

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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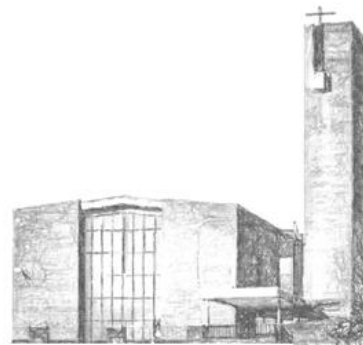
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MASS 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time 23rd Feb 2025. Services for 24th Feb – 2nd Mar 2025

Monday	
9:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass
Tuesday	
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10:00	Mass
Wednesday	
9:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass
Thursday	
9:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass
18:15 – 18:45	Confessions
19:00	Mass
Friday	
9:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass
Saturday	
09.15 – 09.45	Confessions
10.00	Mass
16.15 – 16.45	Confessions
2nd March 2025	8th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year - C
17:00	Vigil Mass of Sunday
Sunday	
09:00	Sunday Mass
11:00	Sunday Mass

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU

Offertory cash	£1455
Votives	£160
Stall	£55
Other	£55
Gift Aid £255	£1,725
Digital	£64

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

READING 1 1 SAM 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

The Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand.

PSALM PS 102:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13 R. 8

The Lord is compassion and love.

READING 2 1 COR 15:45-49

We who have been modelled on the earthly man will be modelled on the heavenly man.

GOSPEL LUKE 6:27-38

Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate.

REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

More of Jesus' famous sermon. Much as it is in Matthew's version, Jesus' version teaching demands action. Disciples are to love enemies, do good to those who hate them, pray for those who treat them badly. The listeners don't know this yet, but these are characteristics of Jesus own ministry, and especially during his passion. We will hear Jesus, being nailed to the cross praying: "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RIP

Patricia Monaghan, Sadie Currie, Ian Graham, Elizabeth Murphy, Jim Paterson, Anne & Billy Hindley.

ANNIVERSARIES

Frank & Mary McWilliams, Teresa Woodside, Ann Little, Christine Samson, Andrew Forrester, Geoffrey Gardine, Columb Gardine, Rena Rose, Michael McCluskey, Tom Fox

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

Ellen O'Kane, Jan Sproul

FUTURE EVENTS & SERVICES

FAREWELL TO DEACON BILL:

As you know, the Bishop has reassigned Deacon Bill to the parish of St. Mary and St. Bernard, Coatbridge. He will take up this appointment on Monday 3rd March. Consequentially, next weekend will be his last here at Our Lady of Lourdes.

After 11am Mass next Sunday there will be a coffee morning to bid Deacon Bill a farewell. Everyone is invited along to show our support for a much loved member of the parish team.

PARISH FINANCE TEAM:

David Halliday, Chair of our Finance Group, will speak at the end of Mass next weekend about a few financial matters including the Gift Aid Scheme.

CHRISTOPHER IGWE:

Bishop Toal will ordain Christopher to the Priesthood on Wednesday 3rd September at 7pm in Motherwell Cathedral. Christopher has intimated that he wishes to celebrate his Mass of Thanksgiving here in Our lady of Lourdes which he considers his home parish in Scotland. That will take place on Thursday 4th Sept. Meantime, we keep Christopher in our prayers.

ASH WEDNESDAY:

Advance notice that this falls on Wednesday 5th March. It is a Day of fasting and Abstinence. Everyone of age 14 and up must abstain from consuming meat. On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday: Everyone of age 18 to 59 must fast, unless exempt due to usually a medical reason.

LENTEN PROGRAM

Will be published next weekend and will begin on Monday 10th March.

FIRST CONFESSIONS

The P3 children from our schools will celebrate First Reconciliation on these dates:

Monday 10th Mar: Our Lady of Lourdes Primary 6pm

Tuesday 11th Mar St. Louise Primary 6pm.

WELLSPRING MEETING:

Wellspring Parish Renewal Meeting on Monday 10th March, 7pm – 9pm in Saint Bernadette's Parish Hall.

I will attend this meeting and would be grateful if other members of the team can come along too. Our Lady of Lourdes work in this area will be highlighted at the meeting.

MASS FOR LIFE AT CARFIN THURSDAY 27TH.

Rosary, Exposition 7.00 pm confession and Holy Mass 7.30 pm. If you wish to join us, there will be a bus leaving at 6.20 pm at bus stop opposite church. Please put your name and mobile no on list which can be found on the porch noticeboard.

RACE NIGHT:

To raise funds for members of HCPT's Scottish Youth Group on Saturday 22nd February in the church hall. 7pm start. This Easter, two of our young parishioners will be travelling to Lourdes with the Scottish Youth Group and need your help to make it happen! To help raise funds towards their fares, they are hosting a race night to which you are all invited. Tickets and horses are £5 each. If you are a local business and are interested in sponsoring a race that is also available. Any donations of raffle prizes would also be gratefully received. Contact Olivia on 07794 337612 or Gerald on 07966 424187 for more details. Thank you!!

ST PATRICK'S FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT SOCIAL.

Saturday 15th March 7pm-1130pm in the Church Hall. Tickets £5. BYOB and snacks. Raffles, Irish bingo, Irish music and Irish dancing on the night! Proceeds to the Osborne Academy of Irish Dancing. Tickets on sale after all masses from 2nd March or by phoning/texting Michael on 07824 445912.

ST ANDREW'S HOSPICE – MAKE A WILL MONTH – MARCH 2025

Make or update your Will and support St Andrew's Hospice during the month of March. Several Lanarkshire Legal Firms have agreed to write a basic Will or update an existing Will and waive their legal fee, in return for a donation to St Andrew's Hospice. For further information please contact

Lorna McCafferty, Trusts, Legacy and Individual Giving Manager at St Andrew's Hospice on 01236 772087 or email

lorna.mccafferty@standrews.scot.nhs.uk

or visit the Hospice website :-

www.st-andrews-hospice.com

for details of the Solicitors taking part.

DIGITAL SUNDAY OFFERING

The following QR Code or link takes you to a secure web page that can be used for your Sunday Offering.



Please note that not only can you donate your weekly donation online, there is also provision to give a donation for any special collections.

<https://donate.mydona.com/our-lady-of-lourdes-church>

You can also register for Gift Aid or Gift Aid your offering. Only those who Gift Aid will have their details recorded. You can also include a short message.