

to **Friday 5 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.

Glasgow Diocesan 2019 Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The above pilgrimage, led by Archbishop Tartaglia, will take place on **12 -19 July**, leaving by air from Glasgow. Prices for 7 nights full board are £849.00 for Hotel Padoue, Hotel Solitude and Hotel Eliseo. Seat only is £495.00. See poster on notice board for full details.

Salesian Sisters' Jubilee

To celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the Salesian Sisters arriving in Scotland, Mass will be celebrated by Bishop John Keenan at **3.00pm** on Saturday **24th August** in St. Fergus Church, Ferguslie Park, Paisley. All are invited to share in this celebration of Holy Mass and for a buffet in the school hall afterwards. We would love to see people who have been involved with our work anywhere in Scotland. If you intend coming for and staying for the buffet please let us know for catering purposes. You can email your name and number of people coming to fmajubilee50@gmail.com We look forward to seeing you there.

Monastic Experience Weekend

The monks of Pluscarden Abbey are offering a special opportunity to experience what monastic life is about, during the weekend of Friday 2 to Monday 5 August 2019. there will be no charge for the weekend. See poster on notice board for details.

Council of Christians and Jews

For our next branch meeting we would like to invite all of our members and friends to come along and hear our branch chair talk about her recent study tour in Israel. Come

and hear her talk about how experiencing the situation on the ground influences the way one thinks about the major issues facing Israel today. This will take place on **Wednesday 22 May at 2pm** in **Giffnock Synagogue**, 22 Fenwick Road G46 6UE. See poster on notice board for details.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions (MAY)

That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for the continent.

Feasts this Week

14 May-Feast of St Matthias

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 5 May £302.77 (Gift Aid £35.00)

Last Year £221.94 (Gift Aid £39.00)

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-6.00pm finishing with Benediction (during term)

12 May 4th Sunday of Easter

Being compared with sheep is not generally regarded as highly complimentary. As reflected in the phrase 'as silly as a sheep', sheep have a reputation for being over-docile, following each other snout-to-tail in an uncritical fashion. There are even those who maintain that speaking of the Church's faithful as sheep has had, over the centuries, a depressant effect in stifling initiative among the laity. But are these negative qualities of sheep, whether real or alleged, the ones Jesus had in mind? Almost certainly not. In a largely pastoral society – so unlike our economically diversified and largely urban one – there would be a great deal more respect for, and understanding of, what sheep are and the kind of relation they have to their shepherd. What aspects of that relation, may we ask, are important for this Gospel?

First and foremost, the shepherd enjoys a kind of instinctive communication with his sheep. It's actually an acquired capacity to read little signals or symptoms, so that the shepherd has a sense for what the sheep are wanting. They are transparent to him, so that whether the sheep's preoccupation is hunger or thirst, predators or better grass on the other side of the mountain, the shepherd can pick it up and act on it. There's a network of stimulus and response which creates a mutual knowledge. 'I know my sheep and they know me.'

We all have a desire to be known: to be perfectly, intimately, known. One of our great needs is to share our sense of ourselves with what our contemporaries call some 'significant other'. We want someone else to understand our fears and anxieties, and to witness and share our joys and happiness. But – and this is a very large 'but' indeed – we want this someone never to abuse this knowledge. We need to be known in this intimate way by someone who will never disparage or humiliate us, never use or manipulate us. We require a well-grounded absolute trust in this perfect confidant or we might be seriously damaged by him or her. And, unfortunately, though there may be some wonderful marriages where people come near to it, in general this is asking for the moon. If these are the non-negotiable criteria, human beings are virtually bound to be sheep without a shepherd. Yet precisely this is the quality of relationship offered by Christ since, in His divine-human perfection, He really is the Good Shepherd.

What He says is, 'I know my sheep and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father'. The second part of this statement – the part about the Son's knowledge of the Father – is obviously vital to understanding the first part, the inter-relation of the shepherd and the sheep. Friendship with the Good Shepherd is not simply a crutch to help us hobble a little better through life. It is something far more. It is nothing less than an invitation to enter upon the mystical way: to begin, if not to end, an experiential journey into the life of God himself. What He says is that the knowledge He will have of us will be like the very knowledge the Father has of the Son. We need to ask, accordingly, so, what is that knowledge like, pray?

It is an extraordinary knowledge. The Father's loving knowledge of Son is the act whereby the Son exists – generated from before all worlds. For Jesus to promise He will know us in the way the Father knows Him is for Him to say He wants our existence to blossom with that same generative love, the love that has been going on in God before the world was made. It is a mind-blowing claim. It concerns our deification, a word that, I recall, has alarmed converts I have instructed but our Catechism contains it. Perhaps had the Alps existed in Galilee Jesus would have compared us not so much to sheep, intrepid adventurers though they can be on their own terrain, sometimes to their cost. Perhaps, I venture to suggest, he would have compared us to the ibex, the Alpine goat, which can leap up to where the edelweiss flowers. That wonder-world is where the redeemed are headed.

Fr Aidan Nichols O.P.

CATECHIST'S CORNER

An old Chinese proverb says "The journey of ten thousand miles begins with the first step." We are on a long journey of faith, the journey of a lifetime. In some ways we take

"the first step" every day of our lives, as we strive to follow Christ's teaching. We are blessed, however, in being accompanied on our journey by Our Blessed Lady. Pope John Paul II in his encyclical on our Lady, *Redemptoris Mater*, stressed Mary's pilgrimage of faith. She made the same journey that we are now making. Because she has gone before us, we can learn from her; she can be our guide, our teacher for our own pilgrimage of faith. One of the most important lessons we can learn from Mary is how to trust God, especially when we are not sure where the Lord is leading us. In his encyclical Pope John II noted that Mary advanced in her pilgrimage of faith. In this way, Our Lady teaches us that being a Christian is not a static experience, we have to mature in our Christian life. We have to develop spiritually and that is what our pilgrimage of faith is all about. (*Andrew Apostoli CFR*)

CHAPLAINCY NEWS

Foreign Coins

Please do not put foreign coins or notes (including Euros) 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 as they are no longer accepted by the bank and will be put in the nearest waste-paper basket.

Second Collection

The second collection this Sunday is for Ecclesiastical Students.

May Devotions

The Legion of Mary have organised May Devotions in the Chapel on **Thursday 16**

May. They will begin with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from **7.00pm until 8.00pm**, followed by the recitation of the Rosary. Dinner will be provided afterwards.

Summer Concert

A Summer Concert for Bob Simans will be held in the upstairs hall on **Saturday 1 June at 7.00pm**. Please come along and enjoy an evening of music provided by the Salon Trio, the St Cecilia String Orchestra, who will perform Elgar's Serenade for Strings, a solo harpist and singers from the Academy of Sacred Music. Refreshments will be provided after the concert. Entrance by donation. Proceeds will go to the Academy of Sacred Music. All welcome.

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.

6.15pm Sunday Mass

Please note that the 6.15pm Mass on Sundays will end on Sunday 19 May. It will recommence at the beginning of the next academic year.

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.

Accommodation Available

One of our community is looking for a female flatmate for the next academic year. The room is available from June. If interested please email Justyna at: justynaklara@yahoo.se

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 20 May 2019.

OTHER NEWS

Glasgow Serra 31 Club

The 31 Club asks parishioners to commit to offer one Mass each month for the next year for vocations to the priesthood and the religious life. A 31 Club poster is on the notice board and you are encouraged to choose a date which suits you and print your name on the poster against that date.

Pro-Life Mass

This month's Pro-Life Mass will take place on **Wednesday, 15 May** in Bl. John Duns Scotus, 270 Ballater St, Gorbals G5 0YT. There will be **Adoration at 6pm**, followed by **Rosary at 7pm** and **Mass at 7.30pm**. All welcome. The celebrant will be Fr Jim Lawlor.

The Religious Sister of Mercy of Alma

The religious Sister of Mercy of Alma invite all young women who are discerning a vocation to marriage or the religious life to join them for a Holy Hour at 5.30pm on any or all of the following dates: 12 April, 10 May. See poster on notice board for full details.

Marian Age Pilgrimages

Knock and Lough Derg/Donegal

Marian Age Pilgrimages to Knock and Lough Derg/Donegal from **Monday 1 July**