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### **AGAP Theatre: Actors Required**

Interested in acting in AGAP's forthcoming theatre productions? Request a call back at 0141 552 5527 or email [info@agap.org.uk](mailto:info@agap.org.uk) to arrange a relaxed no-pressure audition and discuss availability. See poster on notice board for full details.

### **Marian Action Meeting**

Due to renovation of St. Simon's cafe, the venue for the first of Marian Action's lectio-divina based meetings has been changed to Turnbull Hall, Glasgow University Catholic Chaplaincy, Southpark Terrace on Tues., 25 September at 7.00pm. These meetings are designed to study how God is directing our lives through the Gospel, and also to pray for the group's work with homeless. If interested, please call John on 07547734668, or email [marianaction@rocketmail.com](mailto:marianaction@rocketmail.com)

### **Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions (September)**

That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

### **Feasts This Week**

27/9-Memorial of St Vincent de Paul  
29/9-Feast of Sts Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

### **What's On This Week**

**Legion of Mary—Monday 6.00 to 7.30pm** contact Grace ([ourladyseatofwisdomglasgow@gmail.com](mailto:ourladyseatofwisdomglasgow@gmail.com))

**Catholic Society—Tuesday 6.00 to 8.00pm** in the TV room. For under graduate students. Contact Conor ([conorgildea288@gmail.com](mailto:conorgildea288@gmail.com) or Carter ([carterlyon@gmail.com](mailto:carterlyon@gmail.com)).

**SSVP—Mondays, fortnightly**, contact Lily Kearns ([turnbullssvp@gmail.com](mailto:turnbullssvp@gmail.com))

**RISE—Thursday 7.30 to 8.30pm** in the Chapel for praise and worship with Eucharistic Adoration. Contact Anna ([annapf@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:annapf@hotmail.co.uk))

### **Collections**

Sunday 16 September £338.40 (Gift Aid £43.20)

Last Year £463.42 (Gift Aid £76.50)

*Thank you for your generosity. Please consider Gift Aid—we receive back 28p on every £1.*

Gift Aid forms available from Rosemary

### **TURNBULL HALL UNIVERSITY CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY**

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### **Chaplain**

**Fr Ross Campbell**

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### **Chaplaincy Secretary**

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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-6.00pm finishing with  
Benediction (during term)

### **23 September 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The first reading, from the Book of Wisdom, speaks of a community of “the godless” planning to gang up on a tiresomely virtuous person who questions their standards. With whom do we identify? Presumably the writer would hope that the reader will be on the side of the virtuous person, but it might be worth imagining the process whereby we could identify with the godless by the force of cultural assimilation, of the peer pressure which doesn't operate only on schoolchildren but on any community of adults. It's shocking that groups of people should talk and behave in the way they do in this reading, but it's not altogether surprising, and to stand over against such a group requires a decision and a commitment which don't come automatically – and a conviction that there is a Power which enables a non-violent steadfastness to be meaningful and triumphant.

The same discord between the godless group and the virtuous person is seen in the Gospel passage: Jesus tells His disciples that He will be helpless (handed over to others) and murdered and will rise to life. In today's Gospel reading there seems to be no reaction except incomprehension; in Mark's gospel the disciples are at times very slow to understand what Jesus is saying and, as in this case, say nothing. In last week's Gospel at least Peter objected, showing he had listened to half of what the Master had said, though he got called Satan for his pains. In today's they simply change the subject. The godless in the Wisdom passage were at least all agreed with each other, but the disciples were in total disagreement with each other because each seems to have been consumed by irreconcilable private ambition.

So we have three contrasts – between the godless and the virtuous, between the wisdom from above and the “wisdom” of selfish ambition, and between the way of the cross and the way of – well, selfish ambition. But these are not exercises in ethics: they pose the question: “What kind of God do we encounter in the Bible?” This is not the same as asking “What is God like?” St Thomas Aquinas warns us that we can be sure THAT God exists, but we cannot say WHAT God is like: the Bible shows us a God whom we discover in unlikeness. God is not in our image, is not like the idols who have mouths but do not speak (our God does not have a mouth, but speaks the Word which is truth); God is not

our ideal Champion who defeats the opposition. Jesus shows us a God who is with the contemptible, who triumphs in the resurrection through rejection, humiliation and death. God's greatness is shown in service and humility; above all it is shown in a little child.

For Jesus children were very important: he got livid with His disciples (those poor, dim-witted disciples) when they tried to prevent children being brought to Him for Him to touch them; and in today's Gospel He takes a child and shows the disciples what it means to welcome God. Why does Jesus see little children as heirs of the kingdom, as icons of our encounter with God? We often try to work out what characteristic of children makes them suitable for their role in the Gospels, but it may be that it is precisely in the unlikeness to anything human thinking might want to say about God that makes little children a suitable icon. We began by considering how it might be possible to see ourselves succumbing to the pressure to join the godless in their contempt for the virtuous person; it might be a good exercise at the end to ask how we might be converted to Jesus' view that to welcome a little child is to welcome Him, and therefore to welcome the one who sent Him.

*Fr Colin Carr O.P.*

### CATECHIST'S CORNER

We all know the Decalogue, the Ten Commandments, and would be able to recite them, if asked. We could also explain them and how they help us to grow spiritually. We know that they are a gift given by God the Father, that His Son showed us how to live them and that His Holy spirit helps us to live them. However, how well do we know the five Commandments of the Church, or the Precepts of the Church as the Catechism now describes them? Why do we have these five Precepts of the

Church as well as the Ten commandments given by God to Moses on Mount Sinai? The reason the Church has given us these Precepts is because she wants to help us to carry out the Commandments of God and the teaching of the Gospel. Over the next few weeks we shall reflect on the Church's Precepts and what we can learn from them.

### CHAPLAINCY NEWS

#### Lunchtime Café

Our lunchtime café has now re-opened after 1.05 Mass, Monday to Thursday. Come and sample the best value lunch on campus.

#### Foreign Notes/Coins

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

#### Tuesday Adoration

Tuesday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament has re-commenced on Tuesdays from **1.30pm until 6.00pm** ending with Benediction.

#### Lauds (Morning Prayer)

There will be Sung Lauds (Morning Prayer) every Monday morning at 8.10 in the chapel. Rolls and sausage/bacon will be provided afterwards upstairs by the Knights of St. Columba.

#### RCIA

RCIA will re-start on **Thursday 4 October** from **6.00pm until 7.00pm** in the TV room. Anyone interested in becoming a Catholic should contact Fr Ross, [RCchaplaincy@glasgow.ac.uk](mailto:RCchaplaincy@glasgow.ac.uk) for further information.

### Catholic Society

The purpose of the society is for young Catholics (and those interested in Catholicism) to socialise, discuss and discover the faith. We meet **every Tuesday after 6.00pm Benediction** at the University Catholic Chaplaincy during the academic year. Our first meeting will be on **Tuesday 18th September**. Open to all young people! Contact: [ruairidhm@live.co.uk](mailto:ruairidhm@live.co.uk) or - [annabenova94@gmail.com](mailto:annabenova94@gmail.com)

### GUCA Leaflets

New GUCA leaflets are available for collection at the back and the side of the Chapel.

### Student Sunday Dinners

Student Sunday dinners will re-commence this **Sunday** after the 6.15pm Mass.

### SSVP

Dear brothers and sisters the SSVP partake in weekly tea runs for the homeless. Donations of biscuits would be greatly appreciated and can be handed in to any SSVP member during the week. Thank you and God bless.

### Glasgow Faith Forum

A series of talks for young people aged 16-25. The next talk will be on **Thursday 4 October** in Turnbull Hall at **7.30pm** on the subject of "Baptism & Confirmation: Sealed as God's own for all eternity." Speaker Sr Andrea Fraile. All young people welcome.

### RCAG Youth LECTIO DIVINA

LECTIO DIVINA is a quarterly event for S5-30 year olds, during which Archbishop Tartaglia will be leading us in the prayerful reading of the Gospels. Afterwards there will be pizza and Compline. It will take place in Turnbull Hall, G12 8LG on

Monday 8 October 2018, 8 December 2018, 11 March 2019 and 20 May 2019.

### OTHER NEWS

#### RCAG Youth FIND

S5-25? This event is for you! Come along and FIND out about your Catholic faith and meet other young people at RCAG Youth's 'FIND' event. This event will run every Thursday from 16.00-18.30 in Eyre Hall, 196 Clyde Street. See our website for more information; [www.rcagyouth.co.uk](http://www.rcagyouth.co.uk).

#### RCAG Youth FORMED

P7-S4? This event is for you! Come along to RCAG Youth's monthly event FORMED and discover more about your faith through fun activities, inut and games. There will, of course, be pizza too! This event will run on the first Friday of most months from 16.30-19.00 in Eyre Hall, 196 Clyde Street. See our website [www.rcagyouth.co.uk](http://www.rcagyouth.co.uk).

#### Holy Mass for Newly Married Couples

Archbishop Tartaglia will celebrate Holy Mass for the newly married couples of the Archdiocese in **St Andrew's Cathedral**, 196 Clyde Street, on **Sunday 7 October** at **3.00pm**. All couples of the Archdiocese married during the past few years are invited.

#### AGAP

AGAP film and Faith Club will meet at 3.00pm for a Matinee and also at 7.00pm on Thursday 4 October at St Mungo's Retreat House, Townhead, 52 Parson Street G4 0RX. This month's film is "The Greatest Showman" Cert. PG. New members welcome. Totally Free. Tea/coffee and chat.