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.

Musicians Wanted
Mass is celebrated each Monday at 7.15pm in Barlinnie Prison. The chaplains would appreciate the help of singers and musicians to lead the singing at the Mass. Commitment would be no more than once a month, but could be less. If you can help, please telephone the chaplaincy on 0141 770 2059 or email BarlinnieChaplaincy@sps.pnn.gov.uk

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
26 May-Memorial of St Philip Neri

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 undergraduate 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 Stegarou (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 praise and worship with Eucharistic Adoration. Contact Anna (annapf@hotmail.co.uk)

Collections
Sunday 13 May £264.51 (Gift Aid £74.00)
Second Collection £112.46
Last Year £341.08 (Gift Aid £59.00)
Thank you for your generosity. Please consider Gift Aid—we receive back 28p on every £1.
Gift Aid forms available from Rosemary

20 May Pentecost Sunday
Air gets everywhere—it fills our lungs, our rooms, our homes, and the whole world. What a fitting image it is, therefore, for the Holy Spirit, the ruah Adonai, the "Breath of God" who fills all creation and gives it to the gifts and blessings of the living and true God. For the Spirit of God is the air that the Risen Lord breathes over us His disciples, and over the Church, and over the whole world that creation might be given new life: “Receive the Holy Spirit”. Hence, in the account of the Pentecostal descent of the Holy Spirit, notice that the Spirit “filled the entire house”, and then the apostles were “all filled with the Holy Spirit”, and then they fill the streets of Jerusalem where, speaking in the languages of the known world, they signify that the Spirit fills the inhabited world with God’s blessings. As the psalmist says, “the earth is full of God’s riches”. The message of Pentecost, therefore, which was a great Jewish harvest festival, is that God fills the world with His riches, His manifold blessings and gifts, indeed, with His holy presence, and God desires that you and I should reap that harvest, and receive His blessings, and use His gifts.

St Paul describes well the world that we live in, a world that is wounded and torn apart by sin, a world over which the Devil is prince. So we are all somehow victims of sin. Each of us has been preyed upon by the Devil who, from the start, lied to our first parents and has seduced us and influenced us, inducing us to choose sin; often, against our better judgment. We think that by lying, fighting, quarrelling, indulging the desires of the flesh, and by grasping for more control, power, and money we can be happier. But we think this because we have been lied to by the world, by the lusts of the flesh, and by the Devil. At some level, we believed those lies because nobody acts in order to become more unhappy—we desired, rather, what we thought to be good, what we believed would lead to happiness and contentment. But, as St Paul says, these lies are “opposed to the Holy Spirit.”

Knowing our predicament, our merciful Saviour, therefore, promises to send the “Spirit of truth”. He is our “Advocate”, that is to say, he defends us from the assaults and lies of the Devil, and he is our Helper, for he comes to lead us “to the complete truth”. He comes like fire to burn away falsehood and lies. If we are led by the Spirit, then, we shall have
“love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness, and self-control”. Who does not long for such gifts? Who does not seek to live in such a world? But if we desire to these gifts of God, then we have to receive the Holy Spirit, and seek daily to “be directed by the Spirit” as St Paul says. We must daily surrender to the Holy Spirit, reject whatever is contrary to God’s holiness, and so be filled with the Holy Spirit. Let us breathe in the Breath of God and be inspired by Him.

As Pope Francis said recently: “Do not be afraid to set your sights higher, to allow yourself to be loved and liberated by God. Do not be afraid to let yourself be guided by the Holy Spirit. When all is said and done, “the only great tragedy in life, is not to become a saint” (Gaudete et exsultate, 34).

The Holy Spirit comes, therefore, to lead us to this great truth: that God has created you and me as potential saints; He has made us for loving friendship with Himself. To attain this great gift of blessed union in heaven with Him, He has given us the greatest Gift of Himself, He gives us His Holy Spirit. So, everyday, let us receive the Gift of the Holy Spirit; let us listen in silence to His soft inspirations, and obey His Word.

Fr Lawrence Lew O.P.

CATECHIST’S CORNER

Eastertide ends with the glorious feast of Pentecost. In the liturgy of recent weeks, and especially with the Ascension, we have been promised the gift of the Holy Spirit and His power. The First Reading, which we hear each year, is a dramatic account of the descent of the Holy Spirit on the apostles and of its wondrous effects. Today we celebrate the birth of the Church. In the Second Reading, St Paul clearly distinguishes the difference between a life guided by the Spirit and that led by self-indulgence. We are encouraged to lead a Spirit-filled life, following Christ’s example and manifesting his gifts. The Gospel takes us back to Jesus’s words at the Last Supper, and His promise to send the Holy Spirit, who is our Advocate and our teacher. He is the Spirit of truth who will lead us to the complete truth. As we celebrate this climax of Eastertide, may we spend time this week pondering what these last fifty days have meant to us.

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)

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.

RISE
RISE prayer group invite you to an evening of prayer and praise in thanksgiving for Pentecost and in celebration of 10 years of our prayer group this year. Please come along for Eucharistic Adoration, praise and worship music and reflection on the gift of Pentecost. Thursday 24th May 7:30pm-9pm in Turnbull Hall Chapel.

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. See poster on notice board.

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.

Remembrance Mass
A remembrance Mass will be said in St Agnes’ Church, Lambhill on Sunday 27 May at 3.00pm for all who are buried in St Kentigern’s Cemetery, Western Necropolis Cemetery or Lambhill Cemetery. See poster on notice board for full details.

Annual Summer Pilgrimage
The annual summer pilgrimage in honour of St Margaret of Scotland will be held in Dunfermline on Sunday 3 June. The day begins at 11am and at 1.45pm there will be a procession led by Archbishop Leo Cushley, who will celebrate Mass at 3.00pm. See leaflets on table in the foyer.

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.