Parish of Our Lady & St. Bridget's, West Calder

Sunday 14th June 2020 – Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

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TIME	MASS INTENTIONS
13 June Saturday	Fr Tommy Greenan (RIP)
14 June Sunday	People of the Parish
15 June Monday	Betty & Bill Glynn (Anniv)
16 June Tuesday	John Smith (Anniv)
17 June Wednesday	Rev Fr James Payne (RIP)
18 June Thursday	Joan Bremner (Anniv)
19 June Friday	Leo Barker (sick)
20 June Saturday	
21 June Sunday	People of the Parish

Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

Friday is the Solemnity of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Please see our parish website for link to see mass celebrated on line in our archdiocese, UK and all over the world.

Parish Pastoral council will meet ton Monday 15th of June at 7pm over video conference. Any thoughts and suggestions welcome.

Please have a look at our parish website for Fr Marcin's update regarding opening the churches.

You can now watch the pro-life film Unplanned on Amazon for 99p
Unplanned brings us an eye-opening look inside the abortion industry from a woman who was once its most passionate advocate. Abby Johnson was an award winning employee at Planned Parenthood until one day she saw something and everything changed… Unplanned movie - has a 94% 5 -Star rating on Amazon UK. It's a powerful pro-life statement that's well worth seeing. Watch it for £0.99 here: https://www.amazon.co.uk/Unplanned-Ashley-Bratcher/dp/B082BKGL6W
Btw you don't need an ongoing subscription with Amazon Prime – just the account you probably already have to buy Amazon books

BONUS BALL—-The bonus ball fund raising for Father Aloys in Kenya will be postponed from last week (22/3/20) until Sunday Mass resumes. We would ask that those in the scheme continue to put your pound away each week and we will collect them when mass resumes, we could perhaps hold two or more prizes of £100 when things are back to normal. Thank you all. T Toner

NEW donation website has been set up by the archdiocese to support your local parish. If you would like to pay safe by card please visit our parish website and click DONATION page. This is safe & secure diocesan program.

Feel free to use also our parish Bank Accounts to support our parish via direct debit, standing orders or direct money transfers. We rely on generosity of our parishioners. Thank you. We can't handle money at the moment so please for time being use money transfer to parish account or hold on with your donations till we will be back to more normal life.

RBS Account name: Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh – Our Lady & St Bridget s Church West Calder
Sort code: 83-28-03
Account: 00245404

Mass intentions still can be accepted over email or post.

First Holy Communion will be postponed most likely till autumn or next year.

Community response to COVID-19
Polbeth Hub have planned a range of community support services (food parcels and meals, support line, check-ins) and will be dropping a flier around the village on Thursday

· The Brunch Club (CDT and WCCEA) plans to produce chilled meals and use a network of volunteers/staff to deliver them to those at risk and elderly local people at the discounted seniors rate of £2 for a main course/£3 for soup and main.

· The Food Bank has introduced an emergency protocol parcel pick-up and may offer delivery.

· Harburn Residents have set up a mutual support group which is already collecting prescriptions and checking in on folk.

-GP Surgery has change the appointment system.

Please pray for the sick: Willie Gaughan, Elsie Burns, John Toner, Irene McFadden Jackie Flannagan, John & Elizabeth Cairney, Frank McLinden, Margaret Mooney. Jean O'Hagan. Martin Coyne, David McMillan, Joe Smedley, Irene Eardley, Ella Cassaly. Paul Marshall, Rachel Shiels. Leo Barker. George Lavery.

LOCKDOWN LOWDOWN

The Scottish Government's route map document gives details of a four phase move out of the current state of lockdown. How does this affect our churches?

PHASE 1

No public gatherings except for meetings of two households, outdoors and with physical distancing.

(EXPECTED TO BEGIN 28 MAY)

PHASE 2

Places of worship open for private prayer under physical distancing rules and hygiene safeguards.

Marriages and other types of ceremonies to take place with minimal number of attendees.

(CHURCHES RE-OPEN)

PHASE 3

Places of worship open to extended groups subject to physical distancing/hygiene safeguards.

Relaxation of restrictions to attend funerals and marriages beyond close family.

PHASE 4

Mass gatherings resume in line with public health advice.

All ceremonies can take place, with improved hygiene and other precautions.

Source: Covid-19 Route Map, page 44 under 'Gatherings and Occasions'
Phase dates not confirmed and subject to circumstances and data changes.

OUR BISHOPS

The Bishops' Conference of Scotland (BCOS) has set up a group for phased reopening of our churches

COVID-19 WORKING GROUP

→ **Infection Control**
Will create an Infection Control Protocol to govern the phased reopening of churches,

→ **Liturgical Norms**
Will create new liturgical advice to govern the celebration of Mass and other sacraments

OUR DIOCESE

We will folow the the health and safety protocols issued by BCOS in line with Government guidance

☑ PREPARING NOW

We are busy preparing support for our parishes ahead of restrictions being lifted.

☑ INFORMED CLERGY

Archbishop Cushley is keeping our priests updated with guidance from BCOS ahead of Phase 2.

☑ HELP YOUR PARISH

Your parish priest will need volunteers to assist when churches reopen. Please support him!

THE BRUNCH CLUB @

During the COVID19 crisis The Brunch Club @ home can deliver a two course meal (cooked and chilled for reheating) – and maybe some extra goodies! – to elderly, vulnerable and isolated people in our community. There is no charge for this service but there will be an oportunity to donate later when it is safe to do so.

Deliveries will be made by our kind volunteer group.

If you know anyone who could benefit from this please do let them know.

All you need to do is phone once to register and let us take it from there.

Steps to register

1. Call our hotline on 07926 172029 (this number is also on Polbeth Hubs support leaflet). Leave a message if no one answers with the following info: name, address and contact telephone

2. Someone will call you back to confirm details and then we will call every Friday for the following weeks order

Your chilled meal will be delivered between 11.30 and 1pm each day.

All meals will come in microwavable tubs that are re-usable so please wash them and leave them out when you get your next meal. These will be sterilised and reused if possible.

Like you, we don't know exactly what's around the corner and things might change depending on government guidelines and demand but we are committed to doing as much as we can and will keep you posted regularly.

Thanks and be safe.

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

~~**Our Lady & St.Bridget's church is open daily from 9am-6pm**~~

~~**Confessions**~~
~~Wednesday 6-6.50pm, Saturday 4.30-5.00pm, Sunday 9.30-9.50~~
~~**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**~~
~~Wednesday 6-7pm~~
~~**Rosary:** Before Mass every first Sunday of the month~~
~~**Chaplet to the Divine Mercy**~~
~~Wednesdays before evening Mass~~
~~**Sick & housebound**~~
~~Every first week of the month and on request~~
~~**Children's Liturgy**~~
~~Last Sunday of every month~~
~~**Tea&Coffee** after Mass 1st Sunday of the month in the Community Centre~~
Called to give-Collection

Bonus Ball No.

Parish newsletter is availably also on our website and via 'The catholic app' for smartphones.