf@hotmail.co.uk)

Collections

Sunday 6 May £221.94(Gift Aid £39.00)

Last Year £310.44(Gift Aid £64.09)
Thank you for your generosity. Please consider Gift Aid—we receive back 28p on every £1.

Gift Aid forms available from Rosemary

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Masses

Sunday 9.00am and 11.30 am
6.15pm (during term)
Monday-Friday 1.05pm
Saturday 10.30am

Confessions

Monday/Wednesday /Friday 12.45pm or any time on request)
Saturday 10.00am

Rosary

Monday-Friday 12.45pm (during term)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday 1.30pm-6.30pm finishing with Benediction (during term)

13 May 7th Sunday of Easter

I suppose it's quite easy to get our heads around a loving truth, but that's not quite what the gospel talks about. Instead, we meet a love-truth. Jesus declares Himself to be the eternal truth that is eternally identical with infinite love. There's nothing indefinite or arbitrary about this love-truth. Jesus does not pray that we be united in a truth, as if we could reach any meaningful form of unity by agreeing that the earth is not flat. If there is to be eternal and perfect unity, it could only be unity in the Truth, that objective Truth that transcends all the limitations of history. Christ is the Truth that makes all things true, so He is the Truth in which all creatures can find their home, in which all truths can reach their glorification as the wounds of division and misunderstanding are healed. But precisely because this Truth is the truth that makes all things true—the Word through which the world was made—it is by no means an unreachably remote reality. The love-truth of God comes to us as a human person who can be touched and manhandled, who is no less bodily in His glorious ascension than on the cross at Calvary.

Even saying that Jesus is the divine love-truth isn't quite right. The problem is the hyphen. It suggests two distinct realities that are brought together and held in a certain tension. Hyphens serve either to separate or to artificially join otherwise distinct ideas together. In God, love and truth are perfectly identical. The hyphen is only there to help us to understand more clearly. Love and truth are two ways of speaking about the same innate perfection of God Himself, two different perspectives on God's dance of love and truth as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Yet in human creatures, who have only a limited share in God's perfection, truth and love are fractured. At first, only minimally or potentially so, owing to the distinction of the faculties of knowledge and will. From the very beginning the human person existed in the rhythm of a life received from God and offered back to Him in acts of knowledge and love. Yet the fall turns the relationship between knowledge and love into a fractious tension. Sin inserts the hyphen, and it gradually expands it.

To some extent, we are all living in the hyphen. Consequently, we don't always experience love and truth as existing in perfect harmony. Sometimes they pull us in different directions. Our knowledge of what is truly good for us can summon us to do things that

feel like they are going to break our heart. What we take as an experience of profound love can lead us to dispense ourselves from moral obligations that on one level we know are binding. The hyphen in love-truth is the gap between head and heart, a disjunction that the grace of God helps us to overcome. It's perhaps because of this fracturing that we so often operate with thinned-out versions of love and truth. Love has been reduced to passing feelings, no longer self-giving and self-diffusive, but fundamentally about satisfying our own needs. Truth is reduced to a predicate, no longer the perfection of the creature's mind as it encounters God's presence in the world, but a quality of even the most banal proposition. The hyphen is dangerous: the longer it gets, the more 'truths' can be used to oppress, and cheap 'love' manipulated into denying truth.

The grace of God helps us to overcome the hyphen in our lives, to reunite knowledge and love by being consecrated in Christ. St Paul hints that the process of growing to Christian maturity is one of learning to 'speak the truth in love' (Ephesians 4:15). The form that this unity takes in our lives is deep and authentic joy. We rejoice in truth in the communion of love by which it is found. So in kindling the flame of resurrection joy, we are continuing to chip away at the hyphen.

Fr Oliver James Keenan O.P

CATECHIST'S CORNER

That Mary was conceived without stain of original sin is an article of our faith, which was defined by Pope Pius IX in his Apostolic Constitution *Ineffabilis Deus*. God did not mean man to perish because of Adam's sin, so from the very beginning it was His plan to send a Redeemer and to prepare a worthy Mother from whom the Redeemer would be born. "From the very beginning

and before time began, the eternal Father chose and prepared for His only begotten Son a Mother in whom the Son of God would become incarnate and from whom in the blessed fullness of time, He would be born in this world." Foundation for this dogma of the Immaculate Conception can be found in Scripture. At the Annunciation the Angel Gabriel said "Hail full of grace, the Lord is with you" indicating that Our Lady was free of the taint of any sin. "She was by sheer grace conceived without sin as the most humble of creatures, the most capable of welcoming the inexpressible gift of the Almighty" (CCC722).

CHAPLAINCY NEWS

Foreign Coins

Please do not put foreign coins in the collection or in for votive candles. They cannot be banked and are disposed of in the nearest waste-paper basket.

Old Pound Coins

Please do not put old pound coins in either the collection or in the for votive candles.

Expecting a Baby? New Mother?

Come and share your story and increase your confidence in birth in a positive, supportive and confidential monthly discussion group. Contact Jackie Gillick (07704 763 560)

Mass Booklets

If you have any of the Booklets for the Easter Triduum at home, can you please return them to the Chaplaincy as they will be required again. Thank you very much.

Catholic Mothers Prayer Group

Please join us each month for a peaceful, prayerful evening and a cup of tea. Meet in the TV Room the 2nd Thursday of each

month from 8-9pm. All mums welcome! Contact Ashlee Lally, email ashlee.lally@gmail.com, for more details.

RCAG Youth

Monday **21 May** *Lection Divina* for young people at **7.00pm** in the upstairs hall with Archbishop Tartaglia.

Second Collection

There will be a second collection this Sunday for Communications.

Sunday 3 June 2018

Please note that there will be **no 6.15 Mass** on **Sunday 3 June** as there will be the Corpus Christi Procession.

Sunday Evening Mass

Please note that there will be no 6.15pm Mass on Sundays during July and August.

OTHER NEWS

Bishop Robert Barron

Will those of you who signed up to go to the talk by Bishop Robert Barron in the **Usher Hall, Edinburgh on Thursday 6 September at 7.30pm** please give your ticket money to Fr Ross as soon as possible. Tickets prices are £10.00 for adults and £6.00 for students/children. See poster on notice board for details.

Young Adult Retreat

The above retreat for those who are 18 to 40 years of age will be held in **St Mary's Retreat Centre, Kinnoull, Perth** from **29 June until 1 July**. Cost is **£150.00** (discounts available for students and the unwaged). Application forms are on the table in the foyer. See poster on notice board for details.

Stronghold - a Youth 2000 Retreat

You are all invited to Stronghold - a Youth 2000 retreat at Craig Lodge on the **1-3rd of June**. This is a retreat for young people focussed on adoration, Mass and the rosary. For more details, search for Stronghold - Youth 2000 on Facebook or visit the Youth 2000 website.

Saturday Vigil of Prayer

A vigil of prayer in preparation for the Feast of Pentecost will be held in St Columba's Church, Hopehill Road on Saturday 19 May, beginning at 3.00pm with hymns and prayers and ending at 4.30 with Holy Mass. See poster on notice board for full details.

Paul, Apostle of Christ

The UK premiere of the above film will be shown on **22 May at 7.30pm** in the VUE Cinema, Forte Shopping Centre, Easterhouse. A free bus will leave from St Andrew's Cathedral at **6.30pm**. Ticket price **£10.00** from www.eventbrite.co.uk. See poster on notice board for details.

Fatima the Ultimate Mystery

The above documentary film will be shown on **17 May at 7.30pm** in the Seamore Cinema, Community Central Hall, Maryhill Road. Tickets price **£7.00** from www.eventbrite.co.uk or from St Columba's Hopehill Road. See poster on notice board.

Gaudete et Exsultate

A presentation on Pope Francis' apostolic exhortation, Gaudete et Exsultate on the call to holiness will be given by Fr Stephen O'Reilly in Pauline Books & Media, St Enoch Square on Tuesday **15 May at 6.00pm**. See poster on notice board for details.