



Pastoral Resources E-bulletin – Issue No: 20

A WORD FROM THE CARDINAL

My dear Friends,



I do hope that you have had very prayerful and fruitful celebrations of our liturgies during this Holy Week and Easter. Having celebrated as usual all our liturgies for Holy Week in the Cathedral, I can certainly say that the congregations were even larger than usual and I myself was more than edified at the way in which they were celebrated.

Since Holy Week, of particular concern was the health of our deacon, **Reverend Graham Turner** who, as you know, had been suffering from leukemia and consequently, his ordination to the priesthood had been deferred from Wednesday 29 June 2011. Following on his serious deterioration in health, I was able to ordain Graham to the priesthood on Easter Monday, 9 April 2012; he died peacefully the following Monday 16 April 2012; and I celebrated a Requiem Mass in his home Parish in Bolton on Monday 23 April 2012, followed by his funeral Mass and burial on Tuesday 24 April 2012. May God grant him eternal rest and strengthen

his parents and family.

I also remind you to pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Father David Barr**, parish priest of St Margaret's, Dunfermline, who died on 13 April 2012 and was buried in Dunfermline on Friday 20 April 2012. David had, as you know, recently celebrated the 40th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood and was leading a very full and active ministry when he was suddenly called to his eternal reward. Pray also for **Father Patrick Kelly**, who recently lived in retirement with the Little Sisters of the Poor in Edinburgh. Pat had been ordained a priest for some 53 years and died peacefully with the Little Sisters on Sunday 15 April 2012 and was buried from Holy Name Parish, Oakley on Wednesday 25 April 2012.

We have had much joy in our diocese since then, with the announcement from Rome that our Holy Father has appointed **Monsignor Stephen Robson as Auxiliary Bishop of our Archdiocese**. Stephen chose the Feast of St Columba, **Saturday 9 June 2012** as the date of his Episcopal Ordination in our Metropolitan Cathedral at **1.00 pm**. We look forward to a very happy and joyful celebration of ordination of our new Auxiliary Bishop. Please add his name in the Eucharistic Prayer after my name, according to rubrics.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

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

Adult Faith Formation



Following a successful day at Broxburn on Monday 28th where over 150 representatives from schools and parishes gathered to reflect on the findings of the diocesan CIC review. Resources were made available for all parishes and schools with templates for the preparatory rites and parent sessions as requested by those that took part in the review. These include PowerPoint presentations and are now available on the Archdiocesan website at the following link <http://www.rcstated.org.uk/index.php/pastoral-resources/pastoral-resources>

PASS IT ON
Saturday 23rd June 2012 at 11am - 4pm
Gillis Centre, Edinburgh

An Archdiocesan day for all Catechists and those who share faith. The day will consider how to support parents to share their faith, how to support parishes to deliver RCIA, how to focus on evangelisation and the Year of Faith.

Commissioning of Catechists
Friday 17th August 2012 at 6pm
Gillis Centre, Edinburgh

All Catechists who have completed the Archdiocesan Theology for Catechists programme will be commissioned by the Cardinal for this ministry in the Gillis Chapel, where there will also be a celebration of Mass. Please contact yvonne.fleming@stated.org.uk to register your attendance, however invites will follow.

Youth Ministry



EXPO

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION for and with Young People

Last chance to experience EXPO, come along to Falkirk and join in.

**St Francis Xavier's,
Falkirk**

**Sunday 10th June (Corpus
Christi)**

Mass at 7pm

New Dawn in Scotland

Catholic Family Conference, 2nd - 6th July 2012, St. Andrews, Madras College, Kilrymont Road

Conference Theme: "Is this the time for you to live in panelled houses, when this house lies in ruins?" Haggai 1:4-10. Daily Mass, Reconciliation, Teaching & Healing. To find out more call New Dawn on 0131 447 6153 or check out the website on www.newdawninScotland.com

YOUTH ROCK

Thursday 28th June at 7pm

St. Peter's Parish, Morningside www.stpetersrcchurchedinburgh.org.uk

The Youth Group are having a Youth Mass to celebrate their Parish Feast (Feast of St. Peter & Paul, 29th June). They invite all young people from neighbouring and other parishes to join them for this celebration. Youth Rock is a group of young people from S1-S6 who meet to discuss their views, play music and enjoy each other's company. More meetings of the group will follow.

The University of Notre Dame Folk Choir in Edinburgh

1st - 3rd June 2012 at various venues in Edinburgh and St. Mary's Cathedral.

More information can be found on the Archdiocesan website about the programme of events organised. Click here to read more: <http://www.rcstaned.org.uk/index.php/test/437-university-of-notre-dame-folk-choir>

SAVIO: Looking for a new direction for the next academic year? Savio are recruiting for a few more people to join their expanding youth and community gap year team with the Salesians at Savio House. More information can be found at <http://www.savioinformation.com/Volunteer.html> or find them on facebook.

Marriage and Family Life

Marriage Catechist Training

The marriage catechist's training course will run in Gillis in Edinburgh this autumn. The training consists of four Saturdays, and participants study all aspects of Church teaching on the Sacrament of Marriage as well as how to work with engaged couples.

When they have completed the course, the catechists are a skilled and knowledgeable resource in a parish or cluster - able to be part of the pastoral support currently offered to married couples and families and to help it flourish in their local church.

Individuals and married couples are welcome on the course, however because of the nature of the work, they must be chosen or endorsed by their parish priest.

The dates are as follows:- Saturday 13th October 2012: Saturday 27th October 2012 Saturday 17th November 2012 and Saturday 1st December 2012 starting at 10.30am and finishing at 3.30pm. If you would like more information about this course, or if I can help with any other matter related to marriage and family life, please get in touch. Sally.mcelroy@staned.org.uk

Justice & Peace

Volunteers Needed - Church Action on Poverty - Summer Festivals

Volunteers are needed for summer festivals to support the campaign 'Close the Gap'. Full training will be provided for all volunteers and each volunteer receives a free ticket to attend the whole festival in return for working one or two shifts on their stall each day. Festivals are: **Soul Survivor Momentum, Somerset, 17-21 August & Greenbelt, Cheltenham, 24-27 August.** Contact liamp@church-poverty.org.uk if you would like to volunteer.

Ordinations

Bishop-Elect Stephen Robson will be ordained as Auxiliary Bishop of our Archdiocese.

Saturday 9th June 2012, 1pm at St. Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh on the Feast of St. Columba.

Deacon Jeremy Milne & Deacon John Deighan will be ordained to the Priesthood for our Archdiocese.

Saturday 30th June, 11.00am at St. Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh.

Sunday 1st July at St. Marie's, Kirkcaldy

Fr. John Deighan will celebrate his first Holy Mass in his home parish at 10.00am (note earlier time) and it will be followed by a reception in the parish hall. All local parishes are invited to join us for this special occasion. Details can be found online at <http://www.salvatorians.co.uk> where there is a link to St. Marie's home page.

Please pray for Mgr. Stephen and Deacons Jeremy and John as they prepare in these days ahead

Safeguarding News

For more than one year now there have been ongoing conversations and discussions about the restructuring of our Archdiocesan Safeguarding Committees. In the new arrangements for the revised structure, the following newly-named groups will be constituted:

1. **Cardinal's Advisory Body:** this will be my own personal reference group, with the following members: Frank Gill - Civil Lawyer; Bishop-Elect Stephen Robson - Canon Lawyer; Martin Henry - Cardinal's Safeguarding Advisor. This group will meet and consult as and when needed.
2. **Archdiocesan Safeguarding Advisory Group:** this group will advise Martin Henry and Liz Carty from our Archdiocesan Safeguarding Office, on Medium to High Risk situations that arise. Members will be: Martin Henry - Chair and Convener of group; Jackie Conway; Maria Dick; Liz Carty. This group will meet three times a year.
3. **Safeguarding Development Group:** this group will advise on Low Risk situations and will forward practical initiatives. Membership comprises of: Jackie McCaig - National Coordinator for the National Office for the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults; Patricia Carroll - Chair and Convener of group; Liz Carty; and Anne Johnstone. This group will meet three times per year.

Further, with regard to each of these groups, the External Consultant on Canonical Matters will be Bishop-Elect Stephen Robson; and the External Consultant on Provision for Offenders will be Monsignor Allan Chambers, Catholic Chaplain to Edinburgh Prison.

Around the Diocese.....and beyond!



50th International Eucharistic Congress:

The 50th International Eucharistic Congress takes place in Dublin from Sunday 10 June 2012 (Corpus Christi) until Sunday 17 June 2012. As you know, five of the members of our Bishops' Conference, including Cardinal O'Brien, will be present at the Eucharistic Congress - along with lay pilgrims under the pastoral care of our National Delegate to the Eucharistic Congress, Bishop-Elect Stephen Robson. **Please pray for the on-going success of this Congress - and for the Church in Ireland.**



Please note the talks at **Lauriston Jesuit Centre** on five successive dates - making up the first part of a two-part series marking the 50th anniversary of the Second Vatican Council. The dates are 29 May; 5 June; 12 June; 19 June; and 26 June 2012. The second half of the series will begin in September and October 2012. The talks will be on Tuesday evenings at 7.30 pm in the Lauriston Jesuit Centre, 28 Lauriston Street, Edinburgh, EH3 9DJ. More information can be obtained from Father James Crampsey SJ at:

j.crampsey@lauriston.org.uk or 0131-477 5788.



SPRED Catechist Retreat
Sunday 17th June 2012, 10:30am - 4:30pm
Gillis Centre, Edinburgh

The Catechist Retreat will be led by Sr. Brenda Matterson DC, Hull North Yorkshire.



Commissioning Mass
28th August 2012 at 7pm
Gillis Centre, Edinburgh

For further information on any SPRED events contact Cecilia.dowd@staned.org.uk or call 0131 667 9202



Theological Conference at Leeds Trinity University College: a major international Catholic Theological Conference entitled 'Vatican II, Fifty Years on: The New Evangelisation' takes place at Leeds Trinity between 26 and 29 June 2012. For more information about his conference (with the full cost being £275) please contact Leeds Trinity University College (Monsignor Paul Grogan, Chaplain); tel: 0113 283 7325.



Scalan Association - Annual Pilgrimage: The annual pilgrimage with Mass at the old seminary of Scalan in the Braes of Glenlivet takes place on Sunday 1 July 2012 at 4.00 pm. Perhaps you could inform your parishioners about this annual event. The Scalan Association is active in keeping the house in good condition and promoting knowledge of it in Scotland and abroad. For further information contact Father Michael Briody, St Michael's, 133 Glenmanor Avenue, Moodiesburn, G69 0DL.



Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2012

The 2012 Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 6 to 12 July 2012 lead by Cardinal O'Brien. Costs are likely to be around £750. Details from Access travel, 6 The Hillock, Astley, Manchester M29 7GW, (www.access-travel.co.uk). Enquiries about sick pilgrimage to the Booking Secretary, 61 Hailes Gardens, Edinburgh, EH13 0JN, 0131 441 1939.



Historic Visit to Scotland for His Holiness the Dalai Lama

Thursday 21st June - Sunday 24th June 2012

For lots of information on planned events for the Dalai Lama's tour, visit www.dalailamascotland.org or www.facebook.com/DalaiLamaScotland



National Conference of Priest and Permanent Deacons of Scotland (NCPDPS) Annual Conference

18th - 20th September 2012, Conforti Institute, Coatbridge.

Keynote speaker: Mgr. Paul Watson & 'This is Your Faith' Speaker - Michael McGrath (S.C.E.S)
Early booking is advisable.

www.confortiinstitute.org or www.ncppds.org.uk

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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 by **Friday 29th June 2012**.



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