

**Please remember in your prayers**  
**Those who died recently**

Marion Kelly (USA), John McLean.

**The Months Minds and Anniversaries of**

Cathy Colligan, Catherine Millar (Birthday Remembrance), Michael & Bridget Fahey, Michael Emans, Margaret & Tom Brown, Lizzie Nelson, Helen Donnelly (Cambuslang), Benny Colston (Anniversary & Birthday Remembrance), Bridget (Genoa) & Thomas O'Neill & Family.

**EAST KILBRIDE LOCAL FOODBANK**

Yet again, we have had an incredible response to this month's Foodbank donations totalling £1375.00. Thank you so much for your relentless and Christian consideration for this vital service in our local community. It may be that we will be able to resume food bag collections over the next few months. If so, I will give ample notice via the bulletin.

Details of when/where to access the services of the Foodbank are listed on a poster in the outer porch or by phoning 01355 247660 or at [www.calderswoodbaptist.co.uk/foodbank](http://www.calderswoodbaptist.co.uk/foodbank)

As ever, no referral is required and discretion is assured. *Phil McMahon*

**COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS**

**Sunday Offertory 8th August 2021**

£1343.50+ GiftAid/Standing Orders £800.00

Stall	£15.50	Flowers	£35.00
Votive Candles	£36.00	Donations for Forty Hours Adoration	£370.00

**A HUGE THANK YOU**

Words can never really adequately express the depth of gratitude I owe to the parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish for their support, encouragement and kindness over the past four years when I had the privilege of being your Parish Priest. It has been a real joy to live in East Kilbride and to become part of the faith community of this parish. I have loved working and praying in the church whether that was for personal prayer or with the community. It has been enriching to work with the various groups and teams who put so much effort into the life of the parish and I thank them for all that they do for OLOL.

The opportunities that came my way here in East Kilbride widened the pastoral experience of my priesthood through visiting Hairmyres Hospital, Kilbryde Hospice plus the normal routine visits to the sick and housebound and the Care Homes in our parish. Everyone gave such a warm welcome and I found people to be helpful and homely. The Covid months proved a real challenge and limited priestly ministry in the parish but the live-streaming was a real life-line between priest and parish and it was wonderful to hear message after message of appreciation from parishioners and from others further afield. It was thanks to Fr Charles in the first instance for setting this up and then Michael Allan added the quality to sound and picture. And that live-streaming work continues with Eddie and his team.

My thanks to all those who oversaw the organisation of our Readers, Extraordinary Ministers, Altar Servers, Passkeepers, Stewards, Church Cleaners, Stallkeepers, Prayer Groups, Devotional Groups, the Parish Hall and the many other small teams of individuals who came together to add to the quality of faith in OLOL. Also, your incredible support for the local Foodbank really was a putting into practice the teachings of the Gospel. I am very grateful to our two Primary Schools for the ease of access we had to the schools even in the months of restrictions. And to all the staff in the Parish House, especially our Housekeepers - Carol, Mary and Aileen - for putting up with me for the past four years and thanks for helping to make the House a Home!

My thanks to Fr Charles for all the contributions he has made to OLOL over the past two years and for his company in the Parish House. Thanks to Fr Sean for his 'homily' on Friday evening and also for his contribution to the life of OLOL.

Finally, thank you for such a generous Presentation on Friday evening as well as the many personal messages and gifts I have received over the past week or so. Let us pray for each other in the days ahead!



**OUR LADY of LOURDES**

A Parish of the Diocese of Motherwell Scottish Charity No. SC011041

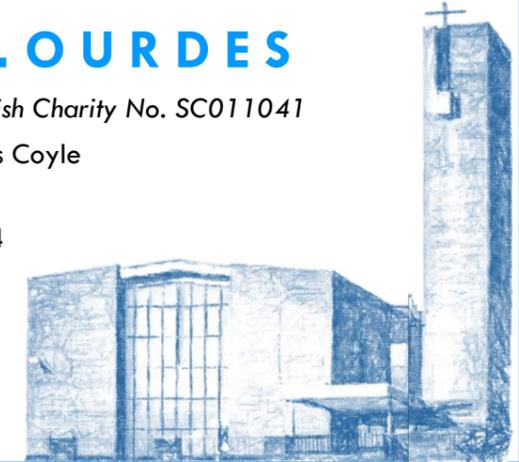
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**The Solemnity of the Assumption of our Blessed Lady**

**15th August 2021**

**TO THE MONSIGNOR FROM THE PARISHIONERS**

As Monsignor Millar leaves Our Lady of Lourdes to take up his new post as a Spiritual Director at St Mary's College, Oscott, the parishioners would like to express heartfelt thanks for his service to them for the past 4 years. His commitment to allowing access to Holy Mass and many other services, in both normal and pandemic times, his talent for presenting and enhancing the liturgy in such a varied way and his dedication to visiting the sick, the housebound and those in hospital have been an inspiration to us all. He has deepened our spiritual lives. May God bless him in his new role; our prayers, best wishes and thanks go with him.

**CESSATION OF STEWARDING**

Please note that after the 11am Mass on Sunday 15 August, all Church stewarding will cease, which is in line with the Scottish Government's and the Bishops Conference notifications.

This will include all weekday Masses, the Saturday Vigil Mass, the 9am and 11am Masses, as well as Weddings, Baptisms and Funerals.

All parishioners and visitors to our Church must place their names and telephone numbers on the sheets in the rear porch. Or use the QR Code facility on the entrance doors of the church.

All the stewards wish to thank all our parishioners and visitors to our Church for their patience during which can only be described as very difficult times.

Many thanks for your understanding and co-operation.



**Sanitise hands**  
on entry to and exit from Church



**Wear a face covering**  
(ideally a mask)

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
**THIS WEEK**

- **Friday** from 9.30am until 9.50am
- **Saturday** between 9.30am and 9.50am
- **Saturday** between 4.30pm until 4.50pm

**A WEE REMINDER**

For Baptisms, Funerals and Weddings, we still require the names of all attending these celebrations plus their contact phone numbers. It would be helpful to have these details in advance, preferably the day beforehand. Thanks for helping us in this regard.

**CHURCH OPENING TIMES THIS WEEK**

The church will be open from 8.00am until 4.00pm or until after the Evening Mass or Service.

**Please remember to sanitise your hands when you arrive at the church and when you are leaving the church. Thank you for keeping to this protocol.**

## ORDINARY TIME - WEEK 20

### YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

#### The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**SUNDAY 15TH AUGUST** (Readings: Revelations 11:19;12:1-6; Psalm 44; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26; Luke 1:39-56)

**9.00am** Holy Mass The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**11.00am** Holy Mass The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary **Also live-streamed**  
**12.30pm** Sacrament of Baptism

**MONDAY 16th AUGUST** (Readings: Judges 2:11-19; Psalm 105; Matthew 19:16-22)

**10.00am** Holy Mass for Monday of Week 20 in Ordinary Time

**TUESDAY 17th AUGUST** (Readings: Judges 6:11-24; Psalm 84; Matthew 19:23-30)

**10.00am** Holy Mass for Tuesday of Week 20 in Ordinary Time  
**6.00pm** Vigil and Reception for the repose of the soul of Thomas McGurn R.I.P.

**WEDNESDAY 18TH AUGUST** (Readings: Judges 9:6-15; Psalm 20; Matthew 20:1-16)

**10.00am** Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of Thomas McGurn R.I.P.

**THURSDAY 19TH AUGUST** (Readings: Judges 11:29-39; Psalm 39; Matthew 22:1-14)

**10.00am** Holy Mass for Thursday of Week 20 in Ordinary Time

**FRIDAY 20TH AUGUST** (Readings: Ruth 1:1.3-6.14-16.22; Psalm 145; Matthew 22:34-40)

#### The Memorial of St Bernard

*Bernard became a Cistercian monk at Citeaux in 1113 and was chosen Abbot of Clairvaux in 1115. His writings reveal a solid grasp of biblical studies, spiritual theology and philosophy. He lived between 1090AD and 1115AD.*

**9.30am** Confessions until 9.50am  
**10.00am** Holy Mass for The Memorial of St Bernard

**SATURDAY 21ST AUGUST** (Readings: Ruth 2:1-3.8-11;413-17; Psalm 127; Matthew 23:1-12)

#### The Memorial of St Pius X

*St Pius X lived between 1835 and 1914. He was Cardinal Patriarch of Venice and elected Pope in 1903. He encouraged pastoral liturgy and sacramental practice, especially of frequent Communion, to which he admitted young children. The Underground Basilica in Lourdes is dedicated to his memory. There is also a statue of him at Carfin Lourdes Grotto depicting him giving Holy Communion to a young boy and girl.*

**9.30am** Confessions until 9.50am  
**10.00am** Holy Mass for The Memorial of St Pius X  
**11.30am** Sacrament of Baptism  
**4.30pm** Confessions until 4.50pm  
**5.00pm** Vigil Mass for Sunday of week 21 in Ordinary Time

**SUNDAY 15TH AUGUST** (Readings: Joshua 24:1-2.15-18; Psalm 33; Ephesians 5:21-32; John 6:60-69)

**9.00am** Holy Mass for Sunday of week 21 in Ordinary Time  
**11.00am** Holy Mass for Sunday of week 21 in Ordinary Time **Also live-streamed**  
**12.30pm** Sacrament of Baptism

#### THE GARDENING CLUB

The Gardening club will meet on Saturday 21st of August at 11.00am to discuss the ongoing management of the gardens. If you are able to give just a little time on a regular basis, please come along and offer your suggestions and ideas!

#### NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE

This year, the National Pilgrimage to Carfin will be on **Sunday 5th September 2021 at 3.00 pm.**

The pilgrimage this year is dedicated to St Joseph.

Further details are displayed on the Poster in the Porch.

Please consider taking part in the National Pilgrimage this year, especially now that we have the opportunity to gather in larger numbers for Mass outdoors. However, it goes without saying, do bring an umbrella or two and perhaps something warm to wear - just in case!

#### ANNUAL VOCATIONS MASS

The Annual Vocations Mass will be on **Thursday 26th August at 7pm** in Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral, Motherwell. We offer you every encouragement to participate in this Mass with our Bishop, Priests, Deacons and Religious to pray as a diocesan family for vocations within the Church in Motherwell Diocese.

#### SSVP

#### FACEBOOK AND TWITTER

The Parish Society of St Vincent De Paul has set up a new Facebook Page. This will hopefully make it easier for people to contact them when they need help. The page can be found by searching for @OLOLSSVP on Facebook.

#### CARE HOMES

With the easing of covid restrictions, we have been able to organise visits to the care homes of our parish once again. Fr Charles celebrated Mass for the Catholic residents of Archibald Kelly Court sheltered housing on Saturday the 14th August. He will also celebrate Mass at Abbey Lodge care home on Thursday 30th of August at 2.30pm.

#### BOOK CLUB

The new book for the club is The Book Thief by Markus Zusak. The next meeting will be Wednesday 25 September at 7.30 in the Oratory. The date will be confirmed nearer the time. If anyone is interested in joining the book club then please feel free to come along to the meeting. For further information, speak to Celie McLaughlin.

#### PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

On Fridays in the church at 1.30pm and concludes with the Chaplet at 3.00pm. All are welcome to gather for these prayers.

#### THE MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP & PRO LIFE PRAYER GROUP

Meetings on Tuesdays after 10.00am Mass with Rosary in the church and Mothers' Prayers afterwards in the Oratory. All welcome.

#### NUNRAW ABBEY GUESTHOUSE

The Guest House will re-open to guests on the afternoon of Friday 20th August 2021. Bookings can be made in the following ways:

Email - [guesthouse@nunrawabbey.com](mailto:guesthouse@nunrawabbey.com)

Telephone - 01620 670096 between the hours of 10am and 11.30am or 2.30pm and 4.30pm.

It is hoped that the Church, Tea Room and Abbey Shop will open before the end of August 2021.

#### WE'RE ALMOST THERE!

From this weekend, the St Vincent de Paul Society will once again take up the reins of Passkeeping - almost 18 months since they had to hand over these duties to our Stewards. We thank our Stewards for all their efforts at keeping us safe and healthy and for the commitment they gave to our parish in quite demanding and unusual circumstances. We thank our SSVP for taking on their role once again. This means that our Offertory Collection will now be taken up at the 'normal' moment of our Masses - after the Prayer of the Faithful and during the singing of the Offertory Hymn. Second Collections, as announced, will be taken up just before the Final Blessing of our Sunday Masses.