



Holy Cross Parish

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16th February 2020 – 6th Sunday of the Year A, page 136.

First Reading: *Ecclesiasticus 15:15 – 20*, Psalm 118: **“They are happy who follow God’s law.”**

Second Reading: *1 Corinthians 2:6-10*; Gospel: **Matthew 5:17-37**. *You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors; but I say this to you.*

5.30pm (Holy Cross) – Intentions of Sheena and Douglas Moffat and repose of soul of Iain Moffatt

Sun. 16 Feb. 9.30am (Holy Cross) – Winnie Grego

11.00am (St. Margaret Mary) – Mass for People

12.30pm (in Polish St. Margaret Mary) – Sara on 2nd anniversary of her birthday.

Mon. 17 Feb. 10.00am (Holy Cross) – Rose Cannon

Tue. 18 Feb. 7.00pm (St. Margaret Mary) – (Neil Ward)

Wed. 19 Feb. 10.00am (Holy Cross) – Special Intention of Grant Stewart

Thu. 20 Feb. 11.00am (Holy Cross) – Holy Cross Funeral of Iris McLaughlin

Fri. 21 Feb. 10.00am (St. Margaret Mary’s) – Deacon Rudi Fernandes

Sat. 22 Feb.

5.30pm (Holy Cross) – Mass for People

Sun. 23 Feb. 9.30am (Holy Cross) –

11.00am (St. Margaret Mary) – Bill Carolan

12.30pm (in Polish St. Margaret Mary) –

This Sunday (16.02.2020) is sixth Sunday of the Year A

Sat. 22 Feb. – Chair of St Peter the Apostle – feast

Next Sunday (23.02.2020) is The 7th Sunday of the Year “A”

Confessions: at 5pm on Saturday in Holy Cross church.

Thank you all for your generosity shown in the collection from Sunday **9 February 2020** which in Holy Cross was: **£ 309.10** and in St Margaret Mary’s: **£ 509.20**.

Please pray for: Fr. John Morrison, Eleanor Hamilton, Moira Todd, Moira Flucker, Madeline McParland, Kathleen Dugan, Netta Chapman, and all the sick and housebound in our parish. Also we pray for **Moyra Scully** (Wilson) and **Lisa White** who died recently.

Mass in Polish: Today’s Mass at 12:30pm will be said by Fr Bart Parys SVD while Fr Marcin is away. Father Bart is Polish Divine Word Missionary working in Dublin. We warmly welcome him in our church.

Please note that Mass on Thursday is at 11.00am in Holy Cross church due to funeral arrangements and Mass on Friday will be at St Margaret Mary’s church.

Ash Wednesday – In two weeks we will enter into lent time so next Wednesday (26th Feb) is The Ash Wednesday.

Safeguarding statement being made by coordinators.

First Communion Organisation – this week event - The meetings for parents and carers of children in the second year of preparation for First Communions are as follows: those making First Communion at Holy Cross church -Wednesday **19th February at 7.00pm Holy Cross church**; those making First Communion at St. Margaret Mary’s -Monday 24th 7.00pm at St. Margaret Mary’s hall.

All parents and carers are expected to be there. We will confirm at these meetings at what church and Mass the children will be making their First Communion.

Parish Pastoral Council: The minutes of the Parish Pastoral Council will be on the noticeboard and on the website next weekend.

First Confession: The provisional dates for the First Confessions are: St. Margaret Mary's Saturday morning 14th March and Holy Cross Saturday morning 21st March. Precise times will follow later.

Appreciate your Parish: At the Masses on 28th and 29th March, we will be celebrating and praying about the various activities that go on in the parish. The main purpose is for all of us to appreciate how much time and skill people give to parish life. It is also to invite parishioners to think about how they might offer time and skill to the parish. Would those involved in activities and groups start to think about what they would want to communicate to the parish.

'Concerts in the Cathedral' - two fantastic shows at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, on Friday 6 March with musicians Aly Bain & Phil Cunningham and Saturday 7 March with Barbara Dickson. These will be lovely occasions and will also help to raise funds for the Cathedral. Tickets cost £25 per person, available from Eventbrite.

200 Club - January draw The draw for the 200 Club took place in Holy Cross Church Hall following 09:30 Mass on Sunday 2nd February.

As more parishioners are supporting the 200 Club we have increased the monthly prizes to 1st Prize - £100 and 2nd Prize - £50.

The result was:

1st Prize No 102 Joanna Bruntisfield - £100

2nd Prize No 40 Roddy McMonagle - £50

There are still numbers available for new members of the 200 Club. Please contact Robert McGee on 07733003081 or robertbmcgee@btinternet.com for more information.

Fundraiser in aid of Mary's Meals on Saturday 28th March from 12noon to 2 30 pm. Tickets are £4.50 for adults, £1.50 for children and will be on sale from Saturday 7th March. Home baking will be available to buy.

Archdiocesan events

Remembering Service (poster attached): A service will take place for those who have lost a child, from the beginning of pregnancy onwards, on Sunday 8th March at 6.00pm, St John the Baptist RC Church, Corstorphine, Edinburgh. This service may be helpful to anyone who feels that they have not had the opportunity to acknowledge and grieve for their loss. It's also for those who wish to come in love and support. The service is ecumenical and open to all. Poster attached.

Lourdes 2020: Young adults (16-30) are invited to travel to Lourdes as part of the helper team for the annual Archdiocesan pilgrimage this summer, 10-17th July. Find out more at a meeting after Mass on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, 3pm on Sunday 16th February at St Cuthbert's, Slateford Road, Edinburgh (meeting to begin circa 4:15pm). The pilgrimage is open to people of all ages – find out more at <https://www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/volunteer/>

Augustinians: St Joseph's Parish in Broomhouse, celebrates 70 years since its opening and 25 years of service from the Augustinian Order. The parish is inviting all friends and former parishioners to a Mass being celebrated on Thursday 19th March at 7.00pm with Archbishop Leo Cushley as the principal celebrant. There will be light refreshments in the hall afterwards. The church is in Broomhouse St N, Edinburgh, EH11 3SB.

Lent talks: 'Love Lent: The Call to Holiness'. These talks take place at the Gillis Centre on 1st, 15th and 29th March, from 5pm-7pm. They feature three different stories on God's call, from Archbishop Cushley (1st), Sister Mirjam Hugens (15th) and Fr Andrew Garden (29th). The talks will conclude with prayer followed by pizza and a chance to socialise. All events free and there's no need to register.

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