

# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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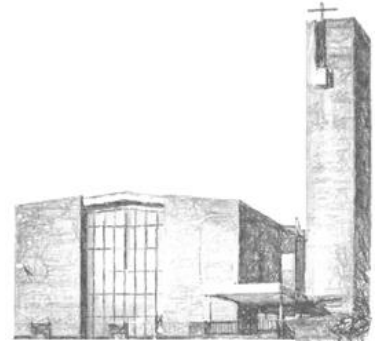
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## 22<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B 31<sup>st</sup> August & 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024

Mon	9:25	Litany & Rosary
	10:00	Mass
Tue	9:25	Litany & Rosary
	10:00	Mass – St Gregory the Great - Memorial
Wed	9:25	Litany & Rosary
	10:00	Mass
Thu	9:25	Litany & Rosary
	10:00	Mass
Fri	9:25	Litany & Rosary
	10:00	Mass
Sat		No Mass
	16:15 - 16:45	Confessions

## 23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> September 2023

	17:00	Vigil Mass of Sunday
Sun	09:00	Sunday Mass
	11:00	Sunday Mass

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

DT 4:1-, 6-8

Observe these laws and customs, that you may have eternal life.

PS 14

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

JM 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

Accept and submit to the word.

MARK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

You put aside the commandment of God, to cling to human traditions.

### REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

Back to Mark, and a dispute about ritual washing. The Pharisees noticed that some of Jesus' disciples do not wash hands before eating. This was a rule passed down, not observed by all, and even the instructions were unclear: literally, people were to 'wash their hands with the fist' and debates raged on what that meant! Jesus cuts through the argument: humans are made unclean by what exists within them: not by what they eat.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

#### RECENTLY DECEASED

Jean Adam, Kevin McGonagle, Helen Reilly, Stephen Lynch, Marion Mitchell, Peter Di Falco, Lauren Smith.

#### ANNIVERSARIES, MONTH'S MINDS, BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES

Robert Tamburrini, Ron McEwan, Ellen Lill, Marie Kelly, Stephen Kelly, Crissie Gandolfo, Martin Gowran, Frances & Clare Docherty, Catherine McWilliams, Francis & Honora Docherty.

### COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS THANK YOU

Cash	£1,386
Envelopes	£324
Standing Orders	£905
Estimated Gift Aid	£265
	<b>£2880</b>

Stall received **£100**

Votives **£163.**

*Thank you.*

#### ONLINE DONATIONS

Nowadays with fewer people carrying cash, you can now make a donation online by scanning the QR code with your smart phone using a credit/debit card or Apple Pay.



Remember that if you pay tax you can also gift aid your donation if appropriate!

## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

### ECCLESIASTICAL STUDENTS FUND:

Vocations Awareness Week begins on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September, with a special collection on that weekend 7/8<sup>th</sup> September

### BISHOP FRANK DOUGAN:

A collection for Bishop Frank Dougan will be taken up on the weekend of 14/15<sup>th</sup> September. This gift will be presented to Bishop Frank after the Mass of Thanksgiving on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September.

### FOODBANKS:

The next collection for our local foodbanks is the weekend of 21/22<sup>nd</sup> September. Thank you so much for your relentless support for those in need within our communities.

## FUTURE EVENTS & SERVICES

### NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE MASS TO CARFIN

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 realizes 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.

### PRAYER GROUPS

Tuesday – Rosary for unborn babies & Mothers prayer group after Mass.

Wednesdays - Pro-life prayers after Mass in Church.

Friday - Prayers at 1.00 pm for vocations and priests with Divine Mercy at 3.0<sup>o</sup>clock.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Resumes again today at the 11am Mass. I encourage the parents of primary school children to attend this Mass with their children.

### MASS IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA IN CARFIN

A bus will leave from the bus stop opposite the Church at 6.40pm for anyone wishing to go to the Mass. (Please add your name to the list on the noticeboard).

### ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC

Any adult interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith with a view to joining the Church is invited to "An evening of Enquiry" in the Chapel House. This will take place on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 7pm. If you know of someone who may be interested please bring them along to the meeting.

### CARITAS 2024

We are blessed with a good strong number of senior pupils and parishioners on this scheme. Each Sunday they provide tea and coffee in the Hall after Mass. Please encourage them by going to the hall as often as you are able.

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## **OTHER NOTICES**

### PARISH FINANCE GROUP

According to Canon Law every parish must have a Finance Group. I wish to establish such a group to bring in a degree of accountability to

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the running of the Parish. If you have a background in finance and feel you could help in this regard then please speak to me after the Mass today. So far, three people have volunteered, all men. It would be great if some women who have a background in finance would also assist with this matter.

### 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 Hairmyres Hospital. Not a week goes by without calls from people asking for the Eucharist from the hospital. There has been a very good response to this and I wish to meet with the new volunteers on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm in the Chapel House.

### BISHOP FRANK DOUGAN

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

### CALL FOR CANTORS AND CHOIR TONDATE

From the 1st of September onwards the Choir will rehearse between the 9 and 11am Masses every Sunday. Everyone is welcome and we'd love to see more people coming along to see what it's all about (especially if you think you can't sing!) - no commitment necessary, but we're sure if you come to one, you'll want to come again! There's no obligation to stay and sing at the 11am Mass, just come through to the Oratory to start rehearsal at 10am.

Coupled with the change in rehearsal day we'd love to hear from anyone who would like to be a Cantor at the 11am Mass with the intention to lead the psalm with the Choir and with enough people volunteering no one should have to do more than once a month with plenty of rehearsal time and practice materials in between. Come see Michael at the Organ on Sundays or ask for my details from Fr Kenny or Deacon Bill. There's no age limit as long as you can sing confidently and are willing to practice!

### PANTOMIME - A CRACKING CHRISTMAS CAROL

This will be at the Village theatre on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> 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.

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## **HEALTH & SAFETY**

There will be a health & Safety audit of the parish on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 10.30am which will take a couple of hours.