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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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This Week in the Parish

Vigil Mass of Sunday

6.00pm (Saturday)

Third Sunday of Lent

11.00am Mass

5.30pm Exposition with

opportunity for Confessions

6.00pm Evening Prayer &

Benediction

Monday

09.10am Morning Prayer

09.30am Mass

7.00pm Reconciliation Meeting

for parents and Children P3

7.15pm Pro Life Rosary in house

Tuesday

8.30am Mass in St Lucy's

School

9.10am Morning Prayer

9.30am Mass

7.30-8.30 pm Learning how to

"listen" to the Sunday Scriptures –
meet in Church

Wednesday

09.10am Morning Prayer

09.30am Mass

Fr Joe's Day Off

Thursday

9.10am Morning Prayer

9.30am Mass

10.00am Morning of Recollection
for Priests in Glasgow

7.00pm Stations of the Cross

7.30pm Meeting Lite Group

Friday

8.30am Stations of the Cross in

St Lucy's School

09.10am Morning Prayer

09.30am Mass

6.00pm Stations of the Cross &
Benediction.

Saturday

9.10am Morning Prayer

9.30am Mass

6.00pm Vigil Mass of Sunday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays

10.30-11.00am: 5.15 – 5.45pm

Sunday

10.30-10.45am & 5.30-6.00pm

Fair-trade Fortnight 25th

February till 10th March to help

farmers and other small producers

in the developing world by

encouraging people to buy fairly

traded products. Fair-trade requires

companies to pay fair prices, and

thus fight the injustices of

conventional trade, which has

worked against the poorest,

weakest producers. Fairly traded

products, marked with the fair-

trade logo, including tea coffee

and biscuits, are now available in

shops, cafes and workplaces.

Scotland for Marriage Sadly

our politicians are not

interested in discussing this

issue. They simply keep

repeating the same mantra that

it is an 'equality issue' and

since we are all equal everyone

should have a right to marry

even if they are of the same

sex. The stupidity of this stance

is self-evident to any rational

being but as the wit put it, "*I*

have my theory so please do

not confuse me with the facts!"

The only people who have

equality in our country are

those with the loudest voices

and there are no louder voices

than those who control the

mass media.

The '*silent scream*' of the

unborn goes unheard despite

every shred of scientific

evidence demonstrating that

human life and human identity

are established at the first

moment of conception.

Equality, however, does not, in

the view of our politicians,

stem from human nature but is

a variable right which is

decided by those who wield

political power at the time. We

believe in the Holy Spirit "*the*

Lord, the giver of life" hence

our respect for the life and

every human being is from the

first moment of conception

until natural death. Equality is,

therefore, something which is

inscribed in human nature and

flows from within the human

person. It is not a right

bestowed on that person by

society.

The Bible in recounting the

story of creation is very clear

that men and women were

created by God as two distinct

acts of creation and were

created to complete and to

fulfil each other. This

understanding of faith is clearly

demonstrated by genetic

science. Men and women are at

a level of nature distinct from

each other. They are not

identical in nature- distinct but

equal in nature and grace.

Since society does not accept

that all human beings have an

equal right to life it is

inevitable that it will have a

warped understanding of

human freedom human rights

and human equality.

Have you "*stood up to be*

counted" or are you still sitting

on the fence? Are you thinking

in accordance with your faith?

Do you believe that marriage is

"*the one blessing not lost by*

original sin or washed away in

the flood?" (Marriage Blessing

from the Rite of Marriage)

MANY THANKS

First Collection

Non-GAD £ 250.11

GAD £ 282.50

Parish Second Collection in Lent

Sick & Retired Priests

Non-GAD £214.08

GAD £183.00

Sick and Retired Priests

A priest is paid an annual salary of

£2,530 and there is no Pension

Scheme. It is the responsibility of

the Diocese to care for their priests

when they are no longer able to

serve as parish or assistant priests.

Fabric & Finance Meeting

thanks to all who participated in

this most constructive meeting.

The Minutes are in the folder at

the back and I would urge you if

you are interested in the use of or
letting of the parish hall (Lucien
Centre) to read them and, if you
have any points to make, please
speak to a member of the group or
put your comments in the 'black-
box'.

ST PATRICK'S DINNER/

DANCE - can you please pick these up

from the stall before next Friday 8th

March? Any tickets not collected/paid

for by then will be offered to the

"standby" list. Thanks

The Roberts Family would like to
thank Fr. Joe and parishioners of St.
Lucy's for all their prayers and support
and the sad passing of John's dad,
Robin. A Mass will be offered for all
of your intentions.

Notice Board

- **Morals, Ethics and the Law.**
Dr Everett Julian. 5th March
- **YOF Conference** – Faith,
Reason, Love. Turnbull Hall,
Wed 6th Mar
- **Pontifical Missionary Union**
Conference – St Margaret of
Scotland, Stirling. 9th March
- **Ignation Life Workshop** –
Sat 9th Mar. 11.30 to 1.30pm.
- **Vespers of St John Ogilvie** –
St Aloysius. Sun 10th Mar.
- **The Newman Association** –
The Vatican and the American
Sisters Leadership Group.
Thurs 14 Mar at 7.30pm.
- **The Spirit of Scotland** –
Glasgow Royal Concert Hall -
Fri 26th Apr.
- **In Conversation with Valerie**
MacLennan Fri. 22nd March
at St. Mungo's Church,
Cumbernauld.

Protection of Children and
Vulnerable Adults It is most
important for us, as a parish, to
ensure that anyone working
with such groups has been
approved by the Archdiocese
and Statutory Authorities.
They must also be aware of the
policies which protect not only
the groups but also the helper.
It can be a 'pain in the neck'
having to participate in the
process and guidelines but is
very important and your help
is greatly appreciated.