

LITURGY OF THE WORD

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Wisdom 12:13, 16-19 God gives repentance for our sins.

Romans 8:26 –27 The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness.

Matthew 13:24-43 [24-30] Let the wheat and darnel grow together until harvest.

In today's Gospel we have another story of seeds being planted and growing. This time weeds are growing among the wheat. But God counsels patience, for pulling up the weeds might uproot the good wheat as well. The first reading presents us with a just and merciful God, and we see this mercy in the patient God of the Gospel, who alone can judge the wheat from the weeds. As we hear these readings today, let us give thanks for our God, who gives time for all to grow in God's favour.

CALENDAR

Tuesday, 22nd Memorial of St Mary Magdalen

Wednesday, 23rd Feast of St Bridget

Friday, 25th Feast of St James

Saturday, 26th Memorial of St Joachim and St Anne

OFFERINGS

This Sunday's second collection is in aid of the Cathedral Building and Development Fund. The Cathedral faces considerable maintenance costs compared with the average parish church. The pipe organ has still to be restored and there are plans to complete the cloister. Your contributions are much appreciated.

Gift Aid: each £1 given through Gift Aid brings an extra 25p to the Cathedral. Please consider Gift Aid. If you pay UK income tax you can sign the declaration on the yellow envelopes available near your seat. It costs you nothing, does not affect your tax code and is precious cash back to the Cathedral.

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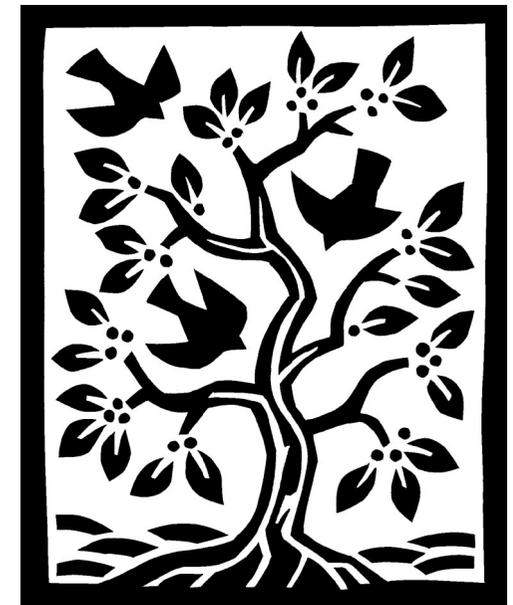
Parish founded in 1792. Church opened in 1816

20 July 2014

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**'It is the smallest of all the
seeds, yet when full grown it is
the largest of plants'**

Matthew 13:32



SUNDAY MASS	Vigil 5.15pm, 10.00am, 12noon, 5.15pm
Please note that there will be no 8.15am Mass on Glasgow Fair Monday, 21 July.	
MASS TUE – SAT.	8.15am, 1pm and 5.15pm
CONFESSIONS	Tuesday to Saturday 30 minutes before weekday Mass; also Saturday 12—1pm; 4—5.15pm.
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NOTICES

Pauline Books: *Children's storytelling sessions* - Storytelling will take place every Wednesday at 2.00pm on the following dates: 23rd July, 30th July and 6th August in St Paul's Book Shop, Royal Exchange Square, Glasgow.

Mother Teresa - An Exhibition of her Life: Saturday 19th July—Saturday 2nd August in St Mungo's, Townhead. A free exhibition that has visited Seville, London and Norwich comes to Glasgow in time for the Commonwealth Games. FREE ENTRY. Open daily 9.00am — 6.00pm (8.00pm on Sat). See poster on Notice Board.

Human Trafficking: Pope Francis says "Human trafficking is a scourge, a crime against the whole of humanity. It is time to join forces and work together to free its victims and to eradicate this crime that affects all of us". Time of Reflection and Prayer for an end to Human Trafficking - Monday, 21st July 7.00pm at St Anne's Church, Whitevale Street, Dennistoun, Glasgow. 50% of traffic victims are less than 16 years old.

Archbishop' Tartaglia's Commonwealth Games Message

If the Commonwealth Games are known as the friendly games then it is only right that they should come to the friendly city of Glasgow!

As Archbishop of the 2014 host city, I welcome, in a special way, competitors and their families, officials and spectators who are arriving in our city for this great festival of sport.

The concepts of friendliness and hospitality are profoundly Christian ones. Jesus himself uses the word 'friend' in a way which really changes relationships for the better when he says to his disciples: "I do not call you servants...I call you friends". And the virtue of hospitality is explicitly lauded in the pages of the Gospels: "I was a stranger and you made me welcome." So, over the coming weeks, all of us who live in and around the Games are called upon to be the best of citizens, the friendliest of hosts and the most welcoming of human beings.

As we welcome visitors from all over the world to the city of St Mungo, I invite you to pray for a happy, peaceful and successful Commonwealth Games. I hope that all who come to our country will return home having experienced the best in Scottish hospitality. I hope, too, that the Games will reward honest endeavour and expand Glasgow's rich sporting tradition, and that the ideals celebrated in sport this summer will assist in building a more just and compassionate society across the world.

CATHEDRAL NEWS

Monday, 21 July Glasgow Glasgow Fair Monday is a local holiday: there will be no 8.15 Mass.

Tuesday , 22 July The Queen's Baton Relay will pass the Cathedral around 10.30. See www.glasgow2014.com/join/queens-baton-relay

Wednesday, 23 July The Cathedral is taking part in Wee Doors Open Day, an opportunity, as the Commonwealth Games begin, for visitors and locals alike to discover some of Glasgow's architectural gems. See www.glasgowdoorsopenday.com

Sunday, 27 July The 5.15pm Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Tartaglia and a special invitation is offered to all involved in the Commonwealth Games. Music provided by the St Mungo Singers.

Marathon Race. Please note if you are coming to 10am or 12noon Mass: the Marathon takes place on Sunday 27th and the route includes the whole of Clyde Street, which will be closed to traffic at least till the afternoon. There will be pedestrian access as normal. Plan your journey - see www.getreadyglasgow.com.

Annual Bus Run This year's trip will be on Sunday 24th August and the destination is St Andrews. Mass will be celebrated en route. The cost is £23 per person, which includes a 3 course lunch. Booking forms available at the bookstall. £10 deposit required.

STREAMING

Watch Cathedral services online—see link at www.cathedralG1.org

BOOKSTALL

The Scottish Catholic Observer: "Break the cycle of hatred and violence," Pope appeals for peace in the Holy Land; Fresh fears of assisted suicide becoming a reality; US priest faces jail for refusing to break the seal of confession; Pope to visit Pentecostal church in Caserta, Italy

Surplus clothes, books? Parishioner John McVey (tel: 0141 429 2015, Mob: 07799 735893) is available to collect. Proceeds are helping various charities.