

will be provided. See poster on notice board.

Short-Term Pledge for Lent

The Pioneer Total Abstinence Association of the Sacred heart is once again promoting the Short-Term Pledge for Lent. There will also be a Lenten Evening Retreat led by Fr Eamon Sweeney in St Patrick's Church, Coatbridge on Tuesday 9 April commencing at 7.00pm. all welcome. See notices on notice board for details.

Looking for a Lenten challenge?

How about praying for the Homeless Club users and volunteers working from the Wayside Club Centre, 32 Midland St, Glasgow? We are looking for your prayers during Lent and we also need help with practical tasks and food preparation in the evenings between 7.30pm and 10pm, Saturday from 1pm until 3pm, or before opening times. You could bring a family member or friend. Please contact Wayside Club president Charlie Hegarty by Facebook or 0141 221 0169 (after 7pm), or email: waysideglasgow@gmail.com .

Mass of St Patrick

The annual Mass for the Feast of St Patrick will take place in St Andrew's Cathedral on Saturday 16 March at 11.00am. Archbishop Philip Tartaglia will be the principal celebrant. All welcome. Please come early; you will be welcomed by an Irish piper, followed by music from St James the Great Ceili Band. There will also be a Festival Family Day in Merchant Square from 12pm – 5pm. See poster on notice board.

Marian Action

Marian Action, a group dedicated to performing apostolic work among Glasgow's homeless, are holding a Lectio Divina based meeting on Tuesday 5 March at 7.00pm in Café Simon, Partick Bridge

Street, next to St. Simon's Church. The purpose of this meeting is to pray for God's blessing on the group's work, as well as an opportunity to meditate on the word of God. For further information about Marian Action, please email marianaction@rocketmail.com, or phone 07547734668.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions (March)

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

Feasts this Week

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 24 February £276.73 (Gift Aid £40.00)

Second Collection £143.31

Last Year £400.04 (Gift Aid £138.80)

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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)

3 March 8th Sunday in Ordinary time

'Hypocrite!' This word strikes fear into the heart of every preacher. Or at least it should. Anyone who stands up in public and offers spiritual or moral teaching faces the occupational pitfall of 'hypocrisy'. Their lofty words can never be matched by the reality of their life. And not only the preacher but every Christian, indeed every person striving to be good, faces the same test. You dare to observe the speck in your brother's eye, while the log remains in your own eye.

So I find it unsurprising, as well as uncomfortable, that the dictionary highlights 'matters of religion or morality' as the most common habitat of the hypocrite. The concept of 'hypocrite', however, seems to have shifted awkwardly in our time. Properly speaking, in line with its original connotation of a stage actor (*hypokrites* in Greek), the hypocrite is the person who pretends to have a virtue that in reality they lack. So a hypocrite dissembles, hiding their real self behind a facade of respectability.

But this is not what many people mean when they accuse others of hypocrisy today, whether in the media or politics or the Church. By 'hypocrite' they merely indicate someone whose professed moral standards are not matched by their behaviour. This would mean that every teacher of morality (including every parent) must count as a 'hypocrite', since we all fail to keep our moral standards to some degree (unless we're setting our bar too low, which would be just as wrong, if not worse).

Are we all hypocrites, then? Are we all prevented from helping another person with the speck in their eye? I'm afraid that if this were so, we wouldn't even be able to call out the real hypocrisy, since who would bother to listen to one hypocrite calling another person a hypocrite?

What is missing in this newer idea of hypocrisy is the element of self-knowledge. Thankfully, the regrettable gap between someone's actions and professed standards can be bridged by their humble acknowledgment of the fact. A wise teacher knows their ignorance; a faithful disciple acknowledges that a long road lies ahead. A few years ago, a feisty nun was interviewed on the radio and insisted that she was 'not one of those pious ones'! A nun, not pious? But we have no reason to doubt her sincerity: this nun knew her weaknesses, her lack of piety, and so was probably not far from the

Kingdom of God

So, as long as we are aware of the log in our own eye, and take urgent steps to remove it, nothing prevents us calling the attention of others to the general problem of specks in eyes, or even to their particular speck in the eye, though we may not see clearly to help them actively remove it. Our Lord's warning remains: attend to the log in your own eye and never ignore it, or you will be a 'blind guide' unable to see the truth or to preach it.

Truth and truthfulness – that is always the key. The antidote to hypocrisy is humility, and humility is about truthfulness: not putting yourself any higher, or lower, than you really are. Humility means being grounded in reality, planted in the fertile earth (*humus*). So humility leads to fertility: a good tree, grounded in reality, will bear good fruit

In the present scandals in the Church, we need humility more than ever. Jesus says that 'every tree can be told by its own fruit', and that we draw good or bad from the store of goodness or badness in our heart. People might be justified in questioning the goodness of the Church when the outward actions of her members (especially in high places) are so visibly rotten. We urgently need humility to heal us all the way down, rooting us totally in Christ, until our inner core is pure, far purer than our outward appearance. That would eliminate all hypocrisy, however we define it.

Fr Matthew Jarvis O.P.

CATECHIST'S CORNER

"Anger is a major issue in everybody's life and in the life of nations. How we handle it is a vital factor in determining our well being and our happiness." (Abbot Christopher Jamison, *Finding Happiness*) If we think that it is good to "let off steam" then we have a very mechanistic view of human beings. We are not steam engines, we are

rational beings. Anger in the right place can be useful and even necessary. In the wrong place it can be fatal. If God is the direct author of everything that happens, we might be justified in getting angry at the way He arranges life. However, much of what happens in this life comes about as the result of sin and rebellion against God. When this dawns on us, it can open up the possibility that returning to God holds the key to overcoming anger. If we find ourselves angry with another person, we should follow St Paul's advice and not let the sun go down on our anger. (Eph 4:26-27). Or, to put it more colloquially-kiss and make up before going to bed!

CHAPLAINCY NEWS

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.

Glasgow Faith Forum

A series of talks for young people aged 16-25. The next talk is on **Thursday 7 March** in Turnbull Hall **at 7.30pm** on the subject of "The Life of Grace". Speaker Fr David Barrett. All young people welcome.

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

Discernment Evenings

Discernment evenings will be held on the following dates for those thinking about

the Diocesan Priesthood.: 8 March, 12 April and 10 May. Please contact Fr Ross (Ross.Campbell.2@glasgow.ac.uk) for further information.

GUCA Ball

The GUCA Ball will take place on Saturday 18 May at 7.00pm in the GUU. Tickets, price £30.00 (£10.00 deposit), are now available from the GUCA Office. Full payment is due by 18 April.

Sunday Night Dinner

The sign up sheet for the Sunday Night Dinner is on the GUCA notice board.

Ash Wednesday

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and is a day of fast and abstinence. Accordingly, there will be **no lunch time café** on Wednesday. Mass times are 8.05am, 1.05pm and 5.05pm. Ashes will be distributed at all Masses

Legion of Mary Patricians

The society of the Patricians will meet today at 2:00pm. The topic this month is the Supernatural **and the** talk will be given by Thomas Starkie. Refreshments provided. All are welcome to join.

Parish Family Project

The Parish Family Project has begun! We are looking for active parishioners to join our Fundraising Committee. To find out more, please visit our Facebook Page: TBH Parish Family Project or speak to Ashlee Lally.

Family Pancake Day Party

Please join us in the upstairs cafe on Tuesday **5 March** from **5.30-6.30pm**. We will provide the pancakes, you bring the fillings, toppings, and the family! All are welcome. Requested donation of £2, all money going towards the Family Project Fund.

Parking at the Chaplaincy

Please do not park in the reserved bays as they are for the use of Fr Ross and Chaplaincy staff.

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 11 March 2019 and 20 May 2019.

OTHER NEWS

AGAP

Lentfest 2019 takes place from 7 March with a variety of programmes. Booklets giving full details of all events are available in the foyer. Please support AGAP by attending one of these events, three of which take place in the University Memorial Chapel.

40 Days for Life

What are you doing for Lent? Will you come and pray one hour with us each week this Lent to pray for a culture of life in Scotland? To join the 40 days for Life prayer vigil email Ogilvie2019@outlook.com. 40 days for Life stands in prayerful solidarity with all women, men and children whose lives have been damaged/taken by abortion. See poster on notice board.

Lenten Reflection for Teachers and School Staff

The above retreat will take place on **Wednesday 13 March** in **St Andrew's Cathedral** at **6.30pm**. There will be a reflection, Evening Prayer, Adoration and the opportunity for Confession. Refreshments