

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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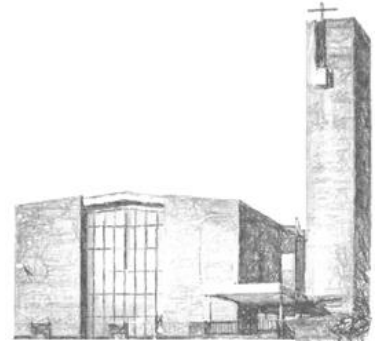
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20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 18th August 2024. Services 19th – 25th August 2024.

Monday	
9:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Funeral Mass for Catherine Sheed
Tuesday	
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10:00	Mass
Wednesday	
9:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Funeral Mass for Agnes Quinn
Thursday	
9:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass
Friday	
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10:00	Mass
Saturday	
16.15 – 16.45	Confessions
21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 25 th August 2024	
17:00	Vigil Mass of Sunday
Sunday	
09:00	Sunday Mass
11:00	Sunday Mass

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU

Offertory cash	£1505
Votives	£166
Stall	£30
Gift Aid £321.60	£1,701

TEA & TOAST

This will resume in the Church Hall after 10.00am Mass on Friday 23rd August.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

PROV 9:1-6

Eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared for you.

PS 33: 2-3. 10-15 R.9

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

EPH 5:15-20

Recognise what is the will of God.

JOHN 6:51-58

My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

Jesus becomes more emphatic in his teaching. Not only is he the living bread come down from heaven, but he tells the crowd; "If you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. He who eats his bread and drinks his blood lives in him, and he in them. As he draws life from the Father, so those who eat this bread draw life from Jesus.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Funerals Catherine Sheed RIP. Rite of Reception Sunday 4pm, Funeral Mass Monday 10am.

Agnes Quinn RIP Rite of Reception & Funeral Mass Wednesday 10am

Sick Kevin McMonagle

RIP Catherine Sheed, Agnes Quinn, Tommy McQuillan, John McNab, Mark Kane, Jack Flanagan, Bert Baillie.

Months Mind: Annie, Tommy & Thomas Flaherty, Frank & Mary McWilliams, Ann Little Christina Samson

Anniversaries: Berry Sweeney, Winnie Howarth, Peter Gallacher, Teresa Woodside, Elizabeth McAulay, Helen & Teddy Hand, Canon Donald Mackay.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

Resumes again on Sunday 1st September. This is a very useful tool our younger parishioners and I encourage parents to bring their children to this.

LOAVES AND FISHES FOODBANK:

A letter of thanks has been received for your recent donation of £1,090 to Loaves and Fishes.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEKEND

CONFESSIONS

Confessions on a Saturday continue to be 4:15pm-4:45pm during the summer months.

FUTURE EVENTS AND SERVICES

PASTORAL VISIT OF HIS EXCELLENCY ARCHBISHOP MIGUEL MAURY BUENDIA, APOSTOLIC NUNCIO TO GREAT BRITAIN, TO MOTHERWELL DIOCESE, ON 30TH AUGUST TO 1ST SEPTEMBER.

The Pope's Ambassador to Great Britain, the Papal Nuncio Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendia will be present with us from the evening of Friday August 30th until his return to London on Monday 2nd September. Bishop Toal asks you to join with him in welcoming Archbishop Miguel, particularly at the Masses he will celebrate with us.

Friday 30th at 7pm

Solemn Mass of Welcome in Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral, celebrating the Communion of the Diocese in the Universal Church led by our Holy Father, Pope Francis. After Mass there will be a reception afterwards in St Bride's Centre.

Saturday 31st at 10 am

Archbishop Maury Buendia will celebrate the Saturday Morning Mass in the Cathedral in honour of Our Lady, Fountain of Salvation, and its particular focus will be to pray for the continued progress of Project Wellspring, the Motherwell programme for pastoral renewal. Bishop Toal proposes we make this Saturday Morning Mass for the whole Diocese. It is particularly hoped that those who are involved in Wellspring in the parishes and in the diocesan missions will attend this Mass and come afterwards to St Bride's Centre for a presentation on Wellspring and discussion on its development. This is scheduled to last from 11.30 to 14.30 and will include lunch. Bishop Toal has asked that four people from each parish accompany the parish clergy.

Sunday 1st at 3pm – the National Pilgrimage Mass at Carfin Grotto

Archbishop Maury Buendia will be the main celebrant at the National Pilgrimage Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto at Carfin. The theme for the Pilgrimage this year is Pilgrims of Prayer, in preparation for the Jubilee Year of 2025. Bishop Frank Dougan of Galloway will be the homilist. Everybody is most welcome to attend.

Bishop Toal realises that to have three special Masses on consecutive days is quite demanding but he hopes that you will be able to participate and ensure that we give a very special welcome to our Papal Nuncio and assure him of our loyalty to, and our supportive prayers for, Our Holy Father, Pope Francis.

BISHOP DOUGAN

At the request of some parishioners, Bishop Dougan will return to Our Lady of Lourdes on Tuesday 24th September to celebrate Mass at 7pm. Those who are organising this visit will announce the plans in due course.

DIOCESAN VOCATIONS MASS

The Diocesan Vocations Mass will take place on Thursday August 22nd, the Feast of the Queenship of Mary, at 7.00 pm in Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral. This is a timely reminder of the need to pray for vocations especially to the priesthood. Although we have had a good number of priestly ordinations in recent times, we have no applicants for seminary this year. There is no substitute for a priest in a parish.

ST NINIAN PILGRIMAGE

This year is the 100th Anniversary of the modern Pilgrimage which is being held on Sunday 25th August and it is being kept this year as a National Pilgrimage. You can either attend the Mass celebrated by Bishop Frank Dougan at St Ninian's Cave at 4pm, or the Mass at St Martin's and St Ninian's Church in Whithorn town at 4.45pm, where Bishop Joseph Toal will be the main celebrant. All are welcome.

OTHER NOTICES

PANTOMIME- A CRACKING CHRISTMAS CAROL.

This will be at the Village theatre on Friday 20th December at 7.00 pm. All tickets £10.50. A list will be on the notice board, please put your name with mobile number and number of tickets required.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES FEAST DAY;

Advance notice is given that next year Bishop Toal will come to the parish to celebrate Mass at 7pm. This will be a mass of thanksgiving for the graces received over the course of six decades since the Church was officially opened in 1964. Save the date!

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:

We have a very small but dedicated band of Eucharistic Ministers who assist with the distribution of Holy Communion and, in many cases, take the Blessed Sacrament to sick and housebound parishioners.

Since arriving here, it is evident to me that we really need more parishioners to take on this ministry. That would help us, for example, take Holy Communion again to patients in Hairmyers Hospital. Not a week goes by without calls from people asking for the Eucharist from the hospital.

I have already approached some parishioners and have still to see others to invite them to take on this ministry. If you are asked, please be generous with your response.