

### Missionary Appeal

Thank you so much for your very generous donation of **£1,565** for the Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver last week.

### Novena to the Holy Spirit

The greatest and first of all Novena prayers is that we pray to God the Holy Spirit between the Ascension and Pentecost (Fri 15<sup>th</sup> to Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> May). I have ordered copies of this for all parishioners which will be available after all Masses on Ascension Thursday.

**An Easter Journey through the Acts Part Three of our Bible study on the Acts of the Apostles continues this Monday at 7.15pm in the Hall.** We will be looking especially at the Conversion of St Paul, the preaching of St Peter to the Gentiles, and the Council of Jerusalem. The final session is on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May.**

### SVDP Parish Visit

**This weekend** we will have a visit from Diocesan members of the Society of St Vincent de Paul (SSVP). They will speak briefly at the end of Mass to promote the important and valuable work of the Society, and explain who they are, the work they do and how you might be able to help with our own SVDP Society here in St James.

### Confirmation Sponsors' Workshop

Will take place immediately after our 10.30am Mass in the Hall. You are invited to have a breakfast roll, and then we will speak about your preparation for being a Sponsor at Confirmation.

### Sacrament of Confirmation

On Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 7.00pm Bishop Toal will come to the parish to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for our Primary 7 children. Please remember them in these final weeks of preparation for this beautiful Sacrament and their being sealed by the Holy Spirit. **Bishop Toal will also visit our Confirmandi this Monday at St Timothy's.**

### Children's Liturgy

Children from Primary 1 to Primary 4 are welcomed and encouraged to attend their own Liturgy of the Word at our 10.30 Mass. **We are looking for more volunteers to help support our Children's Liturgy, if you are willing to help please speak to me after Mass.**

### Parish Baptism Course

All parents wishing to have their child baptised are required to attend one of our monthly baptism courses. The next course will be on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30pm** in the Hall committee room. Please sign up via the QR code or go to <https://stjamescoatbridge.co.uk/baptism-course/>



### Holy Day of Obligation Ascension Thursday

This Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> May, is Ascension Thursday and a Holy Day of Obligation where all Catholics must attend Mass. Our Mass times will be: **7.00am, 9.45am** (with children from St Timothy's), and **6.30pm**. The early morning Mass will finish around 7.30am for those going to work afterwards. Both the 9.45am and 6.30pm Masses will be Solemn Masses with music.

### Upcoming Corpus Christi Celebrations

We will be having a week of celebrations in preparation for the great Solemnity of Corpus Christi in the parish.

Beginning on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June** we will have our Forty Hours Devotion of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, beginning with the opening Mass at 6.30pm and a silent Holy Hour from 7.00pm, concluding with Benediction at 8.00pm.

On **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June** there will be silent Adoration from 7.00am-7.00pm, and a guided Holy Hour meditation from visiting priests from 7.00pm-8.00pm, concluding with Benediction.

On **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June** there will be silent Adoration from 8.00am until 6.15pm, concluding with Benediction and our closing Solemn Mass at 6.30pm, with a guest priest preaching.

**Sign up sheets to be guardians of the Blessed Sacrament will be in the porch next week.**

On **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June** we will have a special Latin Mass in honour of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus at 6.30pm. On **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June** we will celebrate our First Holy Communions at 11.00am and 1.00pm. Finally, on **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June** we will have our Corpus Christi Procession on the streets after our 10.30am Mass. The children who have made their First Communion are invited to take part in the Procession, as well as our Confirmation children, and there will be a reception in the Hall afterwards. It will be a great week!


### Hall Bookings

For Hall enquiries and bookings, please contact Val Reid on 07938 873113.

# Saint James the Greater Parish

232 Woodhall Avenue, Coatbridge, ML5 5DF

Telephone: 01236 422233 Email: [stjames@rcdom.org.uk](mailto:stjames@rcdom.org.uk)

 St James' Coatbridge

Parish Priest: Father Paul H. Denney

Charity No. SCO011041

<https://stjamescoatbridge.co.uk>



## Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May - Sixth Sunday of Easter

### Mass Schedule

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May**

**Holy Mass at 6.30pm**

### Groups

**Monday Club at 1.00pm  
Bible Study at 7.15pm**

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May**

**Holy Mass at 9.45am**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May**

**Requiem Mass for Cathy Flanigan RIP  
at 9.45am**

**Men's Group 6.30pm in  
the Hall.**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May**

**Solemnity of The Ascension of The Lord  
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

**Holy Mass at 7.00am, 9.45am and 6.30pm**

*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.30pm,*

*concluding with Benediction at 6.15pm.*

*Confessions 5.30-6.10pm.*

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May**

**Holy Mass at 9.45am**

*Confessions 9.10-9.40am,*

*Holy Rosary 9.20am.*

## Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May - Seventh Sunday of Easter

**Vigil Mass 16<sup>th</sup> May at 4.15pm Confessions 3.30-4.00pm.**

**Sunday Mass at 9.00am & 10.30am (with children's liturgy)**

### Prayers for the sick and housebound

Jim Kelly, Anne Thérèse Judge, Betty Cannon, Nora McCann, Rose McGhee, John Foley, Brian Judge, Tony Gallagher, Barbara Lucock, Cathie Dunnachie, Thomas Martin, Eileen Wilkie, Caroline Boland, Jean Graham, Heather Flanigan, Geraldine Boyce, Janey Tominey, John & Mary McDade, Andrew Cane, Felix Dillon, Rosaleen Grogan, Timothy Nilsson, Jean Reilly, Olivia Ratcliffe, Margaret Elliott, Patricia Grace, Jean Marie Kerr, Ann Marie Martin, and Margaret Beattie.

### Prayers for the Faithful Departed

**Recently Deceased:** Cathy Flanigan (Requiem Mass Weds 13<sup>th</sup> May at 9.45am, Reception of Remains Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 6.00pm).

**Month's Minds:** Kathleen Donnelly, Joseph McMullan, Paul McMullen, and Mary Grant.

**Anniversaries:** Michelle Tighe, Elizabeth, James & Frank O'Rourke, Peter Cannon, Christopher Smith, and Jim Mallon.

**Birthday Remembrance:** May & Tommy McMullen, and Tommy Tighe.

*May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace.*