



## E-bulletin for Pastoral Resources November 2011 No.16

### A WORD FROM THE CARDINAL

My dear Friends,

As we move into the month of November we take time to remember the saints we have known, those we have loved and have passed on their faith to us, a faith that continues to give us life. As we recall those who have lived out their baptism to the full this encourages us to respond more fully to our own call to become saints of the 21st century.



In the month ahead, of course, we look forward initially to celebrating the Feast of our National Patron, St Andrew, on St Andrew's Day (30<sup>th</sup> November) in our Cathedral, with a concelebrated Mass, led by myself, at 12.45pm. Following on the Mass, there will be a cheese and wine reception for all those who are able to attend this national celebration.

The season of Advent continues from Sunday 27th November 2011, the First Sunday of Advent. You are reminded, of course, that this is the Sunday when the new translation of the Missal is fully implemented, not only in Scotland, but across the English speaking world. Over the past few weeks I am sure you have become familiar with certain parts and also with the instruction on our 'postures', namely when we stand, sit and kneel etc during Mass. I appreciate that it will take some time to become familiar with all that is involved - but, of course, our hoped for end result is quite simply that we will increase in our union with Christ himself and with one another through our celebrations.

To help increase our devotion also, there will be an increased emphasis on Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the months which lie ahead, leading up to the 50th International Eucharistic Congress to be held in Dublin from the Feast of Corpus Christi, Sunday 10 June 2012 until the following Sunday, 17 June 2012. Further information about pilgrimages to Dublin for this event, and increased opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration in our Archdiocese, will be indicated in your parishes and through the E-bulletin.

Further, in the month ahead there are a variety of opportunities in our Archdiocese to continue to grow in our understanding of our faith and to deepen our faith journey by availing of what's on offer from the Pastoral Agencies of our Archdiocese, among these are:

- The continuing formation of parish catechists and teachers focusing on the sacraments
- Opportunities to take time out in retreat and regain our energies for service
- Widening participation in the work of Justice and Peace through the Just Church Course in deaneries
- Supporting our parishes as we move towards the full implementation of the revised mass texts on November 27th

This month we will also celebrate the national launch of 'THIS IS OUR FAITH', strengthening provision for the teaching of Religious Education in our Catholic Schools.

Our Archdiocesan Agencies are continuing to develop the recommendations of the CIC Report, which is now available online from our Archdiocesan website for all teachers, catechists and parents as we pass on our faith to the next generation.

May God indeed bless all in our Archdiocese at this time, as we prepare for the season of Advent and a worthy celebration of the great Feast of Christmas.

Yours sincerely in Christ,



+ Keith Patrick Cardinal O'Brien  
Archbishop of St. Andrews & Edinburgh

## Revised Mass Text Resources

### Revised Mass Resources

All resources are being ordered from the Catholic Truth Society at the following web address:

<http://www.cts-online.org.uk>

### Web Resources for the New Mass

You can visit these on the archdiocesan website, these include PowerPoint presentations and catechesis leaflets for parishes. Here is a link:

<http://www.archdiocese-edinburgh.com/index.php/pastoral-resources/new-mass-texts-resources>.

For any other support with the revised mass texts please contact [patricia.carroll@staned.org.uk](mailto:patricia.carroll@staned.org.uk)

## Adult Faith Formation

### Children's Liturgy Workshops

As we move into the new liturgical year there will be Children's Liturgy Workshops orientating parish leaders for the year ahead. These are the available dates so far:

- 16<sup>th</sup> November, 7pm - 8.30pm at St. Kentigern's Barnton, this is open to ALL Children's Liturgy Leaders in the Deanery of St. Giles
- 28<sup>th</sup> November, 7pm - 8.30pm at St. Andrews Livingston, this is open to ALL Children's Liturgy Leaders in St. Mary's Deanery



SUGGESTED DONATION of £5 per person for the booklet. Please register by e-mail at: [yvonne.fleming@staned.org.uk](mailto:yvonne.fleming@staned.org.uk) or call 0131 623 8903.

### Theology for Catechesis

This series of workshops continues with the 'Signs of God'. These workshops build on the 'This is Our Faith' syllabus and focuses on the Sacraments. Led by Patricia Carroll. To register e-mail [yvonne.fleming@staned.org.uk](mailto:yvonne.fleming@staned.org.uk) or call 0131 623 8903.

### Signs of God Workshop Dates & Times:



| Deanery                   | Date                                    | Venue                     | Time              |
|---------------------------|---|---------------------------|-------------------|
| St. Giles                 | Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2011    | Gillis Centre, Edinburgh  | 7.00 – 9.00       |
| St. Margaret & St. Andrew | Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2011 | St. Michael's, Linlithgow | 10.30am – 12.30pm |

## Parish Retreats 2012

All Lent and Easter dates for parish retreats are now fully booked. If you would like to book a Parish Retreat after Easter please contact Patricia as soon as possible about possible dates.

## Youth Ministry

'THE COMING of the LORD' DAY of REFLECTION

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2011

10.30am - 3.30pm at the Gillis Centre, led by Patricia Carroll

For all those with involved in Youth Ministry, this is an opportunity to take time for yourself and replenish your energies, a time to stand back from the hectic Christmas preparation and discover the light within.

To register e-mail [yvonne.fleming@staned.org.uk](mailto:yvonne.fleming@staned.org.uk) or call 0131 623 8903.



Cookery Demonstration with Edinburgh Chef Paul Rogerson

Lauriston Centre, Lauriston Street, EH3 9DJ

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2011 at 7.00pm



Following the success of our last Cookery Evening with Paul come along and join in the fun at the Lauriston Centre. Paul will be demonstrating how to cook various things with a Christmas theme. There will also be a raffle and stalls on the night.

Sports Ministry Training

Weekend of 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> November 2011

Carronvale House, Larbert



Gain new coaching skills, qualifications; explore how to use sport in your church, organisation or community; meet with others who share a passion for sport and faith. Cost is £70 per delegate or £120 for two delegates from the same parish. This includes accommodation, meals and training. Contact [alan.gray@yfc.co.uk](mailto:alan.gray@yfc.co.uk) or [chris2014@presbyteryofglasgow.org.uk](mailto:chris2014@presbyteryofglasgow.org.uk) or telephone 07748675656 or 0141 332 6606

## Marriage and Family Life

Would your parish, cluster or deanery like to establish or give support to their existing ministry to engaged couples, married couples and families? Several training opportunities will be available in the autumn to help build marriage and family life teams throughout the diocese. Please contact [sally.mcelroy@staned.org.uk](mailto:sally.mcelroy@staned.org.uk) (0131 623 8919) who can offer a number of resources/support in this area.



**FOCCUS Sessions for Couples Considering Marriage**

So that your dream wedding turns into a great marriage SMC (Scottish Marriage Care) offers an enjoyable two part FOCCUS programme. It is based upon current research about the key elements in a successful relationship and aims to help you both learn more about yourselves and your unique relationship. FOCCUS is a special opportunity to take time out from the whirl of wedding preparation to celebrate the strengths and opportunities in your future life together. To book the FOCCUS programme please call: 0845 271 2711. More information is available from Sally McElroy.

## Justice & Peace

### Just Church - Prestonpans

Just Church has been successfully run in Kirkcaldy over the last few weeks and is underway in Prestonpans. If you are interested in running this course in your deanery please don't hesitate to contact the Archdiocesan Justice & Peace Coordinator, Miriam McHardy on [Miriam.mchardy@staned.org.uk](mailto:Miriam.mchardy@staned.org.uk) or call 0131 623 8922.



### 6 Days Against Gendered Based Violence Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November - Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2011

This international awareness event aims to highlight violence against women, in all its forms, throughout the world. As a caring Christian community we have a responsibility to speak out against such abuse, in all its forms, and offer our support and help to those who are suffering. Please include the helpline number in your parish newsletters or on websites:

**Scottish Domestic Abuse Helpline (24 hour) 0800 027 1234**

### Prisoners Sunday

20<sup>th</sup> November 2011 - 'Do you see me, or are you just looking?'

On the third Sunday of November we traditionally remember and pray for those who are in prison or whose lives are affected by imprisonment - families, friends, children and victims of crime. For more information on how you can support & promote please follow this link [www.prisonadvice.org.uk](http://www.prisonadvice.org.uk) or e-mail [info@prisonadvice.org.uk](mailto:info@prisonadvice.org.uk)

## Archdiocesan Pastoral Council

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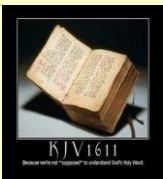
The next meeting is on November 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Gillis Centre. If you are a member and unable to attend please let the APC secretary know as soon as possible.

## Around the Diocese.....



### Ignation Spirituality Centre , Glasgow - New Events Programme

ISC have released their new programme of events for 2011 - 2012. They offer courses in prayer and spiritual accompaniment, evening and day events, residential retreats and daily retreats. More details are on the website at [www.iscglasgow.co.uk](http://www.iscglasgow.co.uk)



### Two opportunities to celebrate the anniversary (400 years) of King James Version

'The Kings Word' Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 6-8pm, Edinburgh University, Playfair Library, Old College, South Bridge. For more information:

[www.businessmattersedinburgh.com/other-events/](http://www.businessmattersedinburgh.com/other-events/)

**Annual Day of Ecumenical Reflection: 'The Bible - the Book and the making of Books'.** Sacred Heart Hall, 28 Lauriston Street, Edinburgh at 12.00pm. Starting with a shared lunch, please bring a packed lunch, the first session starts at 1pm. Suggested donation of £6. For more information contact Paddy Ferry on 0131 317 1387



**St. Patricks Vespers Choir** no longer has a musical director and is looking for a volunteer to conduct sung vespers and benediction on the first Sunday of every month with rehearsals in between. Experience of conducting would be helpful. If interested please call Jane at St. Patricks Parish office on 0131 556 1973.



**Lauriston Jesuit Centre**

The Jesuit Centre has released dates on a new series: Scripture and the Great Religions. Please check their website for all the details [www.lauriston.org.uk](http://www.lauriston.org.uk) or call 0131 477 5788



**Christmas Carol Concert - in aid of Lifeline**  
**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December, 7.30pm at Christ Church, Morningside.**

Featuring the Toccata Ladies Choir. Tickets are £7 and include wine. Tickets are available from the Lifeline Office call 0131 557 2060 or e-mail [info@lifelinescotland.org.uk](mailto:info@lifelinescotland.org.uk)



**Pray Love Remember: Quiet day of Ignation reflection**

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November, 10.30am - 3.30pm. Please bring a packed lunch Holy Trinity Church, Haddington. Led by the Lantern Group. Please register by e-mailing [jstein@handseypress.org.uk](mailto:jstein@handseypress.org.uk) or call 01620 824896



**Of One Mind and One Voice: Christians and Life Issues**

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm at St. Mary's Cathedral Hall (beside Café Camino)**

Dr. Patrick Kearns, past Chairman of the Scottish Catholic Medical Association and member of the ALIVE pro-life group at St. Michael's RC Church, Linlithgow, discusses why all Christians have an obligation to be actively Pro-Life. No charge, all denominations welcome.



**St. Mary Magdalene's Parish - 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

St. Mary Magdalene's parish is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 4pm with a special thanksgiving led by Cardinal O'Brien. All are welcome especially former parishioners and friends.



**Vocations Mass - Little Sisters of the Poor, Gilmore Place**

There will be no vocations mass from November to February inclusive. Please watch the e-bulletin for information on the next one.

**Next Issue.....**

If you have any items about pastoral events in the Archdiocese and would like them in the next e-bulletin please send them by email to [yvonne.fleming@staned.org.uk](mailto:yvonne.fleming@staned.org.uk) by **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2011.**



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