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Date	SS John Cantius & Nicholas	St Philomenas	Feast Day
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	5.30 pm Vigil Mass Catherine Callaghan RIP	10.30 am SVDP Mass	Mass of Our Lady
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	9.30 am Mass Dan and Lilly Donnelly (AV)	11.30 am Mass For the People of the Parish	22 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Year A
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	9.30 am Mass Helen & Alex-married for 56 yrs	No Mass	St Cuthbert
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	6.00 pm Mass Fr Charles Kane, Glasgow (RIP)	9.30 am Mass John Donoghue (RIP)	22 <sup>nd</sup> Week of the Year
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	9.30 am Mass The Boylan Family (RIP) The McGuinness Family (RIP)	No Mass	22 <sup>nd</sup> Week of the Year
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	No Mass	9.30 am Mass Tony Mallon (RIP)	22 <sup>nd</sup> Week of the Year
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	9.30 am Mass Cath Delaney & Adam Kerolewski and daughter Catherine (RIP)	10.30 am Mass John Murray	Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	5.30 pm Vigil Mass Frank Curran (RIP)	9.30 am Mass Rena McManus (RIP)	Mass of Our Lady
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> September	9.30 am Mass For the People of the Parish	11.30 am Mass Margaret & Bert Currie & Family	23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year

**Morning Prayer: Broxburn: Mon. Wed. Fri. - 8.30 am**

**Winchburgh: Tues. 8.30 am Sat. - 8.30am**

**Confessions: Broxburn: Sat. 4.45 pm - 5.15 pm. Tues. 6.30 pm**

**Winchburgh: Fri. 11.00 am. Sat - 10.15 am**

### TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - 3<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017

#### THEME

'Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross and follow me'. We are Christians and, therefore, all suffering should be seen in Christ suffering. People of other religions may deal with suffering differently but we see that Jesus Christ, God's incarnate and personal presence among us as one of us, accepted suffering purposefully. Christ's suffering was infinitely meaningful, in suffering he negated the power of evil to hold us in bondage and opened for us the way to heaven. Our destiny now is not oblivion, our achievable goal is to live forever with God in His Heaven now opened for us if we are joined into His Son, Jesus Christ. Let us be aware that we are precious and lovable in God's eyes and we should identify ourselves as such. St Paul says 'For as we share abundantly in Christ's suffering, so through Christ we share abundantly in comfort too'. Amen.

#### REFLECTION

'Believe me Brethren, Satan dreads the watching of holy men and their prayers, and fasts, and voluntary poverty, and works of mercy, and humility, and, above all their ardent love for Christ our Lord, at the mere sign of whose most Holy Cross, he is disabled, and put to blight.' Saint Antony Abbot

#### SHARED PARISH NEWS

**Teachings of The Catechism: 'Worship The Lord Your God (Para 2083-2086):** The first commandment, 'You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve' is the most important one, the cornerstone if you like, of all the others. Our vocation is to make God known, to witness to his truth and so bear testimony that we are created in the image and likeness of God (Genesis 1:26). The first commandment invites us to examine, pray and reflect on the question: Who is

God? God is unchanging, constant, faithful, just and without evil. God is mighty, all-powerful, kind and compassionate to all he has created. As the Catechism says 'Who could not love him when contemplating the treasure of goodness and love he has poured out on us?

**Journey to Russia:** This weekend a number of pilgrims from Scotland, 25 in number, will be going on a Pilgrimage to Russia. Fr Jeremy will be going as Chaplain and it is being organised by the Prayer Group. We pray for the fruitfulness of the journey made in faith and for their safe return.

**Diocesan Choir Rehearsals:** There is another rehearsal coming up on 5<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm at the Gillis Chapel. This is to prepare for The Deacons ordinations at the Cathedral on 16<sup>th</sup> September at 1pm and the Margaret Sinclair Pilgrimage from 2 to 4pm. Mass at 4pm (new voices welcomed).

**Completion of the Legion of Mary Visit to Winchburgh:** This weekend we say farewell to the 6 Legionnaires from Ireland who carried out a house to house visitation of St Philomena's Parish. We hope and pray for the fruitfulness of their visit and that the grace of God will encourage the lapsed and unchurched to recognise the importance of a strong faith in God. We give thanks for all their hard work and the example they bring. We also pray for the unitive spirit to be encouraging the well established community and the new residents to come together in a new way as the Winchburgh of today.

**Hospital Call Outs:** Please remember to ask St John's Hospital to page the on call priest in an emergency. Fr Jeremy is on night calls at St John' from the 11<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> September.

**School Class Masses:** Over the coming weeks the pupils and teachers of Holy Family School and St Nicholas School will be attending parish Masses. Holy Family normally on a Tuesday 9.30am and St Nicholas normally on a Wednesday 9.30am. We hope it helps the children to appreciate the real presence of God in the Mass.

**Death of a Priest:** Canon Donald McKay RIP of Argyll and the Isles has died after a lengthy illness. For those who cannot go to South Uist there is a 'Months Mind Mass' on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September at St Michael's, Moodiesburn. G69 ODL. We thank God for his priestly love and service.

**Death of Peter Hill:** May he Rest in Peace. We remember and pray for his family.

**National Pilgrimage to Carfin:** This takes place today, Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, in honour of Our Lady of Fatima. Details on the Carfin website. Fr Francis McGachey is the parish priest and organiser. Our Lady of Fatima pray for us.

**Margaret Sinclair Pilgrimage 2017:** This will take place on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm in St Patrick's, Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1TQ. Everyone who is devoted to her is encouraged to attend. The preacher is Fr Richard Reid CSsR.

**Praying for the Sick:** Amongst all those who are sick at this time please remember: Nina Brown, May Lawson, Martin Donoghue, Margaret Foodie, Mary Doyle, Anne O'Kane. Muriel O'Donnell, John Sweeney, Billy Mullin, Mary Boylan, Marion Caulfield, John Ferguson, Bridget Nelson, Sister Mary Dominic. Our Lady, Patroness of the Sick, pray for them.

**Thank You:** John Sweeney would like to thank everyone for their telephone calls, cards, Mass cards, visits and get well wishes during his recent stay in hospital. John is home now and recovering well. Thanks again.

**Summer Catholic Quiz Questions - last week's answers:** (i) Monday and Tuesday before Ash Wednesday (ii) Algeria  
**This week's quiz questions:** (i) Which of the 12 Apostles is said to be buried in Compostela, Spain (ii) According to tradition, what was the name of the good thief on the cross? (Answers next week)

**Next Sunday's Readings:** 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year (10<sup>th</sup> Sept.). First reading: A reading from the prophet Ezekiel 33:7-9. Psalm: 94:1-2.6-9. Second reading: A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 13:8-10. Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20. All parish readers are especially encouraged to read the Holy Scriptures before coming to the Mass.

### **SS JOHN CANTIUS AND NICHOLAS PARISH**

**Cleaning Rota:** Group 4 - 4<sup>th</sup> Sept. Group 5 - 18<sup>th</sup> Sept.

**Vestry Hour:** The next vestry hour is Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 5pm. For all general pastoral enquiries.

**Collections:** Offertory: £839.50 Building Fund: £285.50 Candles: £88.00 Papers: £74.32. Thank you for your generosity.

**'59 Club':** (No.). Group 1 - Group 2 (TBA)

**Tea & Bacon Rolls:** Next teas - Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September after 9.30 am Mass. Next bacon rolls - Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September after 9.30am Mass. Please come along to the hall, enjoy a snack/refreshment, good company and support good charitable causes - Mary Meals and Lourdes Fund. Thank you to the volunteers who provide for us.

**Baptism:** We pray for Imogen Gallagher who is to be baptised on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, her parents and godparents too.

**SDVP Bus Trip:** We hope and pray that everyone enjoys the day out on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September. Thank God for all the generosity.

### **ST PHILOMENA'S PARISH**

**Vestry Hour:** The next vestry hour is Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 7pm. For all general pastoral enquiries.

**Collection:** Offertory: £403.82 Thank you for your generosity.

**Donation:** Thank you to the Tinney Family for the donation to the Church Roof Fund.