

College, Hurst Green Lancashire BB7 9PZ. A bus is available from Glasgow City Chambers at 10.30 on 27 December. The returning coach will leave Stonyhurst at approx. 13.30 on 29 December. Full cost is **£40.00 (concession £25.00)**. See leaflet on notice board for details.

Day of Confessions

Priests will be available all day in **St Andrew's Cathedral**, Clyde Street on Thursday **20 December** from 7.45am until 5.45pm.

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.

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.

SCIAF Real Gifts

SCIAF's Real Gifts make excellent presents at Christmas while helping families in poor countries free themselves from hunger, poverty and injustice. There are some Real catalogues on the table in the foyer. If you don't already have one, please take one and give the gift that changes lives. See poster on notice board.

Vigil in Honour of the Sacred Heart

An all night vigil will be held in honour of the Sacred heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary on **Friday 7 December-Saturday 8 December** in **St Andrew's Cathedral**, Clyde Street, Glasgow G1 4JY. **Opening Mass at 8.00pm** and **closing Mass at 6am**. See poster on notice board for full details.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions (November)

That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

Feasts This Week

30 November-Solemnity of St Andrew

What's On This Week

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

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

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

Collections

Sunday 18 November £296.31 (Gift Aid £58.00)

Second collection £432.44

Last Year £344.56 (Gift Aid £57.07)

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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-6.00pm finishing with Benediction (during term)

25 November Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

When we read the uplifting words of the prophet Daniel foretelling the coming of the Messiah we realize that those words apply to Christ and His coming in glory; that day when the eternal kingdom of Christ will be apparent to all. Daniel was conscious that the rich and powerful empires that had dominated the world and overshadowed the history of Israel were passing away and that the Messiah would rule over a different kind of kingdom in which people would forever acknowledge the true God, the God of Israel.

In the second reading from the Apocalypse St John is clearly referring to the prophecy of Daniel and he makes it very clear that Jesus Christ is this promised king Messiah. But St John gives us a more detailed image of the future kingdom. Jesus is certainly above all earthly rulers but he is also a very different ruler for two reasons. First, because He loves us He has washed away our sins, including the whole history of human violence. Even those responsible for killing Him will not be prevented from seeing Him and there will be a moment of truth when everyone will be conscious of how little we understood and appreciated God's saving intervention in the life and death of Jesus. And secondly, Jesus has not only forgiven us, He has also raised us to the status of His own kings and priests, a status conferred on us in the anointing with holy oil at our baptism and confirmation.

When St John calls Jesus Christ the faithful witness, he means that Jesus is a unique witness to God's love for us. He doesn't just tell us about God's love for us, He opens up for us the whole mystery of God's infinite love for us because He is Himself the Son of God, who is Alpha and Omega - the one and only being who is truly sempiternal, beyond time itself.

When we come to today's gospel reading, from the trial of Jesus before Pilate, we find Jesus referring to the very same truth. Jesus has been accused of calling Himself a king and Pilate's own concern is political. All he wants to know is whether Jesus is a political agitator claiming some kind of earthly kingship. And Jesus makes it very clear that His kingdom is not of this world. That is good enough for Pilate. He immediately realizes that Jesus is no political threat. If Pilate had given Him the opportunity Jesus might have

gone on to explain that this truth is about God's love for humanity. But Pilate's reaction was the sceptical response of a half-educated man – 'what is truth?'

So, on the one hand Pilate is impatient to know the truth about Jesus but on the other hand his Roman education and his experience of the world has made him profoundly sceptical. He knows that Jesus is innocent of the charge against Him and yet this truth has so little value that he will sweep it aside just to keep the mob happy. Truth and morality are connected – but reason alone will fail to grasp this without the insight that comes from faith in God. That is why the rejection of Christianity in western society is leading to the 'breakdown of society'.

It is not just at the end of the Church's year but every day that we face the reality of Christ's kingdom. We can be sceptical or weak like Pilate and ultimately capitulate to the idea that actually all that matters is not rocking the boat, going along with the majority just for the sake of peace and quiet. Or we can rise to the challenge of God's truth, that actually a God of infinite love and mercy is in charge of this world, and we have to bear witness to that like Jesus Himself, whether people listen or not.

Fr John Kenrick O.P.

CATECHIST'S CORNER

In our final reflection on Purgatory, we consider why, over the centuries, the Church has referred to souls being purified in Purgatory by fire. This image has been taken from a passage in the Old Testament which says "For by fire will the Lord execute judgement" (Isaiah 66:16). However, Purgatory's fire is different from the everlasting fire of Hell, since Purgatory's fire is a cleansing fire as the Catechism tells us (CCC1031). Fire is something extremely painful which all men fear. Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, however, suggests in his book

"Eschatology: Death and Eternal Life" that, rather than being actual fire the fire of Purgatory is the fire of Jesus Himself. "The purification involved does not happen through some *thing*, but through the transforming power of the Lord Himself, whose burning flame cuts free our closed off heart." In Purgatory, Christ is there both as judge and healer through the flame of His love. It is this flame which will change man to reflect Christ's glorified body.

CHAPLAINCY NEWS

Sunday Evening Mass

Please note that the 6.15pm Sunday evening Mass will be discontinued from **Sunday 16 December**. It will resume on **Sunday 6 January**.

Chaplaincy Advent Devotions

On Saturday **15 December**, Solemn First Vespers (Evening Prayer) will be held in the chapel at **7.00pm** with Confessions. This will be followed by mince pies and mulled wine.

Adoration Sign-up Sheet

There is a sign-up sheet on the table at the side of the Chapel. Please sign up to be a guardian of the Blessed Sacrament, as there must be someone present in the chapel while the Blessed sacrament is exposed on the altar.

Tuesday Adoration

Tuesday Adoration will end this Tuesday and will re-commence next term.

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 has restarted on Thursdays from **6.00pm until 7.00pm** in the Office. Anyone interested in becoming a Catholic should contact Fr Ross, 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. Open to all young people! Contact: conorgildea288@gmail.com or carterlyon@gmail.com

Glasgow Faith Forum

A series of talks for young people aged 16-25. The next talk will be on **Thursday 29 November** in Turnbull Hall at **7.30pm** on the subject of "Matrimony." Speakers Conor and Naomi Gildea. All young people welcome.

Carol Concert

The Academy of Sacred Music are presenting an evening of Christmas Music and Carols on **Tuesday 18 December at 7.30pm**. Payment by donation at the door. All welcome. All proceeds going to the Chaplaincy.

Legion of Mary Patricians

The society of the Patricians will meet on **Sunday 2 December at 2:00 PM**. The topic this month is the Last Things. There will be a talk from Etienne Charpy and Fr Ross Refreshments provided. All are welcome to join.

Mary's Meals

Mary's Meals West End Street can collection is on Saturday 8 December. To volunteer for 2 hours please contact:-

Deirdre 339 8328 or email deirdreoreilly2005@yahoo.co.uk

White Flower Appeal

SPUC's annual White Flower Appeal will be held on Sunday 2 December. A second collection will be taken up at all Masses.

Turnbull Hall Christmas Dinner

Turnbull Hall's annual Christmas dinner will be held on **Thursday 13 December at 7.00pm**. Tickets are priced **£5.00** and are available from the student office. All welcome.

Mary's Meals Collection

Mary's Meals has thanked the chaplaincy for the success of their collection last Sunday. The collected 35 bags of clothing and raised £432.44 from the second collection. Many thanks for your generosity.

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 December 2018, 11 March 2019 and 20 May 2019.

Youth 2000

The Youth 2000 Prayer group will be meeting here on Monday 26 November at 7.00pm in the Chapel. All welcome to join them.

OTHER NEWS

Faith Winter Session

The Faith winter Session will take place from **27-29 December 2018** in Stonyhurst