



18th June, 2023.

Eleventh Sunday of the Year, A.

RC Diocese of Argyll and the Isles

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Charity registration number - SC002876

Masses during the Week

Tuesday: 10.00a.m.

Wednesday: 10.00a.m. St. Aloysius Gonzaga

Thursday: 10.00a.m.

Friday: 10.00a.m.

Saturday 6.00p.m. Vigil Mass.

Sunday: 9.00a.m. and 11.00a.m.

Confessions: Saturday at 5.30p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday after Mass.

Rosary: After Thursday morning Mass in our Lady's chapel.

Now that the **Covid restrictions** have been lifted in the church, the parish is looking to re-institute Eucharistic Ministers for service within the parish community. There will be a meeting for all the Eucharistic Ministers in the church hall on Wednesday, 28th June at 7.00p.m. Please contact Fr. Roddy if you cannot attend the meeting.

Thank you to the parishioners who came along to the meeting last Wednesday to help organise a **parish social night**. The social night will be held on Friday, 11th August at 7.00p.m. in the church hall. Fr. Philip has been invited along and he will be given a presentation. A special collection for Fr. Philip will be taken on the weekend of 5th/6th August. More details will be provided over the coming weeks.

A request has come in to provide transport to and from 11.00a.m. Mass for a person who is wheelchair reliant. If any parishioner is able to help with this request, please see Fr. Roddy.

Parish walking Group: Saturday morning at 11.00a.m. meeting in the church car-park. All welcome to come along and meet fellow parishioners and have tea/coffee/cake after the walk.

More helpers are required for **Sunday teas** after Mass. Please consider lending a hand.

There will be **Tea/Coffee** in the Church hall after 11a.m. Mass on Sunday. All welcome.

A Reflection:

“The person in misery does not need a look that judges and criticises, but a comforting presence. Jesus looked at the ordinary people, and seeing how needy they were, he had compassion on them and began to minister to them. Compassion means that I suffer with you; I accept into my heart the misery in yours; I become one with you in your pain. I may not be able to relieve that pain, but by understanding it and sharing it, I make it possible for you to bear it. Lord, give us warm and generous hearts so that we may be agents of your compassion to others”. (Fr. Flor McCarthy, SDB).

Bishop Brian: “Dear sisters and brothers in Christ, yesterday I was at a Santa Marta Summit in Glasgow. Pope Francis began Santa Marta ten years ago to build cooperation between the Church and Law Enforcement agencies to combat human trafficking. Yesterday's Summit was organised jointly by the Catholic Church and Police Scotland, who hosted it, with law and legal officials as well as inter-faith leaders from across Britain and Ireland participating.

Worldwide a staggering fifty million men, women and children are presently condemned to slavery and human trafficking. The population of the G7 nations (including us) spends \$468 billion on goods originating from the labour of exploited people. We can easily presume that the problem only exists abroad yet last year 621 victims in Scotland were referred to the police: an increase of over 200% on the previous year and over 100% increase in children!

Yet this is not primarily about numbers, as each victim is a unique person created in the image of God. It is no wonder Pope Francis has condemned human trafficking as an open wound in the flesh of humanity. As disciples, how will we respond?"