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Seven Sorrows of Our Blessed Lady

In the year 1233 seven holy men of noble birth withdrew from the city of Florence into the solitude of Mount Senario to found the Order called the 'Servants of Mary' know today as the 'Servites'. The object of their institution was the meditation on the bitter pains Our Lady suffered in the Life, Passion, and Death of her Son Jesus, and to promote it amongst Christian people. One of the devout practices they made use of for their purpose was a Chaplet of Rosary of seven divisions, in remembrance of the seven principal Dolours of the Blessed Virgin, which were to form the subject of the reciter's meditation according to his ability.



The chaplet is one of the most highly indulgenced devotions in the Church and, according to St Alphonsus de Liguori, those who are devoted to the sorrows of Mary are promised great graces. These include protection from the temptations of the enemy at the hour of death, very shortened or suspended sentences in purgatory and the promise of heaven to those who propagate the devotion.

1. The First Sorrow, when Mary, Virgin Mother of my God, presented Jesus, her only Son, in the Temple, laid Him in the arms of holy aged Simeon and heard his prophetic word, "*The sword of grief shall pierce thy soul,*" foretelling thereby the Passion and Death of her Son Jesus. **(St Luke 2:21-35)**
2. The Second Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin was when she was obliged to fly into Egypt by reason of the persecution of cruel Herod, who impiously sought to slay her well-beloved Son. **(St Matthew 2:12-18)**
3. The Third Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin was when, after gone up to Jerusalem at the Paschal Feast with Joseph her spouse and Jesus her dear Son, she lost Him on the way back to her poor house, and for three days bewailed the loss of her beloved only Son. **(St Luke 2:41-51)**
4. The Fourth Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin was when she met her dear Son Jesus carting on His tender shoulders the heavy cross whereon He was to be crucified for our salvation. **(St Luke 23:26-31)**
5. The Fifth Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin was when she saw her Son Jesus raised upon the hard tree of the cross, and blood flowing forth from every part of His Sacred Body; and then beheld Him die after three hours agony. **(St John 19:23-30)**
6. The Sixth Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin was when she saw the lance pierce the Sacred side of Jesus, her beloved Son, the nails withdrawn, and his holy Body laid in the purest bosom. **(St John 19:31-40)**
7. The Seventh and last Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin, Queen and Advocate of us her servants, miserable sinners, was when she saw the Holy Body of her Son buried in the grave. **(St John 19:38-42)**

*Pray for us Virgin most sorrowful
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ*

Afternoon Tea

St Mary's Social Committee are hosting an Afternoon Tea on ***Sunday 14th November at 2pm*** in the clubrooms. Tickets will go on sale at Masses from 9th /10th October 2021. Tickets are priced £9 and this includes afternoon tea with Prosecco. It is recommended to get your tickets early as this event is usually sold out quickly.



The Clubrooms Email Address

In recent weeks we have experienced many problems with the existing Clubrooms email system. It has resulted in us having to change the Clubrooms email address. To book the Clubrooms or to make an inquiry please contact:



theclubrooms@outlook.com

St Mary's 300 Club

This Sunday, 3rd October, sees the start of a new 300 Club year. There are limited numbers still available. The weekly cost is £1 per number. **The weekly winner receives £100 prize money.** Subscription can be paid by bank transfer, standing order, or by putting your name on an envelope, marking it as '300 Club' and putting it in the collection basket along with your weekly offering. All monies received go towards the high insurance cost for St Mary's. For more information please call Patricia 01555 662089.

Thank You

As we enter mid-autumn and the gardening season begins to draw to a close, and the grass finally begins to slow down, Fr John-Paul would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who so kindly looked after St Mary's grounds during the summer months. It has been wonderful to see so many people volunteer their time, weekly, to keep the church grounds looking so good! Fr John-Paul would also like to thank those who so generously volunteered their time in maintaining St Mary's Cemetery. This year we had to establish three groups of volunteers who cut the cemetery grass every week and made sure it was looking its best. These are all signs of what a great parish St Mary's is, and how blessed we are with volunteers!! God reward you all.



St Mary's Primary School Masses



It is with great joy that we are able to welcome the children from St Mary's Primary School back to Mass. The children will join us during the Friday's of October: Friday 1st October P1/2 & P7; Friday 8th October P2/3 & P6; Friday 22nd October P3/4 & P4/5. If you have children at the school why not make a special effort to come to Mass with the children and encourage them in their faith.

Liturgical Calendar

Monday 4th October St Francis of Assisi - Born in Assisi (Italy) in 1181 or 1182; died nearby on 3 October 1226. The carefree son of a wealthy merchant who gave up his inheritance to embrace utter poverty. Under a simple gospel rule, he and his Friars Minor were authorised to be mendicant preachers. His "Canticle of the Sun" captures his lyrical spirit and sense of oneness with all creatures. An outstanding example of the beatitude "Blessed are the poor in spirit." At the end of his life he bore in his flesh the marks of Christ's suffering. Noted for preaching the poor and crucified Christ in both word and deed.

Wednesday 6th October St Bruno - Born in Cologne (Germany) about 1032; died in Calabria (Italy) on this day in 1101. Professor at the cathedral school of Rheims, appointed chancellor of the diocese who helped to reform the clergy. Founded the Carthusian order of hermits at Chartreuse near Grenoble. Called by his former pupil Urban II to assist in Rome for a time, he subsequently established a second Charterhouse in Calabria, noted for poverty, solitude, and penance.

Thursday 7th October Our Lady of the Rosary - This commemoration was established in 1573 in thanksgiving for a Christian victory over the Ottoman forces at Lepanto. It entered the general calendar in the eighteenth century. It is a memorial of the Virgin Mary as honoured in the rosary, a form of prayer combining the salutation of the angel (Luke 1:28) with meditation on the saving mysteries of Christ. Originally the rosary was the laity's "psalter" with the Hail Marys replacing the 150 psalms.



Please Pray For The Following:



Recently Dead - Anne Campbell Wellgate
Anna Clemmitt (Kent); John Leslie (Carluke); Rosaleen Mournian (Hamilton).

Months Minds & Anniversaries - Father Joseph Brannigan; The Monteith Family; Thomas Bowie; Jim McShane; Paul Halloran; Mary Tait; Dick McKeown (Hamilton); The Higgins Family.

Mass Intention Envelopes - It is lovely to receive so many Months Minds and Anniversary Masses for those who have died. Having Mass said for a loved one, either dead or alive, is one of the best things we can do for them. In order to “simplify” this process, Fr John-Paul has had Mass Intention Envelopes produced in order to make sure names as listed correctly in the bulletin. The new Mass Intention Envelopes are easy to use and can be found at the stall, on the table as you enter/exit the church or in the sacristy. We hope they are helpful.

Student Priest Collection

On behalf of Bishop Toal and the Diocese of Motherwell we thank all those who so generously donated to the Student Priest Fund Collection, during the month of September. What a phenomenal response from the parishioners in St Mary’s and St Mary Magdalene’s. It was, however, a very disappointing response from the parishioners of St Isidore’s Biggar.



October Special Collection

Traditionally October is the month when we offer our prayerful and financial support for the work of the Church in mission lands. During the month of October a collection basket will be available at the back of our churches for those who would like to donate to Missio Scotland, the Pope’s official charity for overseas mission.



Parish Finances

St Mary’s

Offertory Collection:	£	970.00
Standing Orders:	£	104.00
Student Priest Collection	£	720.00

Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish.
For those who wish to pay Bank Transfer or Standing Order please find the relevant details below.

St Isidore’s

Offertory Collection:	£	121.80
Standing Orders:	£	60.00
<i>(Including St Mary Magdalene’s)</i>		
Student Priest Collection	£	3.00

St Marys Mission RCDM 80-17-02 00265809

Parish of St Isidore’s 83-16-11 00235026

St Mary Magdalene’s

Offertory Collection:	£	75.00
Student Priest Collection	£	63.10

St Mary’s Ministry Rota

Readers:

2nd/3rd October

5.00pm	J. Moynagh
10.30am	M. Hughes
5.00pm	S. Casserly

16th/17th October

5.00pm	A. Haetzman
10.30am	E. McCabe
5.00pm	S. Casserly

9th/10th October

5.00pm	G. Abernethy
10.30am	P. Roberts
5.00pm	M. Davis

23rd/24th October

5.00pm	J. Moynagh
10.30am	S. Watson
5.00pm	M. Davis

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

2nd/3rd October

5.00pm	A. Dempsey
	J. McClafferty
10.30am	G. Duddy
	C. Duddy

16th/17th October

5.00pm	P. Freel
	C. Scott
10.30am	P. Cunningham
	J. Wilson

9th/10th October

5.00pm	P. Stewart
	C. McClafferty
10.30am	M. Keenan
	A. Cruikshank

23rd/24th October

5.00pm	J. McEwan
	M. Keenan
10.30am	J. McAlavey
	T. Mullen

Weekly Parish Schedule

Sunday 3rd October

- 10.00am** **TRANSPORT LEAVES ST MARY MAGDALENE'S**
10.30am Holy Mass for the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (St Mary's)
11.15am **Coffee Morning - (St Mary's Clubrooms)**
12noon Holy Mass for the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (St Isidore's)
12.35pm **Tea, Coffee & Home Baking (St Isidore's)**
5.00pm Holy Mass for the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (St Mary's)
6.00pm **Evening Prayer & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament St Mary's (Livestream)**

Monday 4th October

- 9.10am Holy Rosary (St Mary's)
9.30am Holy Mass (St Mary's)

Tuesday 5th October

- 10.00am Holy Rosary (St Mary Magdalene's)
10.30am Holy Mass (St Mary Magdalene's)
11.40am Holy Rosary (St Mary's)
12noon Angelus & Holy Mass (St Mary's)
7.00pm **October Devotions St Mary's (Livestream)**
7.30pm **RCIA Volunteers Meeting (St Mary's Presbytery)**

Wednesday 6th October

- 9.10am Holy Rosary (St Mary's)
9.30am Holy Mass (St Mary's)
7.00pm **Weekly Rosary Group (Zoom: ID 828 0546 0960 Passcode 638016)**

Thursday 7th October

- 9.10am Holy Rosary (St Mary's)
9.30am Holy Mass (St Mary's)
NO MASS TODAY IN ST ISIDORE'S

Friday 8th October

- 9.10am Holy Rosary (St Mary's)
9.30am Holy Mass (St Mary's)

Saturday 9th October

- 9.10am Holy Rosary (St Mary's)
9.30am Holy Mass (St Mary's)
5.00pm **Vigil Mass for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (St Mary's)**

Sunday 10th October

- 8.30am** Holy Rosary for Vocations to the Priesthood (St Mary Magdalene's)
9.00am Holy Mass for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (St Mary Magdalene's)
10.30am Holy Mass for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (St Mary's)
12noon Holy Mass for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (St Isidore's)
5.00pm Holy Mass for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (St Mary's)
6.00pm **Evening Prayer & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament St Mary's (Livestream)**

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Our new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be commissioned this weekend during weekend Masses. The Rite of Commission will last a few minutes.



Clydesdale Foodbank Collection

Thank you very much for your generosity last weekend to the Clydesdale Foodbank. We collected **£385** and **12 bags** of groceries. What a great contribution to our local community. God bless your continued generosity and support.

