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2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 17TH JANUARY 2021

Archbishop Philip Tartaglia

The Archbishop of Glasgow, Philip Tartaglia, has died suddenly at his home in Glasgow. He was 70 years old. Archbishop Tartaglia, who had served as Archbishop of Glasgow since 2012, had tested positive for COVID 19 shortly after Christmas and was self-isolating at home. The cause of death is not yet clear.

The Archbishop had served as leader of Scotland's largest Catholic community since 2012. The Pope's Ambassador to Great Britain, Archbishop Claudio Gugerotti has been informed. It will be for Pope Francis to appoint a new Archbishop to succeed Archbishop Tartaglia, but until then the Archdiocese will be overseen by an administrator.

Philip Tartaglia was born at Glasgow on 11th January 1951. He is the eldest son of Guido and Annita Tartaglia and had three brothers and five sisters. After his primary schooling at St. Thomas', Riddrie, he began his secondary education at St. Mungo's Academy, Glasgow, before moving to the national junior seminary at St. Vincent's College, Langbank and, later, St. Mary's College, Blairs, Aberdeen. His ecclesiastical studies were completed at the Pontifical Scots College, and the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome.

He was ordained Priest by then-Archbishop Thomas Winning in the Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Dennistoun on 30th June 1975. He then returned to Rome to study for his Doctorate in Sacred Theology. On completing his Doctorate in 1980, he was appointed assistant priest at Our Lady of Lourdes, Cardonald, while at the same time becoming visiting lecturer at St. Peter's College, Newlands, Glasgow.

A year later, he was appointed Lecturer at St. Peter's College, Newlands, becoming Director of Studies in 1983. When Chesters College, Bearsden, opened in 1985 he was made Vice-Rector. In 1987 he was appointed Rector. He served as Rector until 1993 when he was appointed to St. Patrick's, Dumbarton, as Assistant Priest before being appointed Parish Priest of St. Mary's, Duntocher in 1995. In 2004, the Bishops' Conference appointed him Rector of the Pontifical Scots College, Rome.

On 13th September 2005, Pope Benedict XVI nominated him Bishop of Paisley. On 20 November 2005, he was ordained Bishop in St Mirin's Cathedral by Archbishop Mario Conti who he was to succeed as Archbishop of Glasgow

On 24th July 2012, Bishop Tartaglia was appointed Archbishop of Glasgow and was installed at St Andrew's Cathedral, Glasgow, on Saturday 8th September 2012, the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. He died on January 13 2021, the Feast of St Mungo, the Patron Saint of Glasgow.

*St Mungo pray for him
Requiescat in pace*



Weekly Mass Schedule

Sunday 17th January

10.30am Holy Mass for the 2nd Sunday In Ordinary Time
12noon Holy Mass for the 2nd Sunday In Ordinary Time
5.00pm Sunday Evening Devotions

Monday 18th January

9.30am Holy Mass
6.00pm Angelus & Recitation of The Holy Rosary

Tuesday 19th January

12noon Angelus & Holy Mass
6.00pm Evening Prayer of The Church

Wednesday 20th January

9.30am Holy Mass
6.00pm Adoration and Benediction of The Most Blessed Sacrament (30mins)

Thursday 21st January

9.30am Holy Mass
6.00pm Novena in Honour of St Joseph

Friday 22nd January

9.30am Holy Mass
3.00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

Saturday 23rd January

9.30am Holy Mass
12noon Angelus and Recitation of The Holy Rosary

Sunday 24th January

10.30am Holy Mass for the 3rd Sunday In Ordinary Time
12noon Holy Mass for the 3rd Sunday In Ordinary Time
5.00pm Sunday Evening Devotions

*All of the above will be Livestreamed through St Mary's Facebook Page,
and shared on St Isidore's and St Mary Magdalene's Group Page.*

A Prayer For Protection In Time Of Pandemic

O Mary, you always brighten our path as a sign of salvation and of hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother,
you know what we need, and we are confident
you will provide for us as at Cana in Galilee.
Intercede for us with your Son Jesus, the Divine Physician,
for those who have fallen ill, for those who are vulnerable,
and for those who have died.
Intercede also for those charged
with protecting the health and safety of others
and for those who are tending to the sick and seeking a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who took upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows,
so as to lead us, through the Cross,
to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.



United In Lockdown

St Mary's

During the first National Lockdown, in March last year, St Mary's, under the guidance of Fr Doyle decided to reach out to many of our parishioners. The best way to do this was for volunteers to call parishioners and keep in touch with them; reporting back to the parish any help required. This was very successful and many parishioners appreciated the kindness of the volunteers, and enjoyed receiving a weekly phone call from them.

As we continue through this second National Lockdown our volunteers have very kindly agreed to call some parishioners once again. Again, the aim of this is to keep in touch with our parishioners at home and offer some help and assistance where required. Of course not all parishioners require physical assistance and may just want a chat and that is perfectly fine. If you are at home alone or would like to be added to our list, or if you know someone who would benefit from a phone call, please email or call the parish with details and this will be arranged.

Thank you very much to our volunteers for their help and assistance and for all they are doing for our parish during this pandemic.

St Isidore's & St Mary Magdalene's

Thank you very much to our Covid Coordinators and volunteers who have compiled a list of parishioners within our parish, and who keep in regular contact with parishioners. Next week Fr John-Paul, along with some volunteers, will call round some of our more isolated parishioners and keep in contact with them. If you require any assistance or if you know of someone who would benefit from a chat, please email their details to the parish and this can be arranged.

Sacrament of The Sick

During the current pandemic hospital visits from priests are not as regular, or encouraged by the hospital authorities. However, if you or a member of your family is in hospital and requires the Sacrament of the Sick, please speak to the hospital ward staff and ask them to contact the on-call chaplain.

If you are at home and require the Sacrament of the Sick please contact Fr John-Paul directly.

Paper Copy of Bulletin

Each week during Lockdown there will be paper copies of the bulletin available for collection. Every **Sunday 12noon - 1pm & Monday 12noon - 1pm**, St Mary's church porch will be open for those, who on their daily exercise, would like to collect a copy.

It may also be worthwhile thinking of neighbours or others who cannot get out and do not have access to the internet, if they would benefit from a copy being posted through their door.

Offertory Collection

It has been very humbling, and encouraging, to see so many parishioners still supporting the parish financially during these difficult times. Over the last two weeks, in St Mary's, we have had over £1000 of Offertory Collection handed in to the chapel house and around £1000 Standing Orders/Bank Transfers received. This is very much appreciated and helps us continue to cover the daily running costs of St Mary's.

Over the last few days St Mary's has also received an anonymous donation of £500. This money will be used to help cover the costs of restoring a Crucifix, which was found in the container behind the Clubrooms, and have it erected behind the Ambo. This work may take a few months, but the hope is to have the restored Crucifix erected in place before the summer.

Some people have also contacted the parish over the last three weeks and asked if they could pay their weekly offering online or make a one off donation, please find below bank details for both parishes for those who wish to do this.

We do reiterate, that you only make a financial contribution to the parish if you are in a position to do so, and that it is in proportion to your means; we thank you for your generosity but please do not go hungry or cold in order to give to the church!

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



Please Pray For The Following:



Recently Dead - Karen Reilly

Roderick Welsh

Archbishop Philip Tartaglia

Bishop Vincent Logan

Rhyber Avenue

Sornfallow Cottage, Wiston

Archbishop of Glasgow

Emeritus Bishop of Dunkeld

Shirley Mortimer; John Renton; James Wilson (Coatbridge); Robert Liestrange; Margaret Mary Miller; Margaret (Peggy) McNeil.

Months Minds & Anniversaries - John & Mary McShane; Joe & Betty McLeish; Andrew Nicol; Joseph & Annie McCrossan; Patricia McCrossan Kelly; Josephine McCrossan Kelly; Cassie Sweeney; Mary Sweeney; Tommy & Brigid Hafferty; Sean Hafferty; Seamus Hafferty; Louise Keenan; Catherine Grant.

Renton Family: Marion and the family would like to thank all those who sent Mass cards, offered prayers or words of support or comfort at the death of John; it was very much appreciated. The Holy Sacrifice of The Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Prayers for the Dead: The Church has always urged the faithful to pray for those who have died, particularly by having Holy Mass offered for the repose of their soul. Pope Francis describes this as, 'the best spiritual help that we can give to their souls, particularly the most abandoned ones.' If you would like Mass offered for the repose of the soul of a loved one please write their name on an envelope with the Mass offering enclosed and give it to Fr John-Paul or hand it into the sacristy or post it through the chapel house letterbox.

St Mary's Cemetery

After some reflection, and advice from others, Fr John-Paul would like to establish a Volunteer Group to help organise and promote St Mary's Cemetery. The idea of the Group would be to look at the cemetery and plan for the future with how we can make St Mary's Cemetery more usable for the wider community. The cemetery itself is looking slightly neglected, however, it would not take a lot of work to bring it up to standard. The work the Group will undertake is not too strenuous and is a planning group, but may involve some visits to the cemetery, and some light work to tidy the cemetery up. If you are interested in joining the Group or have any comments on the cemetery or its future, please contact Fr John-Paul. We hope that the Group will be established and meet before April, Lockdown permitting.

2021 Weddings

If you have booked a wedding in St Mary's, Lanark; St Mary Magdalene's, Forth; or St Isidore's, Biggar, for 2021, then please call or email Fr John-Paul as soon as possible to start the relevant paperwork.

If you would like to get married in one of our parishes this year, and have not yet reserved a date, please contact Fr John-Paul to start proceedings.

2021 Baptisms

If you have booked a baptism in St Mary's, Lanark; St Mary Magdalene's, Forth; or St Isidore's, Biggar, for 2021, then please call or email Fr John-Paul as soon as possible to confirm dates and details.

At present Baptisms are cancelled during Lockdown, however, the number of attendees is changing frequently.

An Act Of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

