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**THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR–B.  
14<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2024**

**Vigil (Saturday): 6.00 pm**  
**Confession (Saturday): 5.15 – 5.45 pm**  
**Sunday Mass: 9.30 am**  
**Weekdays Mass: Mon, Wed & Fri: 10.00 am**

**St Clement's**

**Sunday Mass: 11.00 am**  
**Weekday Mass: Tue & Thu. 09.00 am**  
**Sat –Holy Mass in the Convent: 10.00 am**

**FEAST AND MEMORIAL**

**Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Jan: St Anthony the Abbot – Memorial**

**NEXT SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 2024: THIRD  
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR – B**

**SICK & ANNIVERSARIES:**

*Please pray for all sick in our parish especially Bishop Robson & his mother Marjory, May McGeary, Cath Adam, Catherine Reid, Kathleen Wilson, Alice Smith, Jim Gibson, Lusia, Brian Murphy, Lizzie Ward, Claire Walker, Monsignor Basil O'Sullivan, Esther Sinclair, Bill Butter & Chachitika Mulenga. Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for them.*

*Please remember in your prayers those who have recently died and whose anniversaries occur about this time.*

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them: may they rest in peace. Amen*

**COFFEE/TEA:** Please enjoy your coffee/tea after the Sunday Holy Mass in the Church Hall.

**200 Club Winners: 07/01/2024 No. 37 J. Curran Snr.**

**White Flower Appeal:** The Society for the protection of Unborn children (SPUC) will be holding **its appeal next weekends**. SPUC's vision is for a world where abortion is unthinkable. This year's appeal calls for the Government to end the pills-by-post DIY abortion policy. Please be as generous as you can to help SPUC defend unborn babies and their mothers by highlighting this urgent crisis.

**Thank you very much for all members** who came to participate in our **Monthly Church Cleaning** held on last Wednesday.

**I am very happy to have 5 volunteers for dead leaves picking & cleaning around the church and 4 volunteers to spread salt during snowfall.** Thank you very much for your readiness to help. If anymore to join the group, you are most welcome & please contact me.

**Parish Pastoral Council:** A meeting of the PPC will be held on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January at 7 pm** in the hall. You are most welcome to provide suggestions to discuss for the betterment of our parish.

**CC's:** CC's will be open again on **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>** for soup and toasties and on **25<sup>th</sup> Soup and Stovies**. We are looking forward to welcoming our regular and new customers back.

**Climate Crises:** The following is an excerpt from a powerful meditation given by Fr Timothy Radcliffe to 400 or so participants at the retreat before the opening of Part One of The Synod Assembly in Rome last October.

'We also gather in hope for humanity. The future looks grim. Ecological catastrophe threatens the destruction of our home. Wildfires and floods have devoured the world this summer. Small islands begin to disappear under the sea. Millions of people are on the road fleeing from poverty and violence. Hundreds have drowned in the Mediterranean not far from here. Many parents refuse to bring children into a world that appears doomed. In China, young people wear T-shirts saying, 'We are the last generation'. Let us gather in hope for humanity, especially hope for the young.'

Well worth a listen: <https://youtu.be/cGdxwE2KYgg>

**Our Journey Together Continues**

Synodality is a strange word. Simply put, it is a way of holding meetings and surveys where everyone is given a voice and is listened to unconditionally; an opportunity to have views and opinions heard without put downs or judgement. It's a way of careful listening to other points of view and taking time to reflect and come to an understanding before making decisions which affect the group. The process can be extremely useful for resolving issues between family members, politicians, world leaders, businesses, clubs and any group or organisation grappling with hot button topics which may be causing division. A prayerful synod invites the Holy Spirit to be present in these 'Conversations in the Spirit' and is Pope Francis' gift to the Church as it grapples with renewal. He asks us as part of the global church to engage in Conversations in the Spirit now as a way of being church.

**The Bishop's Committee for Interreligious Dialogue Annual Colloquium** on '*The role of religious experience in interreligious dialogue*' with Professor Will Storrar will be held at Conforti Centre Coatbridge from **Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> till Sat 24<sup>th</sup> Feb 24**. Please see poster for more details.

**Friends of Nunraw Abbey Facebook:** As a service in a busy life this page offers a daily life of the Saints/ Blessed's: particularly the more obscure lives and our Scottish Saints. Inspiring stories, liturgical seasons information, conversion stories, religious video clips, our Scottish Monasteries and much more.

**PSALM RESPONSE:**

***Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.***

**Memorial Acclamation**

**We proclaim your death, O Lord,  
And profess your Resurrection.  
Until you come again.**